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Numerous reasons cause people to abandon the space, the building, or the community where they habitually pursue their various activities. These reasons stem from human behavior, disputes among people, or a lack of experience among individuals. In some cases, the reason is nature's strong resistance to human attempts to alter it and to negative behavior that aims at modifying intrinsic environmental features.

Identifying reasons behind the abandonment of places is very important; it helps people to avoid them, and allows for the efficient reuse of such places. This may be achieved through the conception and implementation of new economic or investment policies, through the renovation of an abandoned place and the enhancement of its appearance to use it as a tourist attraction, or even through the permanent destruction of a place, in an appropriate manner that benefits both humans and nature.

This study deals with the reasons behind abandoning places (spaces, buildings and communities). It attempts to identify, collect and classify these reasons in order to determine methods for dealing with forgotten places while also reducing the risk of abandoning additional places.

Research Objectives:

- a. Identifying the reasons behind abandoning / forgetting various places
- b. Classification of these reasons
- c. Presentation of some methods that could be used to revive abandoned places
- d. Submission of recommendations aimed at reducing the risk of abandoning other places