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## **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

# The Afterlife of a Roman Market: the Macellum of Jerash during the Early Islamic Period

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#### **Abstract**

This poster proposal presents a virtual reconstruction of the Islamic structures built over the ancient macellum of Jerash. In the early Byzantine period, the market diversified its uses, abandoning its original function and being repurposed as a dyeing facility. The Islamic period coincided with a series of earthquakes that severely damaged the Roman building, causing the collapse of some parts of the monument. In this context, the space underwent several interventions aimed at keeping the complex in use, with the construction of vaulted chambers, staircases, and a grid-like arrangement of rooms. This poster proposes the first reconstruction of the site during this final phase of occupation and emphasises the possibilities of 3D virtual reconstructions for the dissemination of archaeological heritage. The proposal is part of the COMURB project initiative and provides visual support for the full communication presented at this conference.

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