DISSERTATION ABSTRACT

Title of dissertation: Maintaining and conveying specific values of urban architecture during expanding the existing Ho Chi Minh City centre

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NEW FINDINGS OF THE DISSERTATION

- Specifying the specific values of urban architecture of the existing Ho Chi Minh City historic centre. The research subject is analyzed in respect of expanded heritage concept, including architectural monuments as well as urban historic areas with their values diversified in terms of urban form and function, public space and architecture building.
- Proposing maintaining and conveying the specific values of urban architecture with four measures as follows: preservation, adaptive improvement, upgrade and renewal. Selecting the best measure is based on evaluating the potentiality of heritage structures and areas.
- The preservation and adaptive improvement measures include technical information and general socioeconomic solutions to realize preservation goals in the context of urban development.
- The upgrade and renewal measures provide appropriate solutions related to architectural and urban design to ensure the modernity will not deteriorate heritage values when it's added to the overall urban space in order to protect historical harmony and continuity in the course of urban development in the existing Ho Chi Minh City centre.
- Putting forward the inheritance and promotion of the values of urban architecture and transferring them to Thu Thiem New Urban Area.
- Utilizing the above findings for typical cases such as improving Sai Gon Pearl Project design quality and analyzing the Detailed Master plan for the Thu Thiem New Urban Area and the existing centre of Ho Chi Minh City.

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