International Architecture Competition for the Reconstruction & Rehabilitation of the Al Nouri Complex in Mosul

An entry by eight Egyptian architects has been announced as the winner of the international architecture competition for the Reconstruction & Rehabilitation of the Al Nouri Complex in Mosul, Iraq. The UIA-endorsed competition is a major component of UNESCO’s ambitious project for the rehabilitation of the ancient city, Revive the Spirit of Mosul. It has two main components: the Rehabilitation of Al Nouri Mosque Complex and the Reconstruction of Al Nouri Prayer Hall. The competition was organised by UNESCO in close coordination with the Iraqi Ministry of Culture and the Iraqi Sunni Endowment, with the support of the United Arab Emirates.

Selected from among 123 entries, the winning design for a “Courtyards Dialogue”, as the winning project is called, was presented by a team led by Salah El Din Samir Hareedy, with Khaled Farag El-Deeb, Sherif Farag Ebrahim, Tarek Ali Mohamed, Noha Mansour Ryan, Hager Abdel Ghani Gad, Mahmoud Saad Gamal and Yousra Muhamed El-Baha.

The second prize was awarded to a team from India led by Avneesh Tiwari (atArchitecture) and Gurjit Singh Matharoo (Matharoo Associates) with Neha Rane (atArchitecture) and Jain Savi Sanjay Vimmi (Matharoo Associates).

A Spanish team led by Francisco Javier Maroto Ramos (ETSAM. UPM) received third prize. Other team members are Pedro García Martínez, Alberto Palomino Bueno, Maribel Sánchez Fernández, Rocío Sánchez Córcoles, Manuel Albaladejo Garre, Francisco Jesús Aparicio Buendía, and Jonathan Andrés Ríos Armijos.

The 4th and 5th prizes were awarded as follows:

- 4th prize: Wonne Ickx, Carlos Bedoya, Victor Jaime, Abel Perles – PRODUCTORA (USA and Mexico) with Architects: PRODUCTORA + Asli Cicek, Andrea Monroy, Diana Fonseca, Sofia Valdovinos, Ruy Berumen, Ana Reed, Erik Castaneda, Yael Saadia, Diego Velazquez, Pablo Manjarrez, Fidel Fernandez
- 5th prize: Clement Blanchet Architecture (UAE and France) with Clotilde Berrou & Marc Kauffman, Mattia Malavenda, Hellen Almoustafa Christina Chelarescu, Lola Garcia, Philippe Gimet, Fabrice Merizzi, Simon Parilla, Camille Pepin, Romain Ricciotti, Samir Nicolas Saddi, Shantanu Sang, Philippe Sarfatì, Isabelle-Camille Tertrais, Pierre-Mary Thibault, Angelo Trinca, Yves Ubelmann and Patrycja Wyparlo.

The honorary mentions were awarded to:

- Riccardo Renzi with Elena Ceccarelli, Gabriele Marinari, Arch. Virginia Vivona, Diego Betti and Dott. Antonio Ciraci (Italy)
- Leonidas Papalampropoulos with Georgia Syriopoulou, Lampros Papalampropoulos, Alexandros Karageorgos, Natalia Sotirchou and Elena Chrissochoedou (Greece).

The jury report will be published on the competition website.

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