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Riccardo Vannucci

Curriculum Vitae

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CURRICULUM VITAE

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PRESENT POSITION:

Senior Architect, Founder and Director at FAREstudio [Architecture office and Consultancy firm]
Council Member of BUILDaCHANGE Onlus

KEY QUALIFICATIONS:

30 years experience in architectural design, projects coordination and management, contracts and budgets management, for the new construction or the internal refurbishment of various scale interventions [education, health, tourism, retail, etc.] for prestigious clients, in Italy and abroad.

Strong background as chief consultant for the design, overall projects coordination, procurement, construction and assessment of projects on behalf of FAREstudio for UN agencies, international NGOs and the EU in Sub Saharan Africa [Chad, South Sudan, Central African Republic, Madagascar, Burkina Faso]:

- Senior Project Architect;
- Senior constructions/contracts/tenders/budget manager;

Extensive experience in research and assessment;

Lecturer/speaker during international prestigious conferences [XII Venice Architecture Biennale, Italy; Virserum Museum, Sweden; MAXXI Museo Nazionale delle Arti del XXI secolo, Roma, Italy; Biennale Democrazia, Italy; InArch Lazio, Italy; etc.] and in **various international universities** [Politecnico di Torino, Italy; Melbourne University, Australia; Moratwa University, Sri Lanka; Pavia University, Italy; Polis University, Tirana, Albania; ecc.];

Recipient of prestigious architecture awards [Philippe Rotthier Architecture Special Prize, 2014; Aga Khan Award for Architecture 2010, shortlisted project; Gold Medal For Italian Architecture 2009, Special Mention; World Architecture Festival 2008, Health Category Award winner; etc.];

His articles and projects are published on various international architecture magazines and books [Domus, Il Giornale dell'Architettura, Boundaries, DesignLikeYouGiveADamn II, Azure, Arquitectura viva, etc.]

His projects have been included in various international exhibitions [Italian Pavilion at the XII Venice Architecture Biennale, Italy; Greenlife at Triennale di Milano, Italy; etc.]

Nationality	Italian, Swiss
Date of Birth	May 8, 1958
Languages	**Italian** [native speaker]
	English [C1]
	French [B2]
	Spanish [Basic]

Trained as an architect in Italy, Riccardo Vannucci completed his PhD in Architectural Design Methods at La Sapienza University in Rome. From 1985 to 1995 he worked as an architectural design consultant in Italy, the Middle East and Africa.

After founding the integrated-design structure **deStudio** in 1995 and directing it for ten years, in 2006 he established **FAREstudio**, an award-winning international architectural practice.

Since 2011 he has been leading various international consultancies [design and works supervision and/or research and assessment] that FAREstudio's team has been working on in different developing countries for **UN Agencies, NGOs and the European Union.**

In 2013 he lead a team of FAREstudio's consultants during a 6 months assessment for the European Union Delegation to Chad aimed at including environmental and quality clauses within the tender procedures for constructions and infrastructures financed by the European Commission in Chad.

In 2012 he was behind the foundation of the nonprofit organization **BUILDaCHANGE,** focused on the enhancement of social programs with appropriate architecture.

Since 2013 he is the Local Partner of Australian architecture office **Denton Corker and Marshall** for the construction of the Australian Pavilion at the Venice Biennale of Architecture.

FAREstudio PROFILE

FAREstudio seeks to operate as a professional agency for social architecture, focused on identifying and facilitating built environment action aimed at ameliorating the conditions of underserved communities.

To this end, FARE pursues a concrete and material approach to architecture, an objective rendered explicit in the name of the office – For an Architecture of REality.

The connection with reality does not imply neutral adhesion to established techniques and solutions, be they economic, programmatic or constructive. For FAREstudio, a critical analysis of the premises of each project [context, final objectives, restrictions] constitutes the foundation of a method by which the unavoidable physical dimension of building must imbue typological and functional innovation, together with the even more essential acceptance that construction carries social responsibility.

FAREstudio attempts to balance ethical commitment and professional sustainability by focusing on integrating design solutions with technical innovations appropriate to specific social and climatic environments, particularly within developing countries. FAREstudio received the Health Category Award at the 2008 World Architecture Festival; it has been included in the Italian Pavilion at the 12th Venice Biennale, and was selected as finalist for the Aga Khan Award 2010 Cycle.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

1997	Doctor of Philosophy, Faculty of Architecture, University 'La Sapienza', Rome_Italy.
1985	Registered Architect [8105], Ordine degli Architetti, Paesaggisti e Conservatori della Provincia di Roma [Architect Registration Board] n°8105
1984	MS Degree in Architecture, Faculty of Architecture, University 'La Sapienza', Rome_Italy

EDUCATION AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

1994-1997	PhD in Architectural Design, Faculty of Architecture, University 'La Sapienza', Rome_Italy; Final dissertation: *A Possible Order: Design of Complexity and Complexity of Design.*
1995-1996	Italian National Research Council [CNR] Grant Program: *Technical Coordination in Design.*
1987-1988	Australian-European Postgraduate Research Study Program; University of New South Wales, Sydney_Australia; *Public housing and indigenous housing in Australia.*
1978-1984	Bachelor in Architecture, Faculty of Architecture, University 'La Sapienza', Rome_Italy; Final design thesis: *Large urban infill in Trastevere, Rome.*

SUMMARY OF PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2006 to date	**FAREstudio Architects,** Rome_Italy, Director, Partner and Co-Founder
2011-2014	**FAO**_Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN, on behalf of FAREstudio
2012	**INTERSOS** Humanitarian Organization, on behalf of FAREstudio
2013	**DELEGATION of the EU COMMISSION to Chad**/ON du FED, on behalf of FAREstudio
2006	**AIDOS** [Associazioine Italiana Donne per lo Sviluppo], on behalf of FAREstudio
1996-2005	**deStudio srl,** Engineering Firm, Rome_Italy, Director, Partner and Co-Founder
1985-1995	**Studio Valle Progettazioni,** Rome_Italy, Contract architect and design consultant

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Selected projects

2012-2014 **LOCAL PARTNER** of award winning Australian architecture office DCM for the construction of the new Australian pavilion at Venice biennale (Giardini della Biennale)
Venice, ITALY: Location (16 months contract)
Organization: **DCM_Denton, Corker and Marshall Architects**
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant, consultancy team coordinator: Overall coordination of local engineering and construction team, liaison with DCM Australian office, management of local suppliers and supervision of the technical adaptation of the architecture project to local standards, regulations, engineering modifications, etc.

2013 **TENDERS/PROJECTS/BUILDINGS ASSESSMENT AND PREPARATION OF GUIDELINES /TOOLS /RECOMMENDATIONS** [10ème FED_Fond Européen de Développement
N'Djamena and other towns, CHAD: Location (2 weeks mission) + Rome, ITALY: Duty Station (6 months contract)
Organization: **ON du FED/ DUE** [Ordonnateur National du FED [Tchad], Délégation de l'Union Européenne au Tchad]
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant, consultancy team coordinator:
PHASE I_Assessment and global quality evaluation of EU funded constructions in Chad [projects, buildings, tender procedures, consultants selection criteria, works supervision, coordination and monitoring strategies, etc.]: data and documents collection and analysis, interviews with stakeholders, analysis of building sector and local regulations, site visits of completed and under construction buildings, etc.
PHASE II_Preparation of set of recommendations/suggestions aimed at improving the global quality [project's appropriateness, building quality, environmental efficiency, process efficiency, etc.] of future constructions to be realized in the frame of FED programs in Chad.

2013 **DESIGN AND TESTING OF SUMMERIZATION KIT PROTOTYPE** in Zaatari refugee camp for 25.000 prefabricated shelters for Syrian refugees
Zaatari refugee camp, JORDAN: Location (2 weeks mission)
Organization: **INTERSOS NGO**
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant: Project Architect, concept and final design and on-site testing of a do-it-yourself upper canopy + veranda assembly kit to mitigate shelter internal temperature and offer an external protected space to refugee families

2012-2014 **DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF 60 SANDBAGS CLASSROOMS** in Mbera refugee camp for Malian refugees
Mbera refugee camp, MAURITANIA: Location (20 months contract)
Organization: **INTERSOS NGO**
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant, on-site consultants coordinator: Project Architect, concept and final design of 60 sandbags classrooms (technical drawings, specifications, reports, BoQ, etc), preparation of construction tender dossier, remote construction management.

2012 **CONSTRUCTION AND WASH-RELATED ACTIVITIES, SUPERVISION AND COORDINATION** in Unity State refugee camps and INTERSOS compound, Project 1124, UNHCR, Emergency Refugee Response for Sudanese / PPG: 1SSDA - Refugees in South Sudan
Pariang/Nyeel refugee camps and Bentiu field office, Unity State, SOUTH SUDAN: Location (7 months contract)
Organization: **INTERSOS NGO**

Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant, on-site consultants coordinator: Final design of INTERSOS compound in Nyeel refugee camp; Construction/logistics management of INTERSOS compound in Nyeel refugee camp; WASH activities in Pariang refugee camp [Water, Sanitation and Hygiene]; Refurbishment-related activities management in INTERSOS Bentiu compound.

2011-2014 **PRELIMINARY AND FINAL DESIGN of 850sqm EXPERIMENTAL FARM** in Velletri based on sustainability and low cost solutions
Velletri, Roma, ITALY: Location
Organization: **Private client**
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Designer in Charge: Preliminary and Final design (technical drawings, specifications, reports, BoQ, etc), preparation of construction tender dossier, administrative procedures.

2011-2012 **PRELIMINARY AND FINAL DESIGN, PREPARATION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS, SELECTION AND COORDINATION OF NATIONAL CONSULTANTS, CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT,** Youths Training Center for JPN [Jeunesse Pionnière Nationale], Bossangoa, CAR, Peace Building Fund Funding through the FAO, project UNJP/CAF/001/PBF [terminated for civil war outbreak]
Bossangoa, CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC: Location (90+30 days contract)
Organization: **FAO** [Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations]
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant, consultancy team coordinator: Project Architect, Preliminary and Final design (technical drawings, specifications, reports, BoQ, etc), preparation of construction tender dossier, liaison with FAO HQ coordinators, preparation of ToRs for national consultants, follow up and remote management.

2011-2014 **PRELIMINARY AND FINAL DESIGN, PREPARATION OF TENDER DOCUMENTS, SELECTION AND COORDINATION OF NATIONAL CONSULTANTS:** construction of a 900sqm Pesticides storage complex for CNA (Centre National Antiacridien), UTF/MAG/082/MAG: Emergency Support to the Locust Campaign 2013/14 in response to the locust plague in Madagascar (supplies and related services)
Tulear, MADAGASCAR: Location + Rome, ITALY: Duty Station (90+30 days contract)
Organization: **FAO** [Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations]
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant, consultancy team coordinator: Project Architect, Preliminary and Final design (technical drawings, specifications, reports, BoQ, etc), preparation of construction tender dossier, liaison with FAO HQ coordinators, preparation of ToRs for national consultants (resident engineer, site survey contractor, geological survey contractor) , follow up and remote management;

2011 **FEASIBILITY STUDY AND PRELIMINARY DESIGN,** FAO Headquarters refurbishment in N'Djamena, United States of America funding through the FAO, project OSRO/CHD/006/USA
N'Djamena, CHAD: Location + Roma, Italy: Duty station (80 days contract)
Organization: **FAO** [Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations]
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant, on-site consultant coordinator: Project Architect, Feasibility assessment for the refurbishment of FAO HQ [data collection about locally available materials and technologies, preliminary site survey, contractors selection, etc.]; Preliminary project design for the refurbishment of FAO HQ

2011 **INTERIOR DESIGN, PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PROJECT, SUPERVISION OF THE WORKS,** IFAD Headquarters Loan Signing Room, Executive floor
Roma, ITALY: Location
Organization: **IFAD** [International Fund for Agricultural Development]
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Designer in charge: Project Architect, Preliminary and final interior project design

2009 **INTERIOR DESIGN, PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PROJECT, SUPERVISION OF THE WORKS,** IFAD Headquarters Lobby and Executive floor
Roma, ITALY: Location
Organization: **IFAD** [International Fund for Agricultural Development]
Consultancy Firm: deStudio S.r.l.
Designer in charge: Project Architect, Preliminary and final interior project design

2006-2008 **PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PROJECT,** podium block and 25 floor tower for the Dubai Municipality New Headquarters, extension of the existing Dubai Municipality premises including new offices for the Municipality and office spaces for rent [terminated]
Dubai, UAE: Location
Organization: **Al Hashemi Planners, Architects, Engineers**
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Designer in charge: Project Architect, Preliminary and final project design

2006-2007 **CONCEPT, PRELIMINARY AND FINAL DESIGN,** 1600sqm Community health center [CBF] in Sector 27 of Ouagadougou, Private Donor [Partito dei Democratici di Sinistra] and European Commission
Ouagadougou, BURKINA FASO: Location
Organization: **AIDOS** [Associazione Italiana Donne per lo Sviluppo]
Consultancy Firm: FAREstudio
Senior Consultant, on-site consultant coordinator: Project Architect, Preliminary and Final design (technical drawings, specifications, reports, BoQ, etc), preparation of construction tender dossier, follow up and remote management.

SELECTED COMPETITIONS

2014 **FAO Iraqi Conference Room,** Rome_Italy, Concept design of a new conference multipurpose room sponsored by Iraqi government to be realized inside FAO HQ building in Rome, FAO_Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, Expression of interest, Consultant, Terminated

2010 **Single family dwelling,** Luanda_Angola, A single family dwelling radically cheap to build for Luanda, with the possibility of allowing for evolutionary solutions, and possibly self-construction, Lisbon Architecture Triennale 2010, Open design competition, Designer in charge, Project

2008 **Design for the Children-Pediatric Health Clinic,** East Africa, From the request for a prototypical solution for health facility that is expanded in time to a set of guidelines that are intended for unskilled operators, Fight for the Children, Architecture for Humanity, American Institute of Architects, Open design competition, Designer in charge, Shortlisted project

2007 **Ras Al Khor Bird Sanctuary Visitor Centre,** Dubai_UAE, Along Dubai's Creek, a building that combines educational facilities and entertainment, Al Hashemi Planners, Architects, Engineers, Open design competition, Sub-consultant, Project

2006 **AIDS Orphanage,** Johannesburg_South Africa, Proposal to be adopted by local consultants as a reference, showing the re-interpretation of local technologies and typologies, ASF London, Archaos, Open design competition, Designer in charge, First Prize

INVITED PUBLIC LECTURES

2014 **Roca London Gallery, London_UK,** World Toilet Day 2014, *BUILDaCHANGE and Progetto Zero,* Riccardo Vannucci [November 19]

2014 **Serbian Pavilion at the Venice Biennale, Venice_Italy,** *Un Finished architecture* [October 25]

2014 **Polis University, Tirana_Albania,** *From mythology to Reality* [October 02]

2013 **Centro PVS_Planning Viable Sustainability with emerging countries**, Experiences and Scenarios, Aula Piccinato Dip. Pianificazione, Design, Tecnologia dell'Architettura, Università Sapienza Roma, *Emerging emergencies* [June 18]

2012 **InArch Lazio Roma,** I Lunedì dell'architettura, *Architettura e cooperazione* [February 20]

2012 **International Winter School I,** Pavia_Italy, *Building sustainable (re)construction innovative design approach for developing countries B.Su.R.,* Università di Pavia [January 21]

2011 **CERSAIE,** Bologna_Italy, *Nuove architetture, architetti di paese emergenti* [September 20]

2011 **MAXXI Museo Nazionale delle Arti del XXI secolo,** Rome_Italy, *Architecture Talks* [July 12]

2011 **Biennale Democrazia,** Turin_Italy, *Architettura per pochi, architettura per tutti* [April 16]

2011 **Virserum Art Museum,** Virserum_Sweden, *Architecture of Necessity* [June 29]

2010 **12th Venice Biennale**_International Architecture Exhibition, Venice_Italy, *Dialoghi Ailati. Progettare etico e solidale*, Petra Dura Laboratorio Italia [November 6]

SYMPOSIA, SEMINARS AND ACADEMIC LECTURES

2014 **University of Kent, Kent School of Architecture, Canterbury_UK,** *FAREstudio, from myth to reality, Riccardo Vannucci* [November 18]

2013 **Polis University, Tirana_Albania,** *For an Architecture of Reality, Riccardo Vannucci, FAREstudio* [September 17]

2013 **University of Moratuwa, Colombo_Sri Lanka**, The University of Melbourne, Melbourne_Australia, *Salt River Dialogues 2013*, Brief Garden, Kalawila, Beruwala, Sri Lanka [August 23-24]

2012 **Architettiamoci,** *FASE [Forum di Architettura Solidale e Ecosostenibile],* Università di Tor Vergata [November 15]

2011 **The University of Melbourne, Melbourne_Australia,** *The Reluctant Master - A Symposium to honour the life and work of Romaldo Giurgola* [August 20]

2011 **University of Westminster, London_UK,** *An integrated system of education for the built environment* [May 20]

2011 **UNICAM, School of Architecture and Design, Ascoli Piceno_Italy,** *FARE in Africa. For an Architecture of Reality* [April 15]

EXHIBITIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC EVENTS

2014 **Triennale di Milano,** Milan_Italy, *AFRICA Big Change Big Chance,* [October 15-December 28]

2012 **Associazione Italiana di Architettura e Critica_presS/Tfactory,** Selinunte_Italy, *Needs_Architetture per la cooperazione*, Cortile del Liceo Classico [March]

2010 **Italian Pavilion Selection, 12th Venice Biennale**_International Architecture Exhibition, Venice_Italy [August 29-November 21]

2010 **Triennale di Milano,** Milan_Italy, *Green life: costruire città sostenibili* [February 9-March 9]

2009 **Attraversamenti,** Biennale diffusa di architettura contemporanea; Palazzo Lucarini Contemporary, Spoleto_Italy [September 24-27]

2008 **XXIII UIA Congress of Architecture,** Lingotto Congress Centre, Turin_Italy, *Slum[e]Scape: A challenge for sustainable development projects* [June 29-July 3]

AWARDS

2014 **Philippe Rotthier Architecture Prize 2014,** Special Prize

2010 **Aga Khan Award 2010 Cycle**; Aga Khan Foundation, Geneva_Switzerland – Finalist

2010 **Zumtobel Group Award for Sustainability and Humanity in the Built Environment;** Zumtobel Group, Dornbirn_Austria – Built Environment Category Honorable Mention

2009 **Barbara Cappochin International Biennal Architecture Prize;** Barbara Cappochin Foundation, Padova_Italy – Honorable Mention, Best project for the 'Public Architecture' category

2009 **International Architecture Award;** The Chicago Athenaeum, Museum of Architecture and Design, The European Center for Architecture Art Design and Urban Studies, Chicago_USA – Winner with the CBF project

2009 **Gold Medal for Italian Architecture;** Triennale, Milan_Italy – Special Mention

2008 **World Architecture Festival;** CCIB, Barcelona_Spain –Winner Health Category with the CBF project

2006 **AIDS Orphanage,** Johannesburg_South Africa, ASF London, Archaos, Olifantsfontein Community, Architectural Competition, First place

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Professional publications

2013 VANNUCCI R.- Capacity-building and crisis relief: FAREstudio in Mauritania: a castle of sand? ***Boundaries***, 9 [July-September 2013]: 60-67

2013 VANNUCCI R.-Between utopia and reality. ***Boundaries***, 8 [April-June 2013]: 47

2012 VANNUCCI. R.- Ri_visitati da Riccardo Vannucci. Cinque anni dopo, il CBF in Burkina Faso. ***Il Magazine dell'Architettura,*** 53, il Giornale dell'Architettura [2012]: 7

2008 VANNUCCI, R.– FARE in Africa. For women's rights. ***Domus***, 916 [2008]: 111

Books and exhibition catalogues

2011 MOSTAFAVI M., *Aga Khan Award for Architecture 2010* – ***Implicate & Explicate*****,** Lars Mueller, Baden [2011]: 90-97

2010 BERRINI, M., COLONIETTI, A. – ***GREENLIFE, Costruire città sostenibili***. Editrice Compositori, Bologna [2010]: 60-61

2010 ABBATE C., SPINA M., ZEVI A. [eds] – ***Una guida all'architettura frugale*****.** Fondazione Bruno Zevi, Roma [2010]:134-135

2010 MOLINARI L. [ed] – ***Ailati. Riflessi dal futuro*****,** Skira, Milano [2010]: 98-99

2009 PALAZZO LUCARINI CONTEMPORARY – ***Attraversamenti****, edizione 09. Biennale diffusa di architettura contemporanea*. [2009]: 94-95

2009 FEIREISS K., FEIREISS L., [eds] – ***Architecture of Change 2***, Die gestante Verlag, Berlin [2009]:164-167

Project reviews / public press

2011 PICCOLI, C. – Cina India Africa: costruire il futuro. ***La Repubblica,*** 10 Luglio 2011

2009 ZOBARAN, S. – Pelo Bem. ***Casa Vogue*****,** 288 [2009]: 2-3

2009 Comunità_Si può fare rete anche senza internet?. ***D_La Repubblica delle Donne***, 655 [2009]: 33

2008 CHIONNE, R., CHIORINO, C., MILAN, L. – Comunicare l'architettura. ***Specchio, Il Mensile de La Stampa*****,** 573 [2008]: 130-137

Project reviews / professional publications

2013 HENRICUS J.- Salt River Dialogues. ***Architecture Asia,*** 4/2013 [2013] : 32-39

2012 Africa Esencial, Modernindad y tradicion: un viaje por seis geografias. ***Arquitectura Viva*****,** 140 [2012]: 44-45

2012 ARCHITECTURE FOR HUMANITY - **Design Like You Give a Damn [2]:** Building Change from the Ground Up , *Paperback* [2012]: 108-109

2012 PRESTINENZA PUGLISI L.- Collana ItaliArchitettura, Volume 6, **UTET SCIENZE TECNICHE** [2012]

2011 LUIS FÉRNANDEZ-GALIANO (Ed.), **ATLAS Architecture of the 21° Century, Africa and Middle East,** *Fundacion BBVA* [2011]: 96-99.

2010 ROCCA A. – **Architettura low cost low tech**. *Sassi*, Schio [2010]: 156-165

2008 MINERVINI, C. – In the country of the 'barefoot' architects. ***Il Giornale dell'Architettura*,** UIA 2008 special daily edition [July 1, 2008]: 11

2008 PRESTINENZA PUGLISI, L. – Burkina Faso, la mission di FARE: «Qualità con budget al minimo». ***Edilizia e Territorio*** - Progetti e Concorsi, 6 [2008]: 5

2008 TOMBESI, P. – Far di necessità virtù. ***Il Giornale dell'Architettura*,** 62 [2008]: 28

2008 Un prototipo flessibile di autosufficienza idrico-energetica. ***Il Giornale dell'Architettura,*** 62 [2008]: 26-27