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Milena Tasheva-Petrova is an established practicing architect and academic with extensive expertise in spatial planning. She is the Head of the Urban Planning Department at the Faculty of Architecture, University of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy (UACEG) for the 2024–2028 term. She graduated in architecture from UACEG and earned a Master's degree in Urban Planning and Housing Policy from the University of Lincoln (UK). In 2010, she defended her doctoral dissertation titled "Model for Integrated Urban Regeneration," and in 2014, she earned the academic rank of Associate Professor.

Her long-standing research is focused on the relationship between strategic planning and sustainable development, as well as the impact of European policies on spatial planning. In her practice, she applies integrated approaches to urban regeneration, paying special attention to the socio-cultural and governance aspects of urban transformations, the energy efficiency of residential complexes, and the adaptation of cities to climate change.

As an active participant in international academic networks, she is part of the teams for significant European research projects such as URBiNAT, GreenEsteem, 15minES-TATES, and ECHOES. Through these, she tests and implements innovative nature-based solutions aimed at improving health, well-being, and social cohesion in urban environments through co-creation and active community engagement.

Alongside her scientific research, she makes a key contribution to the development of higher education in architecture and urbanism in Bulgaria.



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