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COP 15



READ ABOUT THE UIA AT COP 15 ON THE WEB

The International Union of Architects was among the NGOs that contributed to COP15. Through the voice of **UIA President Louise Cox** during an interview on Climate Change TV, the world's architects assured the delegates of their **determination and their specific professional capacity to contribute to the struggle against climate change**. The **Sustainable by Design declaration** published at COP15 lists 5 goals and 9 strategies that demonstrate how responsible architecture can lead to a significant reduction in the emission of greenhouse gases.

Read the UIA Copenhagen declaration, discover the protagonists, films, interviews, images, and useful links:

http://www.uia-architectes.org/cop15_en.html

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COMPETITION



VELUX 2010: THE LIGHT OF TOMORROW

The fourth session of the International Velux Award, a biennial international competition for students of architecture around the world, on the theme The Light of Tomorrow is underway. Because the construction industry and buildings in general are among the most voracious consumers of energy in our world, and while a global agenda for reducing greenhouse gas emissions is one of society's top priorities, this search to optimise the **use of natural light and solar energy** takes on an even more urgent and important dimension. The **deadline for registration** to participate in this competition is **1st February 2010**.

<http://iva.velux.com>

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION



POLISH HISTORY MUSEUM WINNERS: PACZOWSKI AND FRITSCH

In May 2009, the Polish Minister of Culture and Heritage, **Bogdan Zdrojewski**, launched an open, international competition in two phases to find the design for the Polish History Museum in Warsaw. The museum, covering **20 000 sq. m.**, will be built in the **Jazdow district** near the banks of the Vistula and the vast, prestigious parks that are an integral part of the city's identity.

The jury appreciated the **elegant and minimalist proposal** by the team Paczowski & Fritsch that, without receding into banality, enables a vast flexibility of the space and the possibility for a wide variety of museological installations.

for more information

www.uia-architectes.org

SRI LANKA

**RETHINKING SUSTAINABILITY**

The **Sri Lanka Institute of Architects** will hold its annual conference in Colombo on **15 - 21 February 2010**. The **Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA)** General Assembly and conference will take place on the same occasion on the theme **Architecture: rethinking sustainability**. Students of architecture in the CAA member countries were associated with this event and invited to participate in a competition on the theme of **Memory**. Numerous social activities will be organised in parallel to these key events regarding architecture and the construction industry, at which **Louise Cox** will represent the UIA.

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CYPRUS

UIA REGION II PRESIDENTS' MEETING

The Cyprus Association of Architects and Civil Engineers will host the next meeting of presidents of Member Sections in UIA Region II, in **Limassol, on 12 - 15 March 2010**. This Region brings together countries in Eastern Europe and the Middle East.

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Visit the new UIA Region II website:

<http://www.uia-region2.org>

THAILAND

**UIA REGIONAL FORUM**

On **28 April to 5 May 2010**, the Association of Siamese Architects Under Royal Patronage (ASA) will organise a UIA regional forum in Bangkok on the theme **Equilibrium**. The 2010 UIA Forum will take place in parallel with the Thai Council of Architect's ACT@10 seminar.

Further information on this event will be published in the upcoming editions of the UIA e-newsletter.

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UNITED KINGDOM

RIBA INTERNATIONAL FELLOWS

Ten non-British architects were awarded the title of 'International Fellow' by the Royal Institute of British Architects for their exemplary contribution in the field of architecture. With this title the RIBA honours the work of architects from the five continents: Alejandro Aravena, Chile; Elizabeth Diller and Ricardo Scofidio, USA; Yvonne Farrell and Shelley McNamara, Ireland; Francis Kéré, Burkina Faso; Valerio Ogiati, Switzerland; Paul Robbrecht and Hilde Daem, Belgium; Benedetta Tagliabue, Italy.

<http://www.architecture.com>

SPAIN



JORDI LUDEVID I ANGLADA , CSCAE PRESIDENT

Architect Jordi Ludevid I Anglada was recently elected President of the Superior Council of Associations of Spanish Architects (CSCAE) for the 2010-2013 mandate. He replaces **Carlos Hernandez Pezzi**, at the Superior Council's leading post, with a programme that aims to reinforce the federating aspect of the CSCAE and offer architects **services that will allow them to adapt to the new economic and professional context.**

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

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



GEORGE H. MILLER, 2010 AIA PRESIDENT

George H. Miller succeeds **Marvin J. Malecha** as the AIA President for 2010. He spoke in these terms at his inauguration "The challenges of the 21st century don't fit into old ways of thinking. Architectural design must not be considered a tool, but rather a **collaborative effort that offers opportunities to every participant**: clients, the public, architects, engineers, communities and decision-makers. A partner in the **Pei Cobb Freed & Partners** firm in New York since 1975, he contributed to many of the firms prestigious projects. He served as president of the AIA New York Chapter and directed the AIA committee on communities.

www.aia.org

LUXEMBURG



BOB STROTZ, OAI PRESIDENT

Bob Strotz recently replaced **Martin Lammar** as President of the Order of Architects and Consulting Engineers in Luxembourg. He defines his ambition in these terms: "to improve the collaboration between architects and consulting engineers for coherent and efficient project management, we need to **rediscuss our means of working together**. There are also other themes and goals we need to talk over in common, such as **energy performance**, reforming architectural competitions, and updating architectural and engineering contracts for the public sector."

<http://www.oai.lu/>

FRANCE



PATRICK COLOMBIER, CIAF PRESIDENT

The International Council of French Architects (CIAF), the UIA French Member Section, renewed its officers for the 2009-2010 period during its General Assembly last September by electing a new executive council and new board. The CIAF regroups the **French Order of Architects**, the **National Union of French Architectural Syndicates (UNSFA)**, **THE ARCHITECTURE SYNDICATE** and Consultative Committee of Experts.

<http://www.architectes.org/>

ARCHITECTS' COUNCIL OF EUROPE



SELMA HARRINGTON, ACE PRESIDENT

During its recent General Assembly on 20 and 21 November 2009, the Architects' Council of Europe elected its board members for 2010 - 2011. Selma Harrington, head of the Irish delegation, was elected President.

The other members of the executive board include newly elected representatives, **Lionel Dunet** (France), **Wolfgang Haack** (Germany), **Georg Pendl** (Austria), **David Falla** (United Kingdom) and **Vladimir Petrovic** (Croatia) along with current members, **Jos Leyssens** (Belgium), **Serban Tiganas** (Romania), **Eva Tetenyi** (Hungary), **Dalibor Borak** (Czech Republic) and **Christian Lerche** (Denmark).

<http://www.ace-cae.org>

SURVEY ON THE IMPACT OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS ON THE ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSION

ACE recently launched the third phase of its survey on how the economic crisis is affecting the architectural profession in Europe. This survey allowed ACE to understand and highlight the evolutions of the crisis, and its continued development will allow ACE to identify the first signs of the crisis' end.

consult the survey results:

http://www.ace-cae.org/docs/aceinfo/overview/Third_Econ_Survey_Sept_09.pdf

DOCOMOMO



ANNA TOSTÕES, DOCOMOMO PRESIDENT

Portuguese architect Ana Tostões is the new President of the International committee for the documentation and conservation of buildings, sites and neighbourhoods of the Modern Movement (Docomomo). She succeeds Maristella Casciato at this post. Furthermore, the offices of Docomomo international will be transferred from the *Cité de l'architecture* in Paris to the Mies Van der Rohe Fondation headquarters in Barcelona.

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UMAR

UMAR GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The next General Assembly of the Union of Mediterranean Architects (UMAR) will take place in Alexandria, Egypt, on 3 - 7 March 2010.

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ARES

YE QING WINS DESIGN PRIZE



Chinese architect Ye Qing, member of the UIA work programme on architecture and renewable sources of energy (ARES) was awarded the **Beijing Institute of Architecture** Prize for architectural design during a ceremony commemorating the Institute's 60th anniversary. This prize recognizes the exceptional **energy performance qualities of the new IBR Shenzhen office building**.

ADVENT: 18 EXEMPLARY PROJECTS

Created in 2007, the Advent project's main objective is to encourage better energy performance in the ventilation of non-domestic buildings. Nikos Fintikakis represented the UIA as a specialist consultant in the creation of this project.

Eighteen exemplary realisations were identified in Europe. The **energy performance levels of their ventilation and air-conditioning systems were evaluated** and the descriptions were edited in electronic format. The final document is available for download from the ARES Work Programme's website.

Visit the work programme website

www.uia-ares.tee.gr

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