

ART & CONSTRUCTION WITH NATURAL MATERIALS

FULL IMMERSION NELLA TERRA, CHANIA EDITION, Erasmus+ Blended Intensive Programme
Organized by the School of Architecture, Technical University of Crete, Greece.

The School of Architecture of the Technical University of Crete organises two on-line sessions and a 5 day hands-on workshop on earthen art and architecture and sustainable practices, and a guided tour to local earthen architecture.

The BIP Erasmus + program brings together students and faculty members from European universities to explore the creative and sustainable potential of raw earth, wood, and plant-based fibers.

The hands-on workshop will be coordinated by professionals trained at CRAterre and will take place at Bioclimatic and Earthen Design Laboratory, at K4, University Campus Kounoupidiana, Chania (Crete, Greece).

Through online sessions and a five-day in-person workshop, participants will experiment with natural building techniques, earthen plasters, ephemeral constructions, and small-scale installations, connecting sustainable architecture with artistic practice.

Participants will learn to employ earth and other natural materials for arts, crafts and construction.

The program will be conducted in English and offers 4 ECTS.
Subscription Deadline: 5th of June
For subscription fill in the registration form at the following link:
<https://forms.gle/rmckNbbW4Mq59bNY6>

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HANDS-ON WORKSHOP PROGRAM

The five-day hands-on workshop will include:

Day 1: Introduction to building with unfired earth, material testing and familiarization, CARAZAS test

Day 2: Rammed earth construction techniques and formwork systems

Day 3: Construction techniques using earth and plant fibers

Day 4: Earthen plastering techniques

Day 5: Completion of the constructions and guided visits to traditional settlements in the region featuring buildings made with natural materials

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Hands-on Workshop

17 - 21 AUGUST 2026

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Online seminar

10 & 17 JUNE 2026