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SOLIDARITY WITH JAPAN



The International Union of Architects wishes to express its sincere condolences to the victims of the recent earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan last March 11th. In a message issued on 14 March, Louise Cox conveyed the UIA's solidarity with the people and architects of Japan.

The organisers of Tokyo 2011 are continuing preparations for the congress despite the tragedy. The congress theme, DESIGN 2050, is an invitation to build a better future and an opportunity for the world's architects to join their Japanese colleagues in a global and responsible reflection on architectural design for tomorrow.

Read the message from Louise Cox

http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/england/News/2_Japan.html

UIA CONGRESS
TOKYO 2011
25-28 September



STUDENTS CREATING THE FUTURE

An ideas competition proposing four thematic urban planning projects around Tokyo is open to students of architecture from around the world. A scientific city, a port city, a garden city, or a smart city; four exciting opportunities for future architects to let their ideas flow. The **deadline for registration and submission of projects has been extended until 27 April 2011.**

http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/england/2050_Ideas/2-annonce.html

YOUNG ARCHITECTS AND STUDENTS JAMBOREE

Beginning on 10 April 2011, architects under 30 years of age and students of architecture can sign up to participate in the student jamboree organised within the framework of the Tokyo congress. This international workshop will take place at the Olympic Memorial Youth Center on 22 – 29 September 2011. Participants will work together and present their visions of the future to the congress.

More information

<http://www.uia2011tokyo.com/en/callfor/#program03>

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

THYSSENKRUPP ELEVATOR INTERNATIONAL PRIZE

This year's competition gives the world's architects a chance to design a **centre for disaster prevention and education in the city of Istanbul, Turkey.** Registrations must be made before **28 April 2011**, and the deadline for project submission is 30 September. The 1st prize winner will receive 100 000 US\$, 2nd prize 50 000 US\$, 3rd prize 20 000 US\$.

More information

<http://www.thyssenkrupp-elevator-architecture.com/concurso.aspx>

UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA**VIRTUAL CELEBRATION OF ARCHITECTURE**

On **10 to 16 April 2011**, the **American Institute of Architects (AIA)** will celebrate architecture week with its various state chapters, spotlighting **the positive contribution architects make to the community**. The AIA will organise virtual events on its **Facebook** page, **YouTube** channel, and **Foursquare**. A different theme will be developed each day on the various media: **revitalising communities, building a school, social housing, sustainable development, architecture for all, heritage, the future of the profession**.

<http://www.aia.org/practicing/AIAB087829?dvid=&recspec=AIAB087829>

2011 CONVENTION

From **12 to 14 May 2011**, **New Orleans** will host the **American Institute of Architects** annual convention. Debates will focus on the double revolution of **regional design** and **ecology**, two vital questions in contemporary architecture.

<http://www.aiaconvention.com/>

ISRAEL



Horizontal skyscraper in Shenzhen. Steven Holl architect

ARCHITECT DAYS IN TEL AVIV

On **4 and 5 May 2011**, the **Israeli Association of United Architects** will host two days dedicated to the architectural profession in Israel on the theme **Redefining the city in the 2050 perspective**. Three major exhibitions on urban planning will open in the presence of President **Shimon Peres**: **Depth of field**; **Uncertain borders**; and **Urban space in 2011, which directions?**. A series of conferences will be given by prominent Israeli and foreign architects, with American architect **Steven Holl** delivering the closing speech. Young architects will have a strong say in these events within the **Pecha Kucha**, conversations and debates on projects organised over two evenings. The **UIA** supports these events and will be represented by **Albert Dubler**, **UIA Vice-President**.

<http://www.isra-arch.org.il/Hebrew/>

ISRAEL

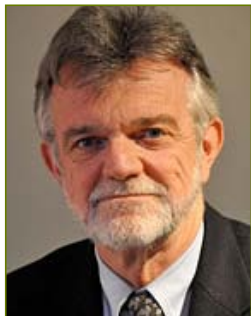
BARUCH BARUCH - PRESIDENT

Architect **Baruch Baruch** was elected president of the **Israeli Association of United Architects**. A graduate of the faculty of architecture and engineering at Technion Technology Institute, **Baruch Baruch** practices in Haifa where he is a partner in the **Baruch-Salamon studio**. He is one of the founders of the **Wizo Design Academy** in Haifa and chairs its department of architecture.

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CANADA

**STUART HOWARD INSTALLED AS PRESIDENT OF ARCHITECTURE CANADA**

The new president of the Board of Directors of **Architecture Canada**, Stuart Howard, has been in independent practice in Vancouver since 1977, where his studio conceives various programmes, in particular residential buildings and the restoration and rehabilitation of historic edifices.

In his president's message, Stuart Howard states that "There will be **challenges in the years ahead for the industry, for the profession, and for everyone involved in the built environment**. Economic challenges, sustainability challenges, viability of the profession challenges, and other issues that will certainly crop up, but Architecture Canada I RAIC will be working to help solve those challenges, because **Architecture Matters**".

http://www.raic.org/index_e.htm

BALTIC COUNTRIES

LATVIA WILL CHAIR BAUA

The **Baltic Architects Unions Association (BAUA)** is chaired in turn by the presidents of the three member countries: **Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania**. Latvian architect **Juris Poga** will serve as its president for the 2011 – 2014 period.

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TURKEY

**UIA REGION II MEETING**

The **Turkish Chamber of Architects** will host a meeting of UIA Region II Member Section presidents in Istanbul on 18 June 2011. The meeting will be chaired by UIA Vice-President **Lisa Siola** and will take place immediately following the conference of Baltic states, on 17 June.

Visit the UIA region II website

<http://www.uia-region2.org/>

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SPAIN

**JOAN BUSQUETS AND ORIOL BOHIGAS HONOURED**

The **National Council for Arts and Culture** awarded its prestigious Prize for Culture to architects Joan Busquets and Oriol Bohigas. This honour recognises their career work in architecture and urban planning as well as the cultural influence of their internationally acclaimed works. It is a double honour for **Joan Busquets who has just received the 2011 Erasmus Prize** awarded by the European Union for the design of public spaces in the city.

<http://www.cscae.com/>

PORTUGAL



Leça swimming pool
Photo © epldp.com

TWO WORKS BY ALVARO SIZA LISTED AS NATIONAL ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE

The **Leça swimming pool in Palmeira** and the **Boa Nova tea house in Matosinhos**, designed and realised by architect **Alvaro Siza**, were placed on the list of Portuguese national heritage sites based on their "**scientific and cultural value, authenticity, and unique and exemplary character as places of art and memory**". Both works by Siza were built in 1996 on the Atlantic coast, northwest of Porto.

<http://arquitectos.pt/>

MEXICO



IN MEMORIAM: LORENZO ALDANA ECHEVERRIA

The **Federation of Colleges of Architects of the Mexican Republic (FCARM)** informed us of the recent passing of **Lorenzo Aldana Echeverria**. **President of FCARM until 2010**, he was a fervent advocate of the profession. The UIA addresses its sincere condolences to his family, friends, and colleagues. It is doubly sad as UIA officers were with him during Cop 16 Forum in Cancun.

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UNITED KINGDOM



ADOLF LOOS SEASON

The work of Czech architect **Adolf Loos (1870-1933)** is on display in the **exhibition halls at the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)** for a series of events that will make up the **Adolf Loos Season**. Two exhibitions will be open **until 3 May 2011**: **Learning to Dwell**, **Adolf Loos in the Czech Lands**; and **Saving Loos: The Unknown Legacy of the British Architectural Library**. A number of talks and parallel events are also being organised.

Complete information on the RIBA website

<http://www.architecture.com/>

IRELAND



ANNUAL IRISH ARCHITECTURE REVIEW

The **Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland (RIAI)** has published a collection of realisations by Irish architects around the world in recent years. The album opens with the **Luigi Bocconi University in Milan**, designed and built by **Grafton Architects studio**, and winner of the best world building award for 2008. The twenty-eight works detailed in this collection demonstrate the vitality of modern Irish architecture. The book is entitled **Irish Architecture: The RIAA Annual Review**.

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ARCHITECTURE AND CHILDREN



UIA GOLDEN CUBES

The **international jury** for the Golden Cube awards will meet at the French National Council of Architect's offices in Paris on **15 and 16 April 2011**. These prizes, initiated by the UIA Architecture and children work programme, recognise individuals or organisations that **encourage knowledge of the build environment among the youngest generations**.

The **UIA member sections** were invited to participate in a national pre-selection process, in which several hundred projects were examined. Approximately 20 countries submitted finalists to compete at the international level. The winning projects will be **on display at the UIA Tokyo 2011 congress**, where the prizes will be officially presented to the winners.

More information

<http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/england/Cubes/2Annonce.html>

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ARCHITECTURE AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES



Jean-Marie Tjibaou
Centre. Renzo Piano
architect

A WELL-TEMPERED ENVIRONMENT

On **19 and 20 May 2011**, an international conference on the theme Architecture for a well-tempered environment – the harmony of integrated instruments, will take place in **Rome, Italy**. The event will focus on **new architectural design processes for energy neutral buildings** and the impact of these processes on stylistic and architectural vocabulary.

The conference is jointly organised by Eurosolar-Italy and the UIA work programme ARES - Architecture and renewable energy sources. Eurosolar-Italy President **Francesca Sarotogo** and UIA ARES work programme director **Nikos Fintikakis** will chair the event. **Renzo Piano, Peter Droege, Mario Cucinella** and **Françoise-Hélène Jourda** are among the main architect speakers, along with UIA Vice-President **Albert Dubler**.

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PUBLIC HEALTH



Lehigh Valley Hospital.
Venturi, Scott Brown
and Associates archi-
tects

TOKYO SYMPOSIUM

This UIA work programme will organise an international symposium on **2 and 3 October 2011**, immediately following the UIA congress, at Gakujutsu Sogo Center in **Tokyo**. The meeting will examine the issue of **security and public health** in "**ordinary situations**" and in "**extreme circumstances**". Contributions can be made online to the work programme website until 31 May 2011.

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<http://www.uia-public-health-group.org/>

UN HABITAT

**HABITAT PROFESSIONALS FORUM**

The Habitat Professional's Forum will meet in Nairobi, Kenya, on **12 April 2011**. The forum unites the international organisations representing professions involved in planning. During this meeting the members will finalise the **charter on the role of human settlement professionals in creating a sustainable and equitable future**. This document aims to reinforce global cooperation in the field. The UIA assures the **secretariat for the forum**.

More information on the Forum

<http://www.unhabitat.org/content.asp?typeid=19&catid=594&cid=6886>

EFAP

**BUDAPEST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: EUROPE - DANUBE - WATER**

On **4 – 7 May 2011**, in Budapest, Hungary, the European Forum on Architectural Policies (EFAP) will organise an international conference entitled **Europe – Danube – Water: innovation and sustainability**. This conference is part of the official programme for the **Hungarian presidency of the European Union** as well as the **European strategy for the Danube region**.

European Forum on Architectural Policies

<http://www.efap-fepa.eu/>

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