

## **Abstract**

The city of Teruel was founded in 1177 by Alfonso II as a strategic enclave for the Aragonese conquest towards Levante, and it was granted its own jurisdiction. Just before the new Christian town, there is documentary evidence of a minor Muslim settlement in the area, Tirwal, with several theories about its exact location and actual significance.

The sands of time will set its stamp on the morphology and the urban landscape of Teruel, based on its medieval background, but it will still be transformed and adapted, where a complex image will be generated as a result and legacy of History, the memory of a community and a witness of the many cultures who lived there. The devastation during the fateful civil war (1936-1939) will erase a great part of the city's past. Therefore, the purpose of this paper is to study, recover and re-evaluate Teruel's urban heritage up to the aforementioned date, by drawing up an updated graphic and mainly cartographic documentation that allows a correct interpretation of the city's history. These graphic materials are therefore presented not only as a source of data, but also as a means of dissemination of the obtained data.

In order to address such an extensive time range, this research is structured in by three periods. These are mapped out by historical milestones of significance for the urban evolution of Teruel and are matched with three ages of History: Middle Ages, Modern period and Contemporary period, up to 1939 in this research.