

25th UIA CONGRESS

**DURBAN 2014: ARCHITECTURE OTHERWISE**

As the Tokyo congress came to a close, the world's architects turned their sights toward Durban, South Africa, for our profession's next global event. **Architecture Otherwise** is the theme that will be both defined and studied in this forum where all points of view will come together, **where all voices can be heard**, without false consensus or announced revelations. Exploring architecture elsewhere, in **other regions, other contexts, other social structures**, through **other practices**; gaining a better understanding of others in order to better understand one's self. In Durban, architects will study the new geography of a world being built, with **other preoccupations, other means of expression**, other representation models. On **3 – 7 August 2014**, at the Durban international conference centre.

Visit the Durban 2014 congress website

<http://www.uia2014durban.org.za/>

INTERNATIONAL
AWARDS**EUROPEAN PRIME PROPERTY AWARD**

The **deadline for submitting projects** to the 2012 edition of the European Prime Property Award is **15 December 2011**.



The award is open to architects and urban planners in collaboration with investors and promoters, and this year's awards will recompense projects realised between 2006 and 2011. The realisations must have a minimum surface area of 5000 m², and may be new constructions or reconversions, situated in a European country. **A total of 30 000 euro in prize money will be awarded:** 1st prize - 15 000 euro, 2nd prize - 10 000 euro, 3rd prize – 5 000 euro.

Information & online registration

www.prime-property-award.com

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INTERNATIONAL
COMPETITIONS**BLUE AWARD FOR SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN**

Students of architecture have **until 1st February 2012** to submit their projects to this international competition for sustainable architectural designs in the following three categories: **urban and regional planning, ecological design**, and building in existing structures. **A total of 20 000 euro will be distributed.** The Award is prizes organised by Vienna Technical University in Austria.



Information

www.blueaward.at

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PHILIPPINES



ARCHITECTURE WEEK

The **United Architects of the Philippines (UAP)** will host the 40th edition of their Architecture Week on **4 – 7 December 2011**, under the theme of architecture and related arts. The Philippine National Commission for Culture and Arts is supporting this programme to encourage the multidisciplinary aspect of the architectural profession and **help the public better understand the challenges and demands architects face.**

www.united-architects.org

Facebook page

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/National-Architecture-Week/188013501280527>

HONG KONG



CLIMATE CHANGE: THE OPPORTUNITIES

The **Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA)** announces a scientific conference dedicated to climate change that will take place on **3 December 2011**, at Hong Kong City University. The conference is entitled: Latest Findings and Policies in China on Climate Change - Challenges and Opportunities. In addition, the Croucher Advanced Study Institute is offering a series of lectures on urban climatology and notably the effects of climate change on urbanism, on **5 – 10 December 2011**, at the Chinese University in Hong Kong.

More information

Hong Kong Climate Change Forum

www.hkccf.org

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INDIA



NEW ARCHITECTURAL TRENDS

The **Indian Institute of Architects (IIA)** will hold its annual convention on **2 & 3 December 2011** in Hyderabad. They expect close to 1500 architects and students to participate in the programme of professional exchange dedicated to new trends and the success of Indian architecture. Architect **Hafeez Contractor** will orchestrate the debates.

www.ii-a-ap.org

SOUTH AFRICA



AWARD 4 SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE

The **South African Institute of Architects** launches the 2012 edition of its biennial prizes to recognise **realisations and actions that favour sustainable architecture**. Participation is open to all members of the institute, who are invited to submit an architectural realisation in service since March 2010, or a programme dedicated to social action. **Deadline for submitting projects: 16 March 2012.**

www.4tmrw.co.za

BALTIC
COUNTRIES**NEW WEBSITE**

In follow up to their stand and presentation at the UIA Tokyo congress, the unions of architects in **Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania** created a new website where they share their **experiences of Tokyo** as well as different aspects of architecture in their countries.

Visit the Baltic architects' website

www.baua-architects.org

NEW
ZEALAND**2012 CONFERENCE**

The **New Zealand Institute of Architects** announces its next conference on **16 – 18 February 2012**, animated by lecturers from South Africa, China, Singapore, Japan, Mexico, India, Australia, and New Zealand. The theme will be **South-East: our place in a new world**, with **Junya Ishigami, Yung Ho Chang, Richard Hassell, Michael Lavery, Gurjit Singh Matharoo, Peter Rich and Paloma Vera**. Early bird discounts are available for registrations made before 16 December 2011.

Visit the conference website

www.nziaconference.co.nz

ARCHITECTURE MEDAL

The highly sought after Architecture Medal discerned by the **New Zealand Institute of Architects** was awarded this year to the **visitors' centre for the Waitomo Glowworm caves** in New Zealand. Designed by **Christopher Kelly**, the structure finds inspiration in the local culture and landscape. Using sustainable and ecologic materials, its rigorous technical detail creates a lyrical spatial composition.

Visit the NZIA website

<http://www.nzia.co.nz>

IRELAND

**ARCHITECTURE WALKING TOURS**

The **Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland** announces the launch of a new website dedicated to architectural **walking tours led by architects and urban planners**. The first tours will visit districts of Dublin: the docks, Georgian architecture, Temple Bar, and the new districts. The project is supported by the Irish government as part of a programme to promote architecture for the 2009-2011 period.

Walking tours website

www.architecturetours.ie

HONDURAS



EMELDA CANIZALES CASCO - CAH PRESIDENT

Ms Emelda Canizales became president of the **College of Architects of Honduras (CAH)**. Architect and civil engineer, her private practice is dedicated to designing and realising health, education and sports facilities as well as residential complexes. One of the major problems **she plans to confront is uncontrolled urban development**, ensuring that urban master plans are followed and that **architects and the CAH participate in housing plans for the poorest communities**. Emelda Canizales succeeds Dino Rietti.

Read the interview with Emelda Canizales on the CAH website

<http://arquitectoshonduras.org/?cat=9>

SPAIN



2011 SPANISH ARCHITECTURE PRIZE

The **Superior Council of Colleges of Spanish Architects (CSCAE)** awarded its biennial Spanish Architecture Prize to the **Poniente beachfront walkway in Benidorm**, designed by architects **D. Carlos Ferrater i Lambarri and D. Xavier Marti i Gali**. The prize recognises an exemplary creation or rehabilitation realised in Spain by either Spanish or foreign architects.

See a video on the walkway

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fLLGPy1igE>

Visit the CSCAE website

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

AUSTRALIA



INSPIRE

Under the title INSPIRE, the Australian Institute of Architects is publishing a catalogue of the projects recognised by its 2011 architecture awards. Close to 1000 architectural projects, in 8 Australian states, according to 12 categories, as well as the 35 national prize-winners are presented in this prestigious and innovative publication whose design matches the exemplary panorama of contemporary Australian architecture it showcases.

For more information on the INSPIRE catalogue

<http://www.architecture.com.au/i-cms?page=1.64.34.15164.18705>

COSTA RICA



A GREEN BIENNIAL

The Costa Rica College of Architects announces its 11th international architecture biennial dedicated to sustainability, ecology and the environment. The biennials are a showcase for realisations, practices and architectural solutions that encourage balance and protection of our planet. The biennial will take place on **23 – 25 April 2012**; contributions must be sent in digital format before 8 March 2012. Participation is open to professionals from around the world.

<http://www.colegiodearquitectosdecostarica.com/bienal.html>

ARCASIA

ARCASIA, AUA AND MASA WORKING CLOSER TOGETHER

During the UIA congress in Tokyo, **George Kunihiro**, President of the Architect's Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA), signed a cooperation protocol with **Tokunbo Omisore**, President of the **African Union of Architects (AUA)** and **Andrey Bokov**, President of the International Union of Architects' Associations (MASA). These three regional organisations plan to develop their communications and exchange information and experiences regarding professional practice and education.

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FPAA

2012 ARCHITECTURE AND URBAN PLANNING AWARDS

The **Pan-American Federation of Associations of Architects (FPAA)** launches the call for submissions for its 2012 series of prizes for architectural and urban planning projects, as well as its Gold Medal, awarded to an architect from one of the FPAA member countries. The **deadline for registering candidatures is 22 February 2012**. Prizes will be awarded to the winners during the Pan-American architects' congress in Maceio, Brazil, in November 2012.

More information on the prizes

http://www.fpaa-arquitectos.org/noticias/premios_fpaa_2012_lanzamiento_de_la_convocatoria

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