

120th UIA COUNCIL SESSION



UIA Council in front of the Crédit Mutuel headquarters that was made available for the occasion to the UIA by that bank.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE AND THE UIA'S FUTURE

The UIA Council met in Strasbourg, France, on 18 & 19 October, on a joint invitation from the UIA member sections in **Germany, France and Switzerland**.

The major points discussed during this meeting included **how to integrate the UIA recommended international Guidelines for Policy on Architectural Practice in a Host Nation in national codes of ethics** in the UIA member countries; creating indexing and exchange platforms on new professional opportunities related to responsible and ecological architecture to help young architects integrate this sector and access new markets; continuing the **UIA Responsible Architecture Strategy**. Finally, Council planned to **open a debate on the UIA's future** with a first stage comprised of ideas from all 5 regions, scheduled in conjunction with the next Council session in March 2013, in Durban. The UIA Commission on Education and Validation Council met at the Strasbourg School of Architecture on October 20 and 21.

UIA Council meeting took place during the "Twenty-four hours of architecture", a festival of contemporary architecture organised for the first time in Strasbourg

PORTUGAL



UIA IS MADE HONORARY MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF ARCHITECTS OF PORTUGAL

The national council of the Order of Architects of Portugal voted to make the UIA an honorary member of OAP. The official ceremony took place on **29 October 2012, in Lisbon**, as part of the programme to celebrate the **World Day of Architecture**. UIA President **Albert Dubler** accepted the title on behalf of the UIA from OAP President **Joao Belo Rodeia**.

2012 INTERNATIONAL VELUX AWARD



FIRST PRIZE TO CHINESE STUDENTS AT THE ETHZ SCHOOL IN ZURICH

The team composed of Chinese students **Bo Li & Ge Men**, who study at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich (ETHZ), was awarded first prize in the 2012 edition of the International Velux Award for their project entitled "Resonance memory", a metaphor on light, based on the idea of a hypothetical mudflow in the Swiss Alps in which a tiny village is buried.

Students from **Korea, Poland** and the **PR of China** received second and third prizes. Second prize went to **Jeewon Park, Nakyong Kim, Jiyeon Jung, Kimoon Park & Wongyu Yang, Inje University** (Korea). Two, ex-aequo third prizes went to: **Anna Zagorec & Maciej Kozlowski, Politechnika Krakowska** (Poland) and **Qi Xu & Tao Cao, Tongji University** (PR of China). Ten honourable mentions were also awarded to student teams from **Belgium, China, Denmark, Portugal, Romania and Spain**.

Watch the interview with the winners

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xfPtia9EsYU&feature=player_embedded

COLOMBIA

NATIONAL ARCHITECTURE PRIZE



The Colombian Society of Architects awarded its 2012 national architecture prize to the **Flor del Campo educational complex in Cartagena**, designed and built by architects **Felipe Mesa** and **Giancarlo Mazzanti**. The complex is organised like a huge urban tissue where the borders between indoor and outdoor were erased, where ready-built elements fit right in alongside references to local architecture, generating spaces that alternate light and shadow. This prize was presented within the framework of the Colombian Architecture Biennial.

The **Mega Colegio Rodolfo Llinas**, built in Villavicencio by architect **Mauricio Rojas**, received first prize for sustainable architecture.

<http://www.sociedadcolombianadearquitectos.org/site/>

CHILE

JOSE CRUZ OVALLE - NATIONAL ARCHITECTURE PRIZE



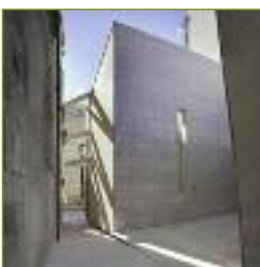
The *Colegio de arquitectos de Chile* awarded its 2012 biennial architecture prize to **José Cruz Ovalle**, considered one of the most eminent Chilean architects and a master at building with wood. Among his most famous works are the Chilean pavillon at the Seville World Fair in 1992, the Explora Hotel in Patagonia (Chile), the Forestal 'Centro Maderas' industrial complex (Chile), short-listed for the first Mies Van der Rohe Latin-American architecture prize, presented at MOMA in New York in 1998), and the Adolfo Ibáñez University campus in Santiago (selected as Best Work during the 4th Iberian-American architecture biennial in 2004).

Watch the video about Adolfo Ibáñez University

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3l69wS-5IRc&feature=relmfu>

ITALY

ITALIAN ARCHITECTURE'S GOLD MEDALISTS ANNOUNCED IN MILAN



Vincenzo Latina, Gae Aulenti, Vittorio Gregotti and Maria Giuseppina Grasse Cannizzo are the winners of this fourth edition of the triennial Italian Architecture Gold Medal. Vincenzo Latina was recognized for his **entry pavillon to the Artemis temple excavations in Syracuse**. The jury noted the dexterity of his intervention in the ruins of an ancient structure and in showing how modern Italian architecture can interact with history. By honouring the work of Gae Aulenti, Vittorio Gregotti and Maria Giuseppina Grasse Cannizzo the jury underlined the **national and international prestige of three exemplary architects who focused the world's attention on Italy's landscapes, cities and streets**.

<http://www.triennale.org/medagliadoro2012/>

CANADA

WELCOMING ARCHITECTS TRAINED ABROAD

The eleven provincial and territorial orders of architects in Canada have launched a programme in favour of **experienced architects trained abroad, who are seeking a license to practice in Canada**. Criteria for acceptance include a diploma and license to work in a foreign country, at least seven years of professional experience as an architect, and at least six months in Canada.

More information

www.cacb-ccca.ca/aeve

SOUTH AFRICA

AFRISAM-SAIA PRIZE FOR SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE

Two rural schools that demonstrate a radical transformation in the design of educational facilities were recognized by this prize, organised by the **South African Institute of Architects** with AfriSam to spotlight sustainable architectural projects in South Africa. The two schools are **Lebone II College** in Phokeng, designed by **Activate Architects and Afritects**, and the **Vele secondary school in Limpopo**, designed by **East Coast Architects**. Both schools utilise innovative technologies and their architectural design guarantees future sustainability.

Watch videos about the prize-winning schools

<http://www.concrete.tv/2012/10/top-honours-at-afrisam-saia-awards-for-rural-school/>

NORDIC COUNTRIES

NORWAY TAKES ITS TURN AS SECRETARIAT FOR THE UIA MEMBER SECTION

The **Norwegian Institute of Architects (NAL)** will serve as secretariat for the UIA Nordic countries member section for the 2013-2015 period. The UIA Nordic section is made up of the following countries and territories: **Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden** and the **Faroe islands**.

<http://www.arkitektur.no/>

RUSSIA

RUSSIA CREATES A CHAMBER OF ARCHITECTS

The **Union of Architects of Russia** held its congress in Moscow on 16 & 17 October 2012. A significant part of the congress was dedicated to **improving legislation on architecture and urban planning within the Federation** and creating the Russian Chamber of Architects, a regulatory body that will register qualified architects and ensure that national and international professional norms are respected. These measures are so many steps on the Russian Federation's path to integration the World Trade Organisation (WTO).

Michel Barmaki attended this congress and met with Russian Federation senators as the Russian parliament adopted the charter to create the chamber of architects.

Andrey Bokov was re-elected as UAR president and also chosen to serve as the Chamber's first president. Michel Barmaki was presented with a medal marking his induction as an honorary member of UAR.



ARCHITECTURE
AND CHILDREN**TEACHING ARCHITECTURE IN HONG KONG SCHOOLS**

The **Hong Kong Institute of Architects** has launched a teaching kit perfectly in line with recommendations edited by the UIA Architecture and Children work programme. The kit is designed to increase sensitivity to architecture and stimulate creativity and critical thinking about the built environment among students in their last years of secondary school. The educational material was developed to complement other disciplines: social sciences, the arts, design, technology, and general culture. This initiative to include architecture in the general educational system also aims to better integrate tomorrow's adults in the Hong Kong community, environment and culture.

Learn more about the teaching kit

<http://minisite.proj.hkedcity.net/hkiakit/eng/aboutus.html>

RESPONSIBLE
ARCHITECTURE
REGION IV**A SUSTAINABLE, ASIAN-PACIFIC APPROACH**

On **8 & 9 November in Manila**, this work programme will participate in a roundtable on sustainable approaches to design and construction, along with a techno forum on sustainability entitled: Working Together to Build a Sustainable Asia. These events are organised with the collaboration of the **United Architects of the Philippines (UAP)**, Philippine Green Building Initiatives, Inc. (PGBI), the **Architects Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA)** and the Philippine Society of Ventilating, Air Conditioning, and Refrigerating Engineers. This year's roundtable will continue discussions from the first three meetings initiated by the **Singapore Institute of Architects (SIA)** and the Singapore Green Building Council (SGBC), with the aim of linking common elements in sustainable approaches to design and construction in countries around the Asia Pacific Rim, in order to achieve a unified direction and strategy to address global warming, climate changes, and sustainability.

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<http://www.united-architects.org/index.php/news-and-events/235-4th-roundtable-discussion-in-manila.html>

ARCHITECTURE
FOR ALL
REGION 1**MEETING IN VIENNA**

The members of this work programme will hold their next meeting in Vienna, Austria, on 7 December 2012. Plans are in the making for a joint seminar on the following day with the newly created "Design for All" work group set up by the Austrian Chamber of Architects.

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BUCAREST

REGION II MEETING

The presidents of UIA member sections in Region II will meet in Bucarest on **November 8 & 9**. The **Order of Architectes of Romania** will host the participants during this meeting, that will be chaired by UIA Region II Vice-President **Deniz Incedayi**.

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ERFURT

**BAUHAUS SOLAR INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS**

On **13 and 14 November 2012**, the city of Erfurt, Germany, will host the fifth edition of the Bauhaus Solar international congress. These events are meant to encourage interprofessional dialogue among architects, urban planners, engineers, technicians and designers who work in the solar energy sector. This **session is dedicated to rehabilitation projects in residential areas and city centres**.

More information

<http://www.bauhaus-solar.com/index.html>

ISTANBUL

**PREMIER DESIGN BIENNIAL**

Until **12 December 2012**, Istanbul is the home of exhibitions and events that explore projects and creations in the realms of architecture, planning, design, fashion, and new media. All are part of the first Design Biennial entitled **Imperfections**. Universities played an active role in organising this biennial and provided an extremely rich educational programme.

<http://istanbuldesignbiennial.iksv.org/istanbul-design-biennial-catalogue-is-out/>

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