

# Beirut Identity.

A competition inviting urbanists, architects and designers to work together in order to rebuild the Beirut community spirit.  
Deadline 15/12/2020

The recent Beirut's port explosion sent a shockwave throughout the city causing widespread destruction and damage to its historical areas. The blast devastated entire neighbourhoods that contained heritage houses co-habiting with undiscovered archaeological layers. The explosion claimed people's lives, and livelihood, misplacing communities away from their familiar spaces; their homes and workplaces. Neighbourhoods, that were full of people, shops and activities, turned into ghost towns and fell into a sad silence, apart from the young Lebanese energy who took to the streets to clean their city.

The competition is inviting urbanists, architects and designers to #designforpeace and to bring back joy, resilience and hope to the Lebanese community by rebuilding Beirut and revitalising its spirit in the following categories:

1. Urban landscape (the streetscape)
2. Architecture (housing and heritage)
3. Design (Product, Graphic and Interior)
4. Food (security, management, circular economy...)
5. Small business

The solutions could be media campaigns, prospective solutions, activity or workshop proposals, research projects, or conceptual urban/design proposals. As long as the idea has a positive impact on the Lebanese community and there is a real understanding and respect to the regional identity and Beirut's spirit.

The winning results will be exhibited on Cumulus digital platform and during the next Cumulus Face-to-Face (post COVID19). Winning concepts may have the opportunity to realise their concepts in collaboration with an NGO in Lebanon.

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