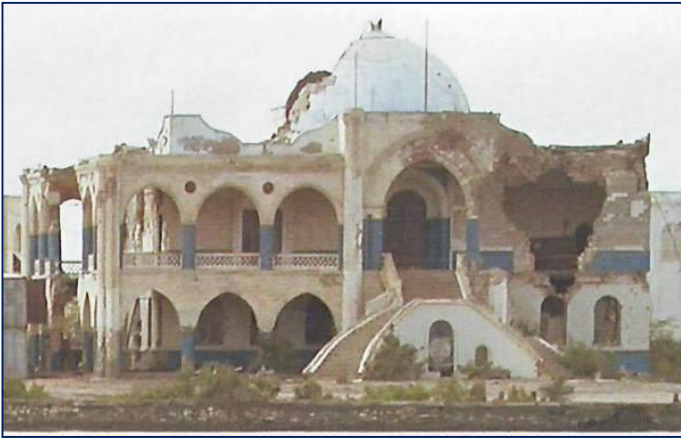


# Architectural Assessment – Imperial Palace Massawa, Eritrea



EDESSA was retained by [Qatari Diar](#) to conduct an architectural and structural evaluation of a historic landmark building known as the Imperial Palace in [Massawa, Eritrea](#).

The palace was built by Werner Munzinger and is one of the oldest (1872-5) and most significant buildings in Eritrea. It is the largest building from the Egyptian period to still exist in Eritrea. During the Ethiopian period, the palace became the summer palace of the Emperor Haile Selassie. It was then renovated and became a museum. The building was heavily bombed during the independence war. It is in significant state of disrepair.