



2014 UIA PRIZES: WINNERS

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The UIA prizes honour professionals whose merits, talents or actions have made an international impact in specific sectors of architectural practice.

The jury for the 2014 UIA prizes was comprised of the UIA Bureau members and met in Melbourne, Australia, on 5 May 2014. The winners will be presented with their awards on 6 August, in Durban (South Africa) during the next UIA congress.

British architect, historian and critic Joseph Rykwert is the recipient of the Jean Tschumi Prize, awarded for education, criticism and the architectural history. An honourable mention was awarded to the Australian couple Haig Beck & Jackie Cooper for their internationally renowned publishing and criticism.

The Seoul Metropolitan Government received the Sir Robert Matthew prize for the Yeongdeungpo Dossouse Town housing renovation pilot project. This award recognizes quality facilities created for communities and their development.

The Fondation architectes de l'urgence and Arquitectos sin Fronteras (Spain) share the Vassilis Sgoutas Prize, which recognises architecture that serves the poorest populations and promotes inventive solutions to the problems of poverty and indigence.

Four honourable mentions were awarded to: Nigerian architect Kunlé Adeyemi for a prototype school designed for waterfront cities in Africa; the Norwegian team TYIN Tegnestue Architects, made up of Yashar Hanstad and Andreas Grøntvedt Gjertsen, who identify themselves as "architects of necessity"; South African architect Carin Smuts, who designs sustainable equipment for marginal communities in the townships; and Australian architect Anna Rubbo, who founded Global Studio in 2005.

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The UIA's web address becomes:

<http://www.uia.archi>



THE ARCHITECTURE OLYMPICS TURN TEN

The UIA Korean section, the Federation of Institutes of Korean Architects (FIKA) has been organising an annual international architecture Olympiad for ten years now, in cooperation with the school of architecture and engineering of Hanyang University, Korea (HYU) and the National University of Singapore (NUS).

Four hundred students from participating high schools attended this tenth edition at the two universities in April 2014, where they were asked to create a three-dimensional model providing an interpretation of the theme during a four-hour workshop. The challenge this year was to imagine what our cities and our society would be like if conventional sleep patterns were replaced by "Dymaxion sleep", conceived by Buckminster Fuller (a concept in which people would take four 30-minute naps per day, alternating with four, six-hour periods of wakefulness, anywhere, anytime).



RIBA PRIZES 2014

The Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) announced the 2014 winners of its annual series of prizes recognising projects built in the United Kingdom. The realisations honoured this year include the Shard by Renzo Piano, the London Aquatics Centre by Zaha Hadid Architects, the Library of Birmingham by Mecanoo and the redevelopment of Kings Cross Station by John McAslan and Partners. Alongside these iconic realisations, many small-scale projects were also honoured, including the Ditchling Museum of Art and Craft, created from a village schoolhouse, and a barn in Sussex by Adam Richards Architects, the conservation of the Porthmeor Artists' studios in St Ives by Long & Kent Architects and a small private house set on a cliff in the Isle of Skye by Dualchas Architects.



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DAVID KAROTKIN PRESIDENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

After chairing the Western Australia chapter for the past three years, David Karotkin has stepped up to serve as national president of the Australian Institute of Architects. He succeeds Paul Berkemeier.



He expressed himself in these terms as he began his mandate: "I'll continue to work with my fellow councillors in implementing strategic initiatives currently in development. I would also like to promote some issues that I am particularly interested in, including mandatory use of architects for the design of certain types of buildings and improved member engagement with the Institute."

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TURKISH ARCHITECTURE PRIZES 2014

The Chamber of Architects of Turkey has organised a biennial programme of awards open to all Turkish architects since 1988, the year which marked the 400th anniversary of the death of Mimar Sinan. The 2014 edition attracted 209 participants, whose works were exhibited in Ankara preceding the jury deliberations.



The Mimar Sinan Grand Prize was awarded to Ersen Gürsel, and three other major prizes went to Ernt A. Egli, İlhan Tekeli, and Besim Cecener. A series of prizes was awarded to realisations and one to projects.

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www.mo.org.tr/ulusalsergi/



THE VENICE BIENNALE GOLDEN LIONS

The board of the Venice International Architecture Biennial chaired by Paolo Baratta and directed this year by Rem Koolhaas has awarded the Golden Lion for lifetime achievement to canadian architect Phyllis Lambert. Rem Koolhaas stated in his speech that "It is not as an architect, but as a client and custodian of architectural heritage that Phyllis Lambert has made a huge contribution to architecture. Without her participation one of the few realizations in the 20th century of perfection on earth – the Seagram Building in New York – would not have happened."



The Golden Lion for National Participation was awarded to the exhibition designed by Cho Min-Suk with Hyungmin Pai, Changmo Ahn, entitled Crow's Eye View: the Korean Peninsula. It offers a comparison between architecture in the two Koreas, divided since 1953, exploring how the different regimes in the North and South have approached and developed urban planning since the war.



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<http://www.labiennale.org/it/architettura/news/07-06.html>



SUMMER ARCHITECTURE UNIVERSITIES

The National Council of the Order of Architects is launching the first summer architecture university. Designed as an open forum for dialogue and brainstorming among professionals, experts and citizens, these sessions are intended to offer architects the chance to participate in a collective approach to developing proposals. The general theme is: "Making towns: housing in question".

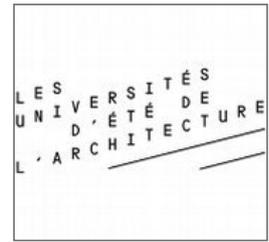
The universities are organized in two stages:

. from 6 June to 15 October 2014, the discussions will take place online on the www.universites-architecture.org website, where all parties are invited to contribute.

. on 16 October 2014, a final closing event to synthesise and debate will be held in Marseille, bringing together several hundred professionals (architects, clients, students, teachers, politicians).

Learn more

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UTOPIA, HAPPINESS AND DREAMS IN YOUR OWN OTHERWHERE

On an initiative from regions I and II, the UIA launched an open, international call for ideas to the architects of the world, as part of the upcoming UIA congress in Durban (3-6 August 2014). The goal was to collect simple and ingenious ideas, dreams or utopias, located and designed for 'otherwhere' and conducive to shared happiness among citizens.

The international jury chaired by Deniz Incedayi, UIA Vice-President, met in Istanbul on 5 June 2014. Its members examined the 33 projects submitted and awarded three prize ex-aequo to: Aristeidis Romanos, Pavlos Aravantinos (Greece); Daniel Screpanti, Piernicola Carlesi (Italy); Corbus Ioana, Gabriela Belcineau, Alexandra Cretu, Amalia Enache, Felicia Militaru, Elena Neagu, Vladimir Nicula, Laura Popa-Florea (Romania). Five honourable mentions were also awarded.

The jury appreciated the creativity of the proposed projects and their ability to deliver a positive message for the future of architecture and urbanism.

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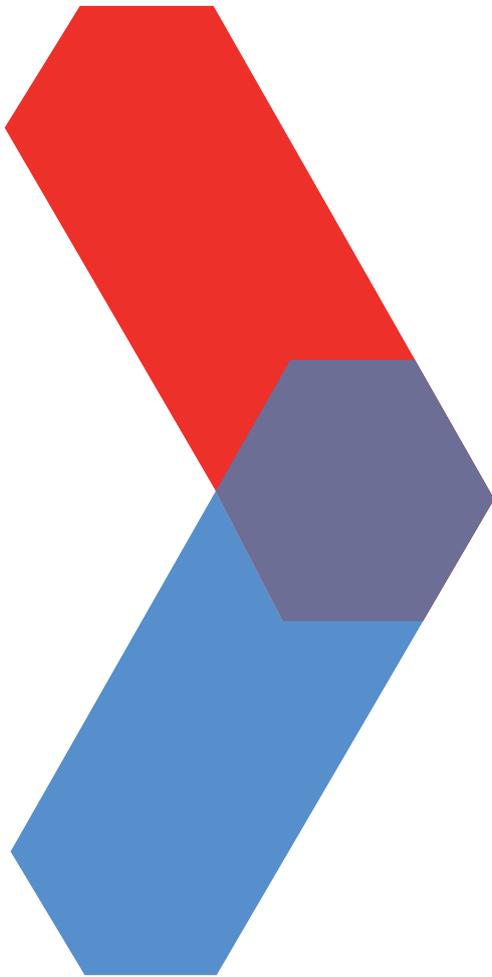


COLLABORATION FPAA - UNGCCP

The Pan-American Federation of Associations of Architects (FPAA) and the United Nations Global Compact Cities Programme (UNGCCP) established a partnership at the seventh World Urban Forum in Medellín, Colombia. UNGCCP is the urban component of the United Nations Global Compact, based on ten principles related to human rights, labour rights, environmental issues and the fight against corruption. Through this partnership, the two entities will pursue common strategies to improve the quality of urban life.

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