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Mahalakshmi Karnad is an Associate Professor and Landscape Architect with over 22 years of experience in the field of architectural education. She has a Doctor of Philosophy degree and is actively involved in design pedagogy and applied research. Her doctoral research quantified urban ecosystem services, evaluating scenario based ecological planning for urban stormwater management. She emphasizes the importance of novelty, innovation, and ecological design in her teaching and studio projects and incorporates aspects of ecology, environmental issues, site planning, master planning, and climate-responsive strategies in her teaching.

Mahalakshmi has presented papers and given guest lectures on topics related to Sustainable urban stormwater management, Ecological planning, Biocentric approaches in Architecture and Green infrastructure. She has also contributed to manuals and publications on urban horticultural practices.

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