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## Assessment of Traditional Housing Design Principles in Relation to Climatic Conditions of Northern Cyprus; Case Studies from Hisarüstü Lefkoşa



ABSTRACT

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Cyprus is one of the largest Islands of the Mediterranean which is different than the others with her traditional architecture. Due to the recent changes in socio-cultural, economical and political conditions of the Island's doesn't give her a chance to grow up in a different way but the given opportunity (which makes her much more beautiful than the others)of the earth and the climate form the built environment and the life style of the living people. The traditional architecture is the answer to this multi-cultural past, climatic conditions and the earth given opportunities to form this beautiful environment.

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