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### Biography

Pinar Aykac is a conservation architect with a MSc in the Conservation of Cultural Heritage from the Middle East Technical University. She holds a PhD entitled 'Musealisation as an Urban Process: The Transformation of Sultanahmet District in Istanbul's Historic Peninsula' from University College London, Bartlett School of Architecture. She was involved in various conservation projects in Turkey including the Presidential Ataturk Museum Pavilion Conservation Project and Commagene-Nemrut Conservation and Development Programme. Her research interests are interpretation and presentation of cultural heritage, museums' role in urban regeneration, urban archaeology and heritage politics. She was a Weinberg Fellow at Columbia University's Italian Academy for Advanced Studies in America during the fall semester of 2017-2018. She is currently an assistant professor in the Department of Architecture at Middle East Technical University.

### Education Information

Post Doctorate, Columbia University, Italian Academy for Advanced Studies, Weinberg Fellowship in Architectural History and Preservation, United States Of America 2017 - 2018

Doctorate, University College London, The Bartlett, School of Architecture, United Kingdom 2012 - 2017

Postgraduate, Middle East Technical University, Faculty of Architecture, Architecture, Turkey 2004 - 2008

### Research Areas

History of Architecture and Restoration, Restoration

### Academic and Administrative Experience

Vice Dean, Middle East Technical University, Faculty of Architecture, 2023 - Continues

Uygulama ve Araştırma Merkezi Yönetim Kurulu Üyesi, Middle East Technical University, Presidency Office, TAÇDAM - Centre for Research and Assessment of Historical Environment, 2020 - Continues

Erasmus Program Department Coordinator, Middle East Technical University, Faculty of Architecture, Department of Architecture, 2019 - 2023

## Courses

Relationship between Museums and Heritage Places, Postgraduate, 2020 - 2021  
From Research to Publication, Postgraduate, 2020 - 2021  
Design in Architectural Conservation, Postgraduate, 2019 - 2020  
Principles of Cultural Heritage Conservation, Undergraduate, 2019 - 2020  
Interpretation and Presentation of Heritage Places, Undergraduate, 2018 - 2019  
Urban Conservation Planning, Undergraduate, 2019 - 2020

## Advising Theses

Aykaç Leidholm P., Principles and Strategies for the Conservation of a Heritage Place at the Forefront of the Population Exchange: The Case of the Krom Valley (Yağlıdere Village) in Gümüşhane, Postgraduate, M.Ayça(Student), Continues  
Aykaç Leidholm P., Critical Assessment of the Interpretation and Presentation of Göbeklitepe World Heritage Site in the Audio-Visual Media, Postgraduate, F.Kuş(Student), Continues  
Aykaç Leidholm P., Assessing the transformation process of traditional houses in Ankara into museums through adaptive reuse, Postgraduate, T.VARLI(Student), 2023  
Aykaç Leidholm P., A framework for identifying and assessing values attributed by stakeholders as a basis for conservation process: The case of Hazzopulo Passage, İstanbul, Postgraduate, N.YILDIZ(Student), 2023  
Aykaç Leidholm P., Developing conservation principles for the adaptation of modern heritage to contemporary life: Maliye Evleri in Ankara, Postgraduate, K.EKİZ(Student), 2023  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., Assessing the impact of heritage-led urban regeneration projects on the historic city center of Antakya, Postgraduate, P.NEMATI(Student), 2022  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., Conservation of modern residential heritage: Developing principles and proposals for 'Merbank Houses' in Ankara, Postgraduate, M.SÖZEN(Student), 2022  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., Assessment of values attributed by stakeholders as a basis for collaborative conservation of Güvenpark, Ankara, Postgraduate, S.ELASLAN(Student), 2022  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., Conservation of modern housing buildings: Early Republican row apartment-blocks in Ulus, Ankara, Postgraduate, İ.GENÇ(Student), 2022

## Designed Lessons

Aykaç Leidholm P., Relationship between Museums and Heritage Places, Postgraduate, 2020 - 2021  
Şahin Güçhan N., Aykaç Leidholm P., From Research to Publication, Postgraduate, 2020 - 2021  
Aykaç Leidholm P., Interpretation and Presentation of Heritage Places, Undergraduate, 2018 - 2019

## Published journal articles indexed by SCI, SSCI, and AHCI

- I. **Absent Presents: musealisation of the historic town of Hasankeyf as a manifestation of 'Absent Heritage'**  
Aykaç Leidholm P.  
JOURNAL OF ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION HISTORIC BUILDINGS, MONUMENTS, PLACES AND LANDSCAPES, vol.0, no.0, pp.1-18, 2023 (AHCI)
- II. **Multiple neo-Ottomanisms in the construction of Turkey's (trans)national heritage: TIKA and a dialectic between foreign and domestic policy**  
Aykaç P.  
TURKISH STUDIES, vol.23, no.3, pp.354-382, 2022 (SSCI)
- III. **Archives as Fields of Heritage-Making in Istanbul's Historic Peninsula**

- Aykac P.  
INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ISLAMIC ARCHITECTURE, vol.9, no.2, pp.361-387, 2020 (AHCI)
- IV. **The Commission for the Preservation of Antiquities and its role in the appropriation of Istanbul's diverse heritage as national heritage (1939-1953)**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
NEW PERSPECTIVES ON TURKEY, vol.62, pp.75-99, 2020 (SSCI)
- V. **Musealization as an Urban Process: The Transformation of the Sultanahmet District in Istanbul's Historic Peninsula**  
Aykac P.  
JOURNAL OF URBAN HISTORY, vol.45, no.6, pp.1246-1272, 2019 (SSCI)
- VI. **Musealisation as a strategy for the reconstruction of an idealised Ottoman past: Istanbul's Sultanahmet district as a 'museum-quarter'**  
Aykac P.  
INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF HERITAGE STUDIES, vol.25, no.2, pp.160-177, 2019 (SSCI)
- VII. **THE ROLE OF PRODUCTION IN SHAPING THE ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER OF AN OTTOMAN SOAP FACTORY IN ANTAKYA (ANTIOCH)**  
RİFAİOĞLU M. N., Aykac P.  
JOURNAL OF ARCHITECTURAL AND PLANNING RESEARCH, vol.35, no.1, pp.25-46, 2018 (SSCI)

## Articles Published in Other Journals

- I. **Bellek, Kolektif Bellek ve Koruma**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
Mimarlık, vol.423, pp.49-52, 2022 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- II. **Kentsel Bağlamda Müzeleşme: Sultanahmet Bölgesi'nin Müze Alanına Dönüşümü**  
Aykaç Leidholm P.  
TÜBA Kültür Envanteri Dergisi, vol.21, pp.145-163, 2020 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- III. **Hasankeyf'te Sona Yaklaşırken: Korumada İnsan Odaklı Yaklaşımlar ve İnsan Hakkı Olarak Kültürel Miras**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., KAYA B.  
Mimarlık, vol.411, pp.12-17, 2020 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)
- IV. **Contesting the Byzantine Past: Four Hagia Sophias as Ideological Battlegrounds of Architectural Conservation in Turkey**  
Aykaç P.  
Heritage and Society, vol.11, no.2, pp.151-178, 2018 (Scopus)
- V. **Kentsel Arkeolojik Alanlarda Tasarım Süreci**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
Mimarlar Odası Dosya, vol.14, no.1, pp.36-42, 2009 (Peer-Reviewed Journal)

## Books & Book Chapters

- I. **Right(s) to Istanbul's Hagia Sophia: Rethinking Heritage as "Commons"**  
Aykaç Leidholm P.  
in: A Shared Global Heritage: Architectural History, Conservation, and Preservation, Barbara Faedda, Editor, Columbia University Press, New York, New York, pp.29-43, 2023
- II. **Sultanahmet, Istanbul's Historic Peninsula: Musealization and Urban Conservation**  
Aykaç Leidholm P.  
Lexington Books, Lanham (MD), USA, Maryland, 2022
- III. **Architectures of Emergency in Turkey: Heritage, Displacement and Catastrophe**

Çaylı E. (Editor), Aykaç Leidholm P. (Editor), Ercan Graham S. (Editor)

I.B.Tauris, London, 2021

- IV. **A Brief History of Conservation and Planning Studies in Tarsus, Turkey and their Impact on Urban Stratification**  
Aykaç Leidholm P.  
in: Topluma Adanmış Bir Yaşam Prof. Dr. Ömür Bakırer Armağanı, Ali Uzay Peker, Neriman Şahin Güçhan, Editor, ODTÜ Basım İşliği, Ankara, pp.137-158, 2021
- V. **The Mutual Construction of Heritage and Emergency: Neo-Ottomanist Heritage Policies in 2010s' Turkey**  
Aykaç Leidholm P.  
in: Architectures of Emergency in Turkey: Heritage, Displacement and Catastrophe, Eray Çaylı, Pınar Aykaç, Sevcan Ercan, Editor, I.B.Tauris, London, pp.21-42, 2021
- VI. **Resmî ve Resmî Olmayan Kültürel Miras Koruma Pratikleri İnkilemindeki İznik ve Trabzon Ayasofyaları**  
Aykaç Leidholm P.  
in: Dünden Bugüne Bugünden Düne: Türkiye'de Kültürel Miras, Kimlik ve Bellek İnşası, Bahar Aykan, Editor, Nobel Yayın Dağıtım, İstanbul, pp.3-34, 2021
- VII. **Yangın Mahali'nden 'Arkeoloji Parkı'na: Sultanahmet Bölgesi'nde Erken Bir Kentsel Arkeolojik Koruma Deneyimi (1912-1953)**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
in: İstanbul'dan Bizans'a Yeniden Keşfin Yolları, 1800-1955, Brigitte Pitarakis', Editor, Pera Müzesi, İstanbul, pp.336-359, 2021
- VIII. **Kommagene sanatında Pers etkisi: Haydaran Kaya Mezarları ve Kaya Anıtı**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., ÖZTEPE E.  
in: Kommagene Nemrut Yönetim Planı, ŞAHİN GÜÇHAN, NERİMAN, Editor, Pozitif Matbaa, Ankara, pp.250-261, 2017
- IX. **Kırsalda bir Nekropol: Atmalı Kaya Mezarları**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., ÖZTEPE E.  
in: Kommagene Nemrut Yönetim Planı, Şahin Güçhan, Neriman, Editor, Pozitif Matbaa, Ankara, pp.329-342, 2017
- X. **Tharse'den Turuş'a: Höyükler ve Kaya Mezarları**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., ÖZTEPE E.  
in: Kommagene Nemrut Yönetim Planı, Şahin Güçhan, Neriman, Editor, Pozitif Matbaa, Ankara, pp.309-328, 2017
- XI. **Kommagene; Toros ve Fırat Arasındaki Tanrılar Ülkesi**  
NAYCI N., TUNA YÜNCÜ Z., KABASAKAL COUTIGNIES S., AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., ÖZÇAKIR Ö., GÜNEY Ö.  
Homer Kitabevi, 2012
- XII. **Design Interventions as Regenerators in Historic Towns Proposals For Ayvalık Historic Depots Region**  
Aykaç P., Rifaioğlu M. N., Bilgin Altınöz A. G., Şahin Güçhan N.  
in: The Urban Project: Architectural Intervention in Urban Areas, Leen van Duin, Roberto Cavallo, François Claessens and Hank Engel, Editor, IOS Press, Amsterdam, pp.24-33, 2008

## Refereed Congress / Symposium Publications in Proceedings

- I. **Self-Organized Actions for the 'Slow and Incremental Adaptation' of Heritage Places: Learning from Pilavoglu Han in Ankara, Turkey . As Found: International Colloquium on Adaptive Reuse (pp.73-74).**  
Hasselt,  
KISAER KOCA E. M., GÖKÇINAR BALKAN P., AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., YILDIRIM ESEN S., ŞAHİN GÜÇHAN N.  
As Found: International Colloquium on Adaptive Reuse (summary pp.73-74), Hasselt, Belgium, 5 - 07 September 2023, vol.1, pp.73-74
- II. **Three Hagia Sophias Between Official and Unofficial Practices of Heritage Preservation**

- Aykaç Leidholm P.  
24th International Congress of Byzantine Studies, Venice, Italy, 22 - 27 August 2022, vol.1, pp.19
- III. **Navigating the Sliding Scales of Uncertainty: Turkey's Neo-Ottomanism as a Heritage Policy**  
Aykaç Leidholm P.  
Cambridge Heritage Symposium, Cambridge, England, 19 - 20 May 2022
- IV. **Absent Presents: Musealisation of Hasankeyf's Historic Monuments**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
Society of Architectural Historians Virtual Conference, Çevrimiçi, United States Of America, 13 April 2021
- V. **Multiple neo-Ottomanisms in the Construction of Turkey's (Trans)national Heritage**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
ACHS 2020 FUTURES – Association of Critical Heritage Studies 5th Biennial Conference, Çevrimiçi, United Kingdom, 26 August 2020, pp.764-765
- VI. **Three Hagia Sophias as Ideological Battlegrounds of Architectural Conservation**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
23rd Symposium of the Comité International Des Études Pré-Ottomanes et Ottomanes (CIEPO), Sofya, Bulgaria, 11 September 2018, pp.43-44
- VII. **National vs. 'other' monuments: The role of the Commission for the Preservation of Antiquities in the institutionalisation of preservation activities in Istanbul**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
Middle East Studies Annual Meeting, Washington, Kiribati, 18 November 2017
- VIII. **Architectural Traces of the 19th century Industrialization: Ayvalık Historic Depots Region**  
ÇAKICI ALP S., AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
Architectural History Conference/ Turkey I, Ankara, Turkey, 20 October 2010, pp.419-432
- IX. **Patron's Final Manifestations: Funerary Architecture in Lycia**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
Spaces/Times/Peoples: Patronage and Architectural History Symposium, Ankara, Turkey, 03 December 2009, pp.25-41
- X. **Assessing the impacts of musealisation on urban form: the Case of Sultanahmet Archaeological Park in Istanbul's Historic Peninsula**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
International Seminar on Urban Form (ISUF), Porto, Portugal, 03 July 2014, vol.2, pp.231
- XI. **Musealisation in the Urban Context: Multiple Narratives of Sultanahmet Archaeological Park in İstanbul's Historic Peninsula**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
The Bartlett PhD Conference, United Kingdom, 15 April 2014, pp.7-8
- XII. **Evaluating Adaptive Re-use of Historic Buildings as Museums through the Selected Cases from Ankara, Turkey**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., ŞAHİN GÜÇHAN N.  
Conservation of Architecture, Urban Areas, Nature & Landscape: Towards a Sustainable Survival of Cultural Landscapes, Proceedings of Heritage 2011 Conference, Amman, Jordan, 14 March 2011, vol.2, pp.381-396
- XIII. **Making the Invisible Visible: Presenting urban archaeology in Tarsus**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
International Conference on Cultural Heritage and New Technologies, Viyana, Austria, 15 November 2010
- XIV. **The Role of Museums in Heritage Conservation in Turkey**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P.  
World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies (WOCMES), Barcelona, Spain, 19 July 2010
- XV. **Tarsus Kenti Tarihsel Katmanlarının Açığa Çıkartılması**  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., BİLGİN ALTINÖZ A. G.  
Mersin Sempozyumu, Turkey, 19 November 2008, vol.1

## Supported Projects

AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., KUŞ F., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Göbeklitepe Dünya Miras Alanının Görsel-İşitsel Medyada Yorumlanması ve Sunumuna İlişkin Eleştirel Değerlendirme, 2023 - Continues  
Bilgin Altınöz A. G., Aykaç Leidholm P., Özçakır Ö., Ergenç Cabanas Rodriguez D., Şahin Güçhan N., Yıldırım Esen S., Rifaioğlu M. N., Pamir H., Türer A., Erberik M. A., et al., Other International Funding Programs, CARE-PACE | Post-Earthquake Damage Assessment, Emergency Response, Conservation, Rehabilitation, and Resilience of Cultural Heritage Assets in Multi-layered City: Antakya, Hatay, 2023 - 2024  
AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., TÜRKFİLİZ M. A., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Nüfusunu Kaybetmiş Bir Kültürel Peyzajın Korunması için Prensipler ve Stratejiler: Gümüşhane Krom Vadisi, 2022 - 2024  
Aykaç Leidholm P., Şahin Güçhan N., Development Agency, Kommagene Nemrut Yönetim Planı 021-02-01-2-00-012, 2021 - 2021

## Activities in Scientific Journals

HERITAGE AND SOCIETY, Committee Member, 2022 - Continues  
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE = ODTÜ MIMARLIK FAKULTESİ DERGIS, Committee Member, 2020 - 2023

## Memberships / Tasks in Scientific Organizations

Society of Architectural Historians, Member, 2021 - Continues, United States Of America  
Association of Critical Heritage Studies, Member, 2020 - Continues, England  
DOCOMOMO- Türkiye, Member, 2020 - Continues, Turkey  
Koruma ve Restorasyon Uzmanları Derneği, Board Member, 2019 - Continues, Turkey  
ICOMOS Türkiye, Member, 2018 - Continues, Turkey

## Scientific Refereeing

JOURNAL OF HISTORICAL SOCIOLOGY, Journal Indexed in SSCI, September 2022  
SMART AND SUSTAINABLE BUILT ENVIRONMENT, Journal Indexed in ESCI, September 2022  
Heritage & Society, Journal Indexed in ESCI, August 2022  
SUSTAINABILITY, Journal Indexed in SSCI, August 2022  
CURATOR-THE MUSEUM JOURNAL, SCI Journal, July 2022  
OPEN HOUSE INTERNATIONAL, Journal Indexed in SSCI, July 2022  
Yıllık, Other Journals, July 2022  
SOUTHEAST EUROPEAN AND BLACK SEA STUDIES, Journal Indexed in SSCI, July 2022  
GRİD - ARCHİTECTURE, PLANNİNG AND DESİGN JOURNAL (ONLINE), National Scientific Refreed Journal, May 2022  
MEGARON DERGİSİ, National Scientific Refreed Journal, May 2022  
SAGE OPEN, Journal Indexed in SSCI, March 2022  
SAGE OPEN, Journal Indexed in SSCI, February 2022  
SUSTAINABILITY, Journal Indexed in SSCI, December 2021  
HERITAGE, Journal Indexed in ESCI, October 2021  
NEW PERSPECTIVES ON TURKEY, Journal Indexed in SSCI, September 2021  
ATMOSPHERE, Journal Indexed in SCI-E, May 2021  
ART-SANAT, National Scientific Refreed Journal, May 2021  
INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF HERITAGE STUDIES, Journal Indexed in SSCI, January 2021  
HERITAGE & SOCIETY, Journal Indexed in ESCI, January 2021

METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, November 2020  
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, September 2020  
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, August 2020  
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, May 2020  
INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF HERITAGE STUDIES, Journal Indexed in SSCI, March 2020  
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, September 2019  
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, May 2019  
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METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, June 2018  
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, May 2017  
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, Journal Indexed in AHCI, September 2016

## Tasks In Event Organizations

Aykaç Leidholm P., 18 May Museums Day Events: Museum-Archaeology-Arts, Social Activities, Ankara, Turkey, Mayıs 2022  
Aykaç Leidholm P., 'Architecture and Endurance' | European Architectural History Network (EAHN) Thematic Conference, Scientific Congress, Ankara, Turkey, Ekim 2021  
Aykaç Leidholm P., METU Archaeology Museum Talks: Archaeology- Museum – Conservation, Social Activities, Ankara, Turkey, Haziran 2021  
Aykaç Leidholm P., Türkiye Kentsel Morfoloji Araştırma Ağı 3. Sempozyumu, Scientific Congress, Ankara, Turkey, Mayıs 2021  
Okumuş G., AYKAÇ LEIDHOLM P., DÜNDEMİN BUGÜNE KORUMA TOPLANTISI II: 2004'TEN GÜNÜMÜZE ANKARA KENT MERKEZİNDE KORUMA PROJE VE UYGULAMALARI, Scientific Congress, Ankara, Turkey, Kasım 2020

## Metrics

Publication: 39  
Citation (WoS): 15  
Citation (Scopus): 8  
H-Index (WoS): 2  
H-Index (Scopus): 2

## Congress and Symposium Activities

7. Kent Araştırmaları Kongresi, Panelists, Ankara, Turkey, 2022  
VEKAM Yerel Bellek Sertifika Programı, Invited Speaker, Ankara, Turkey, 2022  
Modern Heritage Agenda of Turkey - 2020, Panelists, Ankara, Turkey, 2021  
Emre Madran'ın İzinde "Edep Ya Hu" Buluşmaları 7: Tema 2020: Kültürel Miras, Koruma ve Etik, Panelists, Ankara, Turkey, 2020  
Temple – Synagogue – Church – Mosque: Connections, Interactions, and the Politics of Conversion, Invited Speaker, New York, United States Of America, 2019

## Invited Talks

The Hagia Sophia: Religious and political controversies around a World Heritage monument, Conference, Heidelberg University, 50 years of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention: assessment and perspectives, Germany, May 2022  
Columbia GSAPP Preservation Lecture Series, Seminar, Columbia University, United States Of America, April 2019

## **Non Academic Experience**

Columbia University

Atatürk Müze Köşkü Restorasyon Projesi ve Uygulaması