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My research lies on a quest in urban spatial design; An analytical approach in development of design instruments and strategies to create a new balance between conservation and development in an Iranian traditional city.

The aim of my research is to reach strategies for spatial design of old regions of Iranian and this can be done by comparative analytical research focusing on for example Old Iranian cities with a certain level of transformation and bring the different experiences on a higher level of abstraction to be able to transfer those approaches to other situations.

Spatial design and rehabilitating of historic city cores will help the city to function better. The relation between modern and old cities is the same as a body and its hand; if the hand does not work properly, the body will not do its work in a good manner and recovering the hand will improve body's function and if we do not pay attention to the hurt hand, it will make the whole body get ill. Old regions of our cities are struggling with many problems that make these parts unlivable for people. Major problems of old cities are population reduction, emigration growth, shortage of facilities, poverty, social problems and

At this time there is not any special clear policy on how urban planners and designers can solve old regions problems, they just try to marked these parts as historical ones but its critical condition gets worse every day.

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I have started my research from April 2009 at TuDelft University as a quest researcher under the supervision of professor Eric Luiten and I am looking for any funding or scholarship to be able to continue my research and I think this research is worth working and investing because of its original subject which has not been worked before.