ARCHITECTURAL COMPETITION FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION & REHABILITATION OF AL NOURI COMPLEX IN MOSUL, IRAQ

UNESCO with the support of the Government of United Arab Emirates, the Prime Minister of Iraq and the UN Secretary-General, launched on 16 November 2020 an international, single stage, open and anonymous architecture competition for the Reconstruction & Rehabilitation of the Al Nouri Complex in Mosul, Iraq.

The UIA has endorsed the competition, which is part of UNESCO's initiative called “Revive the Spirit of Mosul”, a call for the restoration of one of Iraq’s iconic cities.

For more information

COMPETITIONS & PRIZES ▼
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COMPETITION: UIA-HYP CUP 2020 WINNERS

“OldCity Pacemaker” by Huang Luyao, Wang Jupeng, Liu Jixin and Zheng Xiaoqi under the guidance of advisors Wang Shiliang and Li Jingyi (Wuhan University of Technology, Henan University of Science and Technology, Hebei Engineering University, Quanzhou Normal University in China) has been announced as the winners of UIA-HYP Cup 2020 from among 448 projects submitted to the competition.

Endorsed by the UIA since 2012, the UIA-HYP Cup is organised annually by the School of Architecture at Tianjin University and Urban Environment Design (UED) Magazine with the theme Architecture in Transformation. Each edition is chaired by an internationally renowned architect, who selects its specific focus. This year, Austrian architect Wolf D. Prix selected the topic, “City Puzzle and Puzzle City”.

The international jury also attributed 3 Second Prizes, 8 Third Prizes and 21 Honourable Mentions.

For more information
CHANGE OF DATES: UIA PRIZE FOR INNOVATION IN ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION

Due to the pandemic, the UIA Architectural Education Commission decided to postpone the jury meeting and results of the inaugural edition of the UIA Innovation in Architectural Education Prize. Open to colleges, schools, departments or programmes of architecture worldwide, the Award aims to recognise excellence in architectural and urban design education.

The jury meeting will take place on January 2021 and results will be announced mid-February.

For more information

UIA MEMBER SECTIONS ▼
FRANCE: 2020 PRIZE FOR WOMEN ARCHITECTS

ARVHA, the Association for Research on Cities and Housing, has announced the laureates of the 2020 edition of The Prize for Women Architects. Endorsed by the French National Council of the Order of Architects (CNOA), the prize spotlights the work and careers of women architects. The digital award ceremony of the 8th edition of the award will take place on 9 December 2020.

Find out more

RUSSIA: NIKOLAY SHUMAKOV RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT

Nikolay Shumakov, has been reelected President of the Union of Architects of Russia for the next four years (2020-2024). Shumakov was awarded the State Order of Friendship by the Russian Federation and was twice laureate of the Moscow Prize for his work on the Zhivopisniy bridge and for a series of stations on the lyublinsko-Dmitrovskaya line of the Moscow Metro. Shumakov was also the recipient of the UIA’s 2017 Auguste Perret Prize.

BRAZIL: SÃO PAULO ARCHITECTURE BIENNALE

The 13th edition of the International Architecture Biennale will take place in the city of São Paulo, Brazil from May to July 2022. The call for curators is now launched!

Organised by the Brazilian Institute of Architects (IAB-SP), the central issue is reconstruction. Architects are invited to rethink social projects, processes, spaces and practices during the pandemic of COVID-19 and afterwards, based on five preliminary guiding axes that guide this event: democracy, bodies, information, memory and ecology. All proposals must be submitted by 6 December 2020.

More information
HONG KONG: JAMES HAJIMI KISOSHITA WINS HKIA GOLD MEDAL

The first Gold Medal of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA) has been awarded to architect James Hajimi Kinoshita whose “brilliant & timeless architecture works” in Hong Kong include the Jardine House, Landmark, the AIA Building, Hilton Hotel and Shui Wo Court.

Mr. Kinoshita will give a speech at the reception for HKIA Annual General Meeting on 10 December.

Register here for the HKIA AGM

REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS ▼

ACE: THE NEW EUROPEAN BAUHAUS

Representative European organisations of architects, spatial planners, landscape architects, interior architects, engineers, designers, artists, educators and researchers of the built environment presented a joint statement on the New European Bauhaus. ACE President Georg Pendl has applauded the adoption by the President of the European Commission of the New European Bauhaus initiative. He expressed his hope that the “Renovation wave” referenced by the Commission "be the start of a game-changing policy, as renovation isn’t seen as a technical issue only, but promotes a holistic approach,” which prioritizes design quality.

Read the full statement here

FPAA: NEW PRESIDENT

Following its virtual Congress from 3-8 November 2020, the Pan American Federation of Associations of Architects (FPAA) has elected a new President: Gerardo Montaruli (Argentina). Graduate of the University of Mendoza, Department of architecture and urban planning, Montaruli founded his own firm, Gerardo Montaruli & Asociados, in 1989. He teaches at the National College of Technology on theme of sustainable habitat and has held many positions at FADEA and FPAA. Pablo Moreira (Ecuador) and Aldo Ortega (Mexico) were also elected Secretary General and Coordinator, respectively.

For more information

PARTNER ORGANISATIONS ▼
EMERGENCY ARCHITECTS: AUCTION

The Emergency Architects Foundation is auctioning 53 drawings and photographs in order to finance its construction and renovation operation in Beirut. The five previous editions generated 360,000 €, which were invested, for example, in the construction of 12 schools in the Philippines and 4 maternity wards in Haiti.

The Emergency Architects Foundation won the UIA Vassilis Sgoutas Prize for ingenious and implemented architectural solutions serving the impoverished in 2014.