

INTERNATIONAL  
COMPETITIONS**2012 VELUX AWARD**

The **deadline for registration** in this international competition open to students of architecture around the world is **1st March 2012**. The VELUX awards was created to showcase the use of daylight and sunlight as a natural source of lighting and energy in innovative architectural designs. The general theme for the prizes is *The Light of Tomorrow*. Projects must be submitted in electronic format before 7 May 2012. The following architects will make up the international jury: **Alvaro Siza**, Portugal; **Brigitte Shim**, Canada; **Bijoy Jain**, India; **Peter Stutchbury**, Australia - representing UIA; **Per Arnold Andersen**, representing VELUX.

**More information - registration**

<http://iva.velux.com>

**DYNAMISM IN OFFICE BUILDINGS OF THE FUTURE**

The **Chamber of Architects of Turkey** and its Antalya branch have launched the fourth edition of their prize for young architects.



The prize recognises the winning projects in an international ideas competition on office buildings of the future. These structures should evoke the speed, energy and movement of new communication technologies in these spaces where they are both omnipresent and inescapable. The **deadline for registration and project submission is 26 March 2012**. Former UIA Vice President **Lisa Siola** will represent the Union on the jury.

**More information**

[http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/england/2012\\_Antalya/2-annonce.html](http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/england/2012_Antalya/2-annonce.html)

**REDESIGNING THE ROBERT SCHUMAN ROUNDABOUT IN BRUSSELS**

The *Bruxelles-Capitale* region and the Belgian Federal Government launched an international competition on invitation to redesign the Robert Schuman roundabout and the surrounding areas, a strategic space in the Belgian capital.



The winning project was submitted by the **Xaveer de Geyter studio** in Brussels with **Michel Desvigne**, **Ney 1 Partners** and **Tritel**. They jury applauded the strength, elegance, clarity and simplicity of the design, that gives a true identity to this space.

**More information**

<http://www.oneschuman.eu/home>

UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA■ **JEFF POTTER - AIA PRESIDENT**

Jeff Potter was inaugurated as president of the **American Institute of Architects (AIA)** in January 2012 at the Library of Congress in Washington DC. He previously served as president of the Texas Society of Architects. He has private studios in Dallas and Longview Texas, and his offices have received a number of prizes for educational and commercial structures as well as urban planning projects. He has been very active in favour of young architects and students of architecture. **His ambition as AIA president is to trace a sustainable future for the next generation of architects.**

<http://www.aia.org/practicing/AIAB092081?dvid=&recspec=AIAB092081>

UNITED STATES  
OF AMERICA■ **ALBERT DUBLER RECEIVES THE AIA PRESIDENT'S MEDAL**

UIA President **Albert Dubler** will be presented with the AIA President's Medal during the American Institute of Architects' next annual convention in Washington DC, in May 2012. With this distinction the AIA president traditionally honours the president of a professional organisation outside the United States, **in recognition of fruitful collaboration** between the two organisations. The distinction also seeks to **enlarge the dialogue on professional practice and its relationship to the environment.**

[www.aia.org](http://www.aia.org)

## P.R. OF CHINA

■ **CHE SHUJIAN – ASC PRESIDENT**

During its general assembly in Beijing on 13 December 2011, the **Architectural Society of China (ASC)** elected the members of its council, that will be chaired by President Che Shujian for four years. He **succeeds Song Chunhua** as ASC president. An academic forum on how to **build confidence and prosperity in architectural culture** was held following the general assembly.

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UNITED  
KINGDOM■ **RIBA HONOURS 7 FOREIGN ARCHITECTS**

Each year, the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) awards the title of International Fellow to non-British architects who have made a significant contribution to architecture. The 2012 recipients of the title are Atelier Bow-Wow: **Momoyo Kaijima** and **Yoshiharu Tsukamoto**, Japan; **Carlos Ferrater** Office of Architecture in Barcelona (OAB), Spain; **Sou Fujimoto**, Japan; **Anna Heringer**, Germany/Austria; **Christian Kerez**, Switzerland; **Francisco Mangado**, Spain.

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

## SPAIN

**SPANISH ARCHITECTS AROUND THE WORLD**

In an effort to promote and develop international projects by Spanish architects, the **Superior Council of Spanish Colleges of Architects (CSCAE)** is creating a database of works or actions realised by Spanish architects around the world.

Information by e-mail at the following address

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## CROATIA

**UHA PRIZES**

In December 2011, the Croatian Association of Architects (UHA), met in Vikovar and presented its annual prizes in presence of the city's mayor, Zeljko Szabo, and UHA president **Hrabak Hrvoje**. The Viktor Kovacic prize was awarded to professor **Ivan Crnkovic** for his career work. The Viktor Kovacic prize for the best-built structure recognised the **Lone Hotel in Rovinj, realised by 3LHD architects**. The Neven Segvic prize for criticism and theory in architecture and urban planning was awarded to the book by **Marina Bagaric** about architect Ignjat Fischer. The Bernardo Bernard award for interior architecture recognised **Alenka Gacic Pojatina, Branko Petkovic, Ana Vlahovic & Morana Krstulovic** for Lauba House in Zagreb, and **Laube Letilović, Iva Letilović & Igor Pedišić** for a temporary exhibition hall in Zadar. The Drago Galic prize for residential architecture in 2011 was awarded to **Tomislav Curkovic and Zoran Zidarić** for a residence in Bijaći, Bosnia-Herzegovina.

More information

<http://www.uha.hr/index.php>

## AUSTRALIA

**SIX INNOVATIVE PRACTICES FOR THE VENICE BIENNALE**

Six examples of innovation in Australian architecture were selected for exhibition at the Venice biennale (29 August – 25 November 2012). Presented by the Australian Institute of Architects and created by Anthony Burke, Gerard Reinmuth and TOKO Design Concept, the exhibition **Formations: New Practices in Australian Architecture** aims to provoke debate about the changing role of architects and the 'formations' in which they practice. The selected projects range from engagement with humanitarian causes to the creation of specialised technology and education networks for advanced material cultures, but they all showcase the wealth of innovation in Australia's architectural community. Among the formations presented is **Healthabitat, designed by Paul Pholeros, Stephan Rainow and Paul Torzillo** to improve the sanitary conditions of indigenous populations in Australia, and **winner of the 2008 UIA – Vassilis Sgoutas Prize**.

More information

<http://www.architecture.com.au/i-cms?page=1.64.34.15164.20173>

**2008 Vassilis Sgoutas Prize**

<http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/england/PRIZE/UIA2008/2sgoutas2008.html>

## BANGLADESH

### EDUCATION, PRACTICE AND ARCHITECTURAL RESEARCH

The Institute of Architects Bangladesh announces an international seminar on education, practice and architectural research in **Dhaka** on **2–4 February 2012**, at the University of Engineering and Technology (BUET). The seminar aims to open a dialogue on **possible orientations for the future** of these fields and **initiatives that showcase architecture as a discipline**.

[www.buet.ac.bd](http://www.buet.ac.bd)

## HONG KONG



### HKIA CELEBRATES 55 YEARS OF EXISTENCE

More than five hundred participants gathered for the international conference entitled *Megalopolis and Architecture*, organised on 5 November 2011, by the **Hong Kong Institute of Architects** as part of the celebrations for its 55th anniversary. The honorary president of the event was **Donald Tsang**, General Director of the HKSAR government. In parallel, 470 students and teachers of architecture animated the Hong Kong architecture weeks (3 October – 4 November). An anniversary ball brought together the actors who contributed to the success and development of Hong Kong since the creation of HKIA in 1956. UIA Immediate Past President **Louise Cox** and current UIA Vice-President for Region IV **Esa Mohamed** represented the UIA at these celebrations.

<http://55th.hkiaconference.net/>

## COSTA RICA



### 11th INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE BIENNIAL

The **College of Architects of Costa Rica** invites architects from around the world to **submit their contributions** for Costa Rica's 11th international architecture biennial **before 8 March 2012**. The biennial aims to showcase architectural realisations, practices and solutions that favour environmental balance and protection.

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

## HUNGARY

### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

On 3 March 2012, Budapest will host an international conference entitled *Simply Architecture*. Organised by the **Hungarian Association of Architects (MESZ)**, the conference will consider whether creation is not more rare and therefore more precious in this uncertain period for the construction sector. With ever more limited resources, architecture has to be more and more respectful and responsible. Will this lead to more simplicity? Should it lead to more simplicity? **Vincze László, Anu Puustinen, Herwig Spiegl, Dan Phillips**, and **Stephan Behnisch** will provide their answers to these questions. UIA President **Albert Dubler** will give the conference's opening remarks.

<http://tervlap.hu/convention>

## ARCASIA

**BALI 2012**

Within the framework of its next biennial congress in Bali, in October 2012, the **Architects' Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA)** has opened a **website dedicated to this congress**. The 2012 congress will search for a new paradigm for architectural heritage in Asian cities.

Visit the site and get ready for Bali!

<http://arcasiabali2012.com/>

**ARCHITECTURE ASIA ONLINE**

ARCHITECTURE ASIA, ARCASIA's official magazine, is now online. To become a reader you simply need to sign up on the magazine's website.

<http://www.architectureasia.co/index.php>

HABITAT  
PROFESSIONALS  
FORUM**NEXT MEETING IN PARIS**

The UIA ensures the secretariat for this forum, chaired by UIA Immediate Past President Louise Cox. The next HPF meeting will take place in Paris on 9 March 2012.

Placed under the auspices of UN-Habitat, the Habitat Professionals Forum (HPF) is a **partnership of non-governmental organisations and international or regional associations of professionals that deal with human settlements**. Its goal is to **encourage responsible and sustainable urban development**.

**More information**

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

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## VILLES-MONDES

**ARCHITECTS TALK ABOUT THEIR CITIES**

In the *Villes-Mondes – World Cities* show on the French radio station *France Culture* contemporary artists and creators open up the territories of their city for an exploration between past and future. In each two-hour documentary, the unique sounds of a world – city in the dawn of the 21st century are presented. A new documentary is broadcast weekly.

On **April 8th**, the show will feature **Port Louis, Mauritius**, including an interview with UIA Past President **Gaëtan Siew**. Other architects are also featured in this series of documentaries.

**Every Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.**, interview from 3:30 to 3:50

Consult the programme and archives

<http://www.franceculture.fr/emission-villes-mondes>

ACTIONS  
WITHOUT BORDERS**WITH OR WITHOUT A ROOF OVER THEIR HEADS - EXHIBITION**

Until 8 April 2012, the Ministry of Public Works in Madrid, Spain, is hosting an exhibition entitled "With or without a roof over their heads", which looks at precarious housing and slums in Latin America. The exhibition is the fruit of **collaboration between the UIA work programme Actions without borders and the Iberian-American Federation of Urban Planners.**

Hall José Luis Sert. Galería Arquería Nuevos Ministerios  
Paseo de la Castellana, 67. Madrid

## PUBLIC HEALTH

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN OSLO**

The next seminar by the UIA Public Health work programme will take place in Oslo, Norway, on **24 March 2012**, in conjunction with the Norwegian Architects Forum for Health Care Building and the Norwegian Hospital and Healthcare Association. The conference will discuss how to maintain quality health care in this era of financial difficulties and cost-control. The seminar is part of the 3-day international conference on health care facilities that will take place on 22-24 March, under the general theme: New Ideas for Planning and Building Hospitals: flexibility, quality, energy performance. Participants must **register before 23 February 2012**. Tours of the Oslo and Akershus university hospitals are scheduled as part of the programme.

**More information**

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

**Registration and contact**

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