

## FIRM PROFILE

MAS is an architecture and design practice based in Istanbul, established in 2018 by Kerim Miskavi. Through an iterative, concept-driven approach, the studio engages in projects of various scales and media ranging from custom-made furniture design to large-scale urban transformations.

MAS continues to develop its local and international architecture projects through all design stages from concept to construction administration and has completed several interior design projects with residential, office and retail programs including NAYA Studio which was selected for Turkish Architecture Yearbook 2020. Projects starting construction in 2021 include a 240-unit midrise residential complex in Mersin, Turkey, an administration building and an industrial complex in Basra, Iraq, and a 60-unit residential tower in Istanbul's business district, Levent.

In addition to its project practice, MAS values the discipline's theoretical framework and aims to engage in the international dialogue via various platforms. The studio's architectural installation titled "Barjeel", inspired by the traditional wind towers of the Gulf, showed at Dubai Design Week 2019. MAS's entry to the National Competition for Erenkoy Medical Health Campus received the Purchasing Award in 2020.

Kerim Miskavi is the design lead of MAS. Kerim received his education from Rice University in Houston, and gained over 5 years of professional experience at award–winning international architecture offices such as SO–IL and Mitchell|Giurgola Architects in New York, USA and Herzog & De Meuron in Basel, Switzerland. Kerim's work as a part of SO–IL has been exhibited in the Chicago Architecture Biennial (2015), Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum Triennale (2015) and published by the New York Times (2015). In 2019, Derya Tezel joined MAS as Managing Director. Derya earned her professional Bachelor of Architecture degree from Illinois Institute of Technology. She gained international experience at JAHN and Perkins+Will in Chicago before returning to Turkey to join Tabanlıoğlu Architects in 2010 where she led many international and large–scale projects for 9 years.

MAS is dedicated to achieving solutions that make a difference through its experience in operating across geographical boundaries, open communication with clients and teamwork as well as a rigorous design process.