

## Parallel Session 4 – Services & Commercial activities



**Creation of tourism centers** by benefitting from restoring and organizing railway's closed and abandoned stations and buildings



**UIC next station**  
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# Problem Statement

- Old age of railway industry
- Vast interaction between the railways and its surrounding areas
- The influence of developments and commercial purposes
- Many buildings and stations lose their previous activities



# Different Types of Abandoned Buildings in Stations

- Repair and Maintenance Locomotives Industrial Sheds
- Luggage Warehouses
- Residential Houses
- Office Buildings
- Facilities Buildings
- Stations Buildings

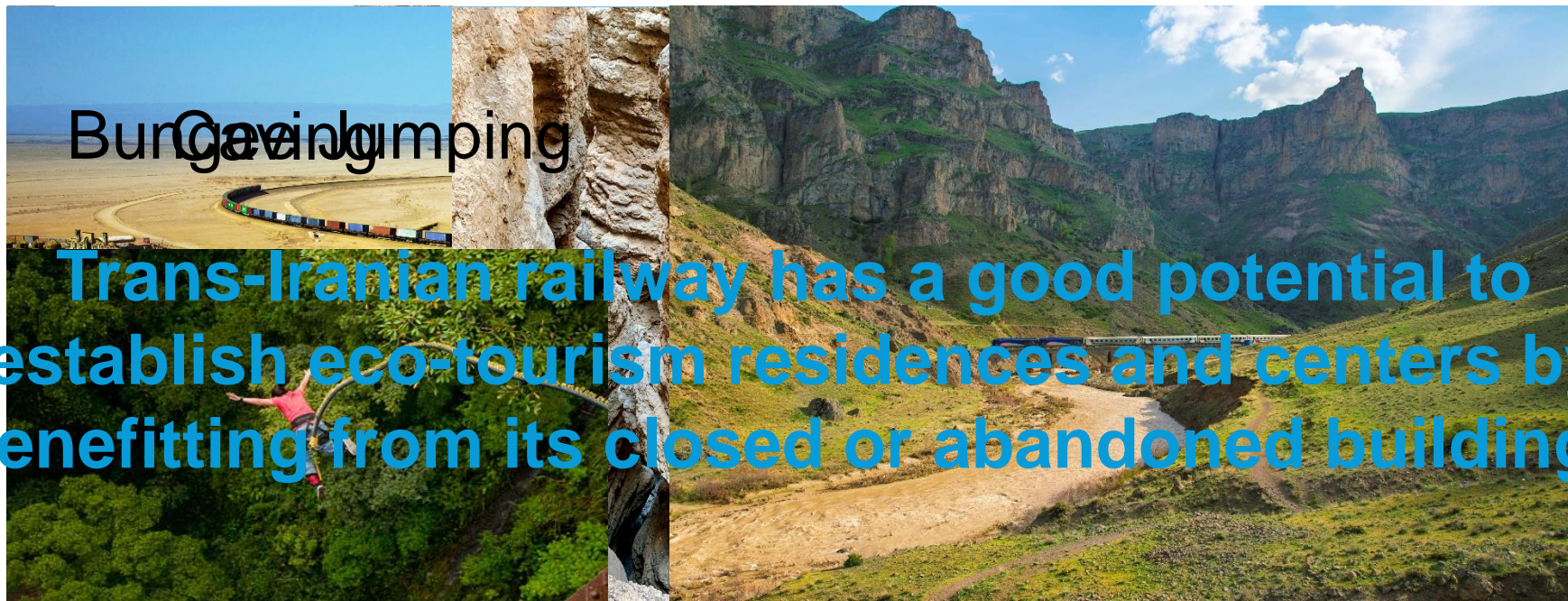








# Potentials of Recreational Activities in TIR



Bungee jumping

Trans-Iranian railway has a good potential to establish eco-tourism residences and centers by benefitting from its closed or abandoned buildings

Trans-Iranian Railway Route





# Different Activities for Restoring and Renovating Abandoned and Closed Buildings at Stations in TIR



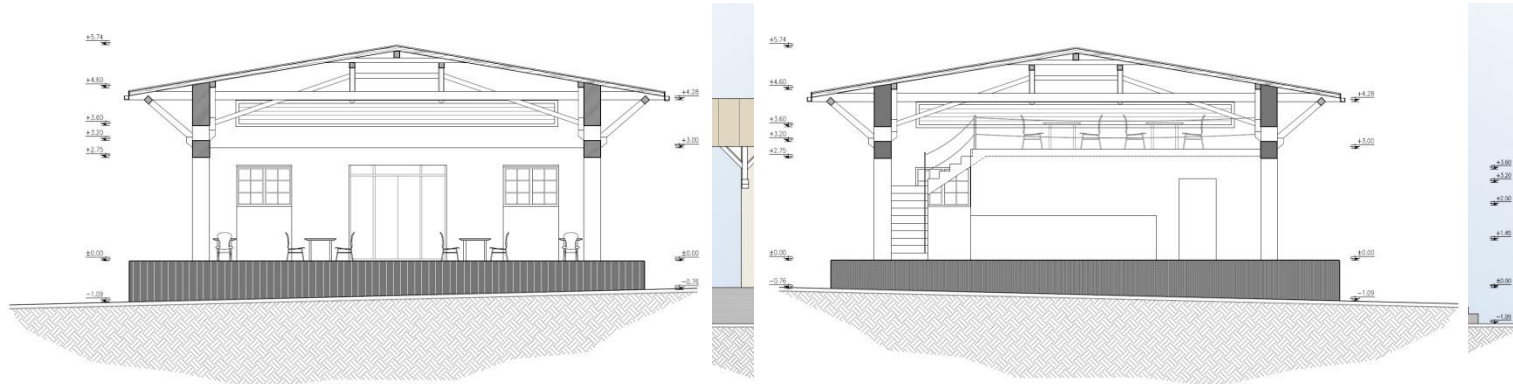
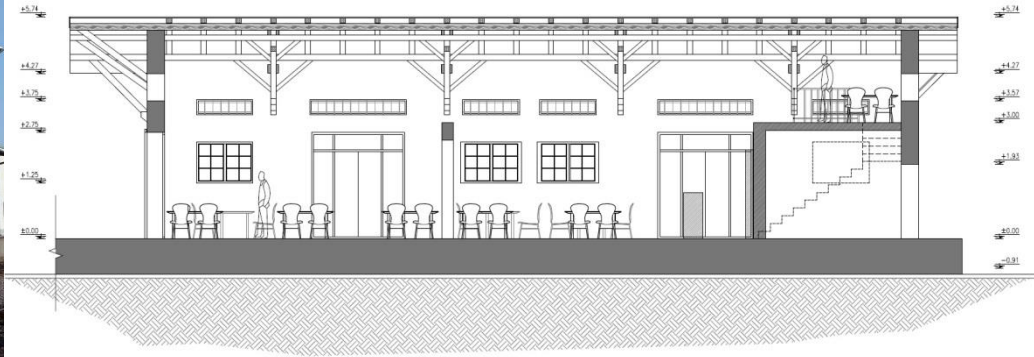
# 1. Some Operated Works for Restoring and Renovating Buildings in TIR



Abolghasem Agha Khan Restoration



## 2. Studies for Identification and Documentation of Station buildings



Luggage Warehouses of Sari Station



### 3. Example of university students studies for buildings at Susa, Sabz-Ab and Haft-Tappeh Stations with respect to their historic value

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# Results

- **Great opportunities for investment** because of vast interaction of railways and its talented surrounding areas
- **Usage of an existing hidden wealth** in closed and abandoned buildings of railways (more than 70 percent of total cost of construction)
- **Great opportunities for tourist attraction in all seasons** due to diversity of climates and ethnicity in the long route of railway is a of the year
- **Boosting cities and villages and creating job opportunities** in a large area of country by attracting tourists
- **Increasing the portion of railways** in benefitting from tourism industry

# Call for Action:

- **Integrating of different activities** for renovating abandoned buildings and stations with emphasis on attracting tourism in the railway
- **Formulating a master plan** for different part of railways route containing tourist attractions and opportunities of investment
- **Attracting and incentivizing creative university students** for creation of different renovating designs and touristic complexes
- **Presenting investors the unknown attractions** around the railways route



**Thank you**  
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