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Welcome to the September issue of the *ACE Info*

Introduction by Selma Harrington, ACE President



The summer has breezed by and we warm up to autumn activities, mindful of the broader political and economic context in Europe.

The ACE' focus has remained on the communication around the EU Commission's Green paper and public consultation on the modernization of the Professional Qualifications Directive, with the looming deadline of 20<sup>th</sup> September for any further submission. We seek support from our Member organizations directly and through their political representatives to uphold the ACE '5+2' position - five years of university education and two years of practical professional experience leading to registration.

The ACE position was recently presented to the educators from some 120 schools of architecture in Europe, in Chania, Greece at the recent meeting of network of Heads of Schools of Architecture (ENHSA). Having acknowledged the shared views, the ACE is now asking for the coordinated and direct action by the schools at national levels.

The ACE Executive Board has been extremely busy during the summer and we can now look forward to announcing the appointment of the new Secretary General at the General Assembly this November. In the meantime, we can be grateful to the EB members and our Staff who continue to work closely together so that the core work continues uninterrupted despite fewer resources. We hope to continue in good spirit with the strengthened team in the Secretariat in the near future.

I look forward to welcoming you in Brussels at the General Coordination meeting this 15<sup>th</sup> September and at the General Assembly on the 25<sup>th</sup> November.

*This edition is also available in French.*

### EU Green Paper on Modernising the Professional Qualifications Directive



Following the EU Public Consultation on the evaluation of the Professional Qualifications Directive (PQD), the EU Commission launched a Green Paper on the modernisation of the Directive at the end of June 2011. Being an important issue for the architectural profession, the ACE Work Group PQD has been preparing a legislative proposal for the modernisation of the Directive during the summer, inviting all member organisations, ACE correspondents and interested parties to comment the prepared draft. The ACE response has recently been sent to the Commission and is now available on the ACE website. Following the Green

Paper, the EU Commission will organise a high level conference on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2011 and a legislative proposal is foreseen for December 2011.

As it was stated before, the PQD Directive is crucial for architects as it sets the conditions by which migrating professionals in the EU have their qualifications recognised in the country to which they migrate and, for architects, this process is automatic. Maintaining the automatic recognition of qualifications for architects and revising the minimum training requirements are two key objectives of the ACE in its work on this important piece of legislation. To download the ACE Response to EU Green Paper, go to: [http://www.ace-cae.org/public/contents/getdocument/content\\_id/1228](http://www.ace-cae.org/public/contents/getdocument/content_id/1228)

**Source:** European Commission

### New Polish EU Presidency



Since the 1<sup>st</sup> of July Poland has taken over the six months rotating EU Presidency. Taking into account the economic crisis and its impact on enterprises, the Polish Presidency, together with Denmark and Cyprus, which are part of the trio EU Presidency, will accelerate changes in the Single Market to enhance economic growth and build a competitive Europe. To do so, the Presidency will promote the full implementation of the Services Directive and allow enterprises, especially small and medium ones, to reap more benefits from the Single Market. The Presidency will also support the next Framework for EU Research and Innovation and will pay a special attention to its accessibility for SMEs. In the series of event that will take place during the Presidency, an important conference on Sustainable Development will address the green economy and the global institutional framework for sustainable development. To read the full programme of the Polish Presidency of the Council of the European Union, go to:

[http://pl2011.eu/sites/default/files/users/shared/o\\_prezydencja/programme\\_of\\_the\\_polish\\_presidency\\_of\\_the\\_council\\_of\\_the\\_eu.pdf](http://pl2011.eu/sites/default/files/users/shared/o_prezydencja/programme_of_the_polish_presidency_of_the_council_of_the_eu.pdf)

**Source:** Polish Presidency

### Horizon 2020 – New Framework Programme for Research and Innovation



In June 2011, the EU Commissioner for Research and Innovation, Mrs Geoghegan-Quinn, announced the new name of the future EU-funding programme for research and innovation (FP8): *Horizon 2020*. This programme will be introduced post-2013 and will maximise the contribution of EU funded research and innovation to sustainable growth and jobs. It will tackle the grand challenges facing Europe, such as climate change, energy, etc. To visit the Horizon 2020 website, go to:

[http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020/index\\_en.cfm?pg=home](http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020/index_en.cfm?pg=home)

Furthermore, the European Commission decided to inject €7 billion to kick-start innovation through research during the year 2012. It is the European Commission's biggest funding package under the current Seventh Framework Programme for Research (FP7). To read more on this subject, go to: <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/900&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

**Source:** European Commission

## EU Commission Takes Measures to Boost e-Procurement



In July, the EU Commission launched different actions to boost the implementation of e-procurement in the EU. According to the EU Commissioner Mr Barnier, the use of e-procurement by governments and other public sector organisations when buying supplies and services or tendering public works will not simply change paper-based procurement systems to electronic communications. It has the potential to streamline and accelerate public purchasing, benefiting purchasers and suppliers, as well as the European taxpayer. Three measures have been taken. Firstly, the Commission will create a new and informal expert group on e-tendering. Secondly, it is starting to monitor the use of e-procurement across Member States in order to promote best practises. Thirdly, it is publishing the responses to the e-procurement Green Paper on expanding the use of e-procurement. For more information, go to: [http://ec.europa.eu/internal\\_market/publicprocurement/e-procurement/consultations/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/publicprocurement/e-procurement/consultations/index_en.htm)

Source: European Commission

## INSPIRE Standards for the Environment



With the Infrastructure for Spatial Information in Europe (INSPIRE), the European Union is willing to create common standards to make environmental information quickly and easily accessible. With these standards, it will be possible to compare energy consumption of buildings in different countries or calculate how countries reach EU objectives in reducing energy consumption. The proposed standards are now open for public consultation to assess their usability across disciplines and nations. The consultation can be found on the following website: <http://inspire.jrc.ec.europa.eu/index.cfm/pageid/201/consultation/45851>

Source: European Commission

## ACE MATTERS

### ACE is recruiting for the new Secretary General

Following the departure of its Director, Adrian Joyce, the ACE is recruiting for the position of a new Secretary General. The advertisement for the post which was published at the end of June has attracted a significant number of candidates. After the initial screening and short-listing of the candidates, the interviews were held at the end of August and the most suitable candidate for the post has been identified. The ACE is currently completing the process and is expecting to make an announcement at the General Assembly on 25<sup>th</sup> of November this year.

### ACE Exhibition on Sustainable Architecture Travels to Gdansk and Ljubljana!

As we already stated in previous *ACE Info*, the exhibition “ *Sustainable Architecture across Europe* ” organised for the ACE 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2010 is now travelling around Europe. The exhibition showcases 32 of the best examples of sustainable architecture in 25 European countries, displaying the potential of the architects' approach to sustainability. The physical exhibition will be displayed in September in Gdansk during the Conference organised by the Polish Chamber of Architects in the context of the European Forum for Architectural Policies-EFAP. After that, it will be mounted in the Slovenian Parliament in order to promote sustainable architecture at national level. An electronic version of the exhibition will be presented at the UIA Congress in Tokyo in the end of September. Should any Member Organisations of the ACE also wish to have the exhibition in their country, they are asked to contact the ACE Secretariat at: [info@ace-cae.eu](mailto:info@ace-cae.eu)

### RIBA Organises a Series of Conferences

The Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), one of the two member organisations of the ACE in the United Kingdom, announced a series of conferences for professionals that will address key issues for today's architecture. The first conference, entitled “ *Conservation: A Future for the Past?* ”, will take place in Birmingham on 29 September. It will discuss the challenge of adapting, enhancing and securing Britain's considerable legacy of built heritage. For more information, visit RIBA website at: <http://www.architecture.com/WhatsOn/Conferences/RIBAConferences2011/RIBAConferences2011.aspx>

## FAB Prize for Architecture and Energy

The Federation of Royal Societies of Belgian Architects, one of the two Belgian member organisations of the ACE, is organising a prize to spotlight energy efficient architectural realisations in the categories of housing, and public and private facilities. Sixty-six projects were selected to participate in the second phase of judging. All the winning projects will be presented for the first time at the Project Build Fair in Brussels on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> 2011 in conjunction with a conference on energy performance and construction. Final Award Ceremony will take place at the *Palais des Beaux-Arts* in Brussels at the end of October. Complete press release available at the following address (in French only): <http://89.16.161.230:8099/WebO Afr/news/le-prix-belge-pour-larchitecture-lenergie-2011>

## Announcements from Member Organisations

The following Member Organisation has, since the last edition of *ACE Info*, informed the ACE Secretariat about changes in its organisations as follows:

### RIBA – United Kingdom

The Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) announces that Mrs Angela Brady has taken over the two-year presidency from Mrs Ruth Reed on 1 September 2011 as RIBA President.

### SA – France

The Syndicat de l'Architecture announced the composition of its Board for 2011:

- Patrick Colombier, President
- Emmanuelle Colboc, Vice-President
- Sandrine Charnallet, Secretary General
- Patrick Bougeault, Treasurer

## News about the ACE Involvement in EU-Funded Projects

The involvement of the ACE in EU funded research projects allows it to further its policies and to engage with a wide range of stakeholders in the European Union. The ACE is grateful to all architects and other building professionals who have so far expressed their interest in [OPEN HOUSE](#), [SHELTER](#) and [TRAINBUILD](#) projects, offering to share their knowledge and expertise in building sustainability and energy-led renovation. The effort to mobilise the ACE network continues and the contribution of everyone will be highly appreciated. For more information please contact: [eleni.goni@ace-cae.eu](mailto:eleni.goni@ace-cae.eu)

### Open House – FP7 Project



The [OPEN HOUSE](#) project team is working to create an open-source, web-based sustainability assessment tool for all buildings. The first [deliverables](#) of the project are now published. Among those, an assessment of existing methodologies and standards for the sustainability of buildings, a Best Practice Guide on Green Public Procurement, and the Open House baseline model and assessment methodology. The developed Open House baseline model and assessment methodology will be evaluated and refined in the months to come through the execution of particular Case Studies across Europe. The ACE would like to thank all the architects who have answered to the call and nominated buildings for this purpose. A new call for the execution of the selected Case Studies by means of the developed methodology was recently launched. The deadline for the submission of Tenders is the 7<sup>th</sup> of October 2011. The deadline for the nomination of new or in design/ construction phase office buildings to be used as Case Studies has been extended to this date. For more information please visit the [ACE](#) website or the [OPEN HOUSE](#) project website.

### Shelter – An Intelligent Energy Europe Project



The [SHELTER](#) project is bringing together architects, construction enterprises and social housing organisations, in energy renovation projects. The project is linked to [POWERHOUSE EUROPE](#) and has a special community set in [BUILDUP](#). The goal of the project is to implement models of cooperation inspired by integrated design for the energy renovation of social housing. This will ensure long-term gains in costs and time for professionals and social housing organisations in the energy renovation of their building stock. The first report submitted is presenting the existing models of coordination in energy renovation works of six social housing associations in 5 European counties (BE,

BG, FR, IT, UK). The second delivered report identifies weaknesses in the existing schemes and proposes possible alternative models of coordination among professionals that can be applied. Both deliverables are now public documents and can be accessed from the [SHELTER](#) website as well as an embedded page in [POWERHOUSE](#).

### **TrainRebuild – An Intelligent Energy Europe Project**



The [TRAINREBUILD](#) project aims to encourage retrofitting in a wide range of residential buildings, spanning from individual to multi-family houses and from private to social housing. There are two core groups targeted by the TRAINREBUILD project: Property owners associations and Officials from local authorities that are responsible for the retrofit of buildings in some Covenant of Mayors (CoM) cities. At the current phase of the project, training packages and toolkits are prepared for both targeted groups. A draft Toolkit for [Local Authorities](#) is already available for download at the projects' website. The training package for building professionals is due to be completed this autumn, after its already developed draft version is adapted to national, regional and local specifications. Moreover, a BUILDUP Virtual Community on « [Training the Building Chain for Refurbishing](#) » has been set up. This Community is an interactive tool focussed on the topics and target groups of the TRAINREBUILD project. You are invited to join this Community and share your knowledge and expertise. An important event, in the context of the European Forum on Training & Skills for Re-“Building” will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October, in Brussels. For more information, please visit the projects' website in the following link: [www.trainrebuild.eu](http://www.trainrebuild.eu)

### **The ACE at External Events**

*The ACE is frequently represented by its President, Members of its Executive Board, Chairmen of Work Groups and/or the Secretariat at external events and conferences. These activities often go unnoticed, but are very important to the pursuit of the policies of the ACE. Readers who wish to know more about these activities can access the reports, prepared after the events, in the calendar of external representations maintained on the website of the ACE at the following address:*

<http://www.ace-cae.org/MemberN/Content/EN/mee/rep/rep009.asp>

### **ACE Events and Meetings from September to November 2011 (all in Brussels unless stated otherwise):**

Work Group on Scope of Services – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September

ACE Finance Committee Meeting – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September

General Coordination Meeting – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September

Executive Board Meeting – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October

ACE General Assembly – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November

## **OTHER MATTERS**

### **Caribbean Artists Benefiting from EU-CARIFORUM Economic Partnership Agreement**

In October 2008 the EU and the 15 Cariforum countries signed an Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA). At that time it was the first EU trade agreement with third countries that specifically included the cultural sector. Almost three years later, in July 2011, a study carried out by KEA European Affairs for the European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM) shows how Caribbean artists are benefiting from EU-Cariforum EPA. The ECPDM study indicates how the cultural provisions of the EPA were implemented in eight EU Member States. It also examines the activities and funding programmes developed by the EU Commission and the EU Member States. The conclusion of the study is that EU Member States and the Cariforum countries are still in very early stages of implementing the cultural provisions of the EPA. Consequently KEA European Affairs prepared a set of 29 recommendations for actions in order to boost cultural cooperation and trade. For full information on the study, go to:

[http://www.keanet.eu/docs/KEA\\_implementing\\_cultural\\_provision\\_Cariforum\\_EU\\_EPA.pdf](http://www.keanet.eu/docs/KEA_implementing_cultural_provision_Cariforum_EU_EPA.pdf)

Source: KEA's Website

### **Winners of 2011 EU Prize for Contemporary Architecture – Mies van der Rohe Awards**

As part of the EU Culture Programme which supports cooperation projects in the field of architecture, the EU Prize for Contemporary Architecture / Mies van der Rohe Awards encourage architects to work



beyond their national borders and contribute to building a more creative Europe in line with the objectives of the Europe 2020 strategy. This year, David Chipperfield Architects in collaboration with Julian Harrap received the main prize for their reconstruction of the Neues Museum in Berlin. Ramon Bosch and Bet Capdeferro won the “emerging architect special mention” award for the Collage House in Girona. The winners were honoured during a ceremony, which took place in Barcelona at the end of June. To learn more on the projects, go to: [http://ec.europa.eu/culture/our-programmes-and-actions/doc1103\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/culture/our-programmes-and-actions/doc1103_en.htm)

Source: European Commission

### **Two Ex-Equo Winners for Members Choice Award – Europa Nostra**

During the European Heritage Awards Ceremony held in Amsterdam in July, Europa Nostra announced two *ex-aequo* winners for the Members’ Choice Award. Indeed both projects got exactly the same amount of members’ electronic votes. The retained projects are the *Church of Saint George* in Albania and the *Villa Empain* in Brussels. Those two projects are architecturally very different but they can be considered as very similar in their essence: both of them seek to use cultural heritage to promote mutual understanding and respect between various cultures and religions. To look at the selected projects, go to:

[http://www.europanostra.org/news/167/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=ENewsletter+July+2011&utm\\_source=YMLP&utm\\_term=/](http://www.europanostra.org/news/167/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=ENewsletter+July+2011&utm_source=YMLP&utm_term=/)

Source: Europa Nostra Website

### **Results of Torsanlorenzo International Prize 2011**

Open to architects and landscape planning professionals, Torsanlorenzo International Prize highlights completed landscape projects and promotes quality public, urban and private green spaces. This year awards were announced during the Euroflora Fair in Genoa, in May, where all the works presented were exhibited. Two prizes were awarded in each of the following categories. The six winners were:

#### Landscape Design:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Tangsham Nanhu Central Landscape Design (China) - Jie Hu, project leader.

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Thermal Bath in Seklerland (Romania) - Ágnes Herczeg, project leader.

#### Urban Green Spaces:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Centennial Park in Chapulco Lagoon in Puebla (Mexico) – Mario Schjetnan, architect, project leader.

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: The Reinterpreted Mediterranean Landscape in Nicosia (Cyprus) – Paolo L. Bürgi, architect project leader.

#### Public and Private Gardens:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Born in a Wave in Zapallar (Chilli) – Niccolò Cau, architect, Ricardo Walker landscape architect.

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Cliff Roof Garden in Rijeka (Croatia), Natasa Tiska Vrsalovic, Srecko Andradi landscape architects.

For more information on the winning projects, go to:

<http://www.premiotorsanlorenzo.it/UK-sezione-a.php>

Source: Torsanlorenzo Prize Website

### **Winners of the International Competition for Urban General Plan of Rio 2016 Olympic Park**

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of August, the Municipal Olympic Company, in partnership with the Brazil’s Architects Institute (IAB), unveiled the winning project of the International Competition for the Rio 2016 Olympic Park Urban Masterplan. The competition winner is AECOM, a global service provider, which is already responsible for the London 2012 Olympic Park Masterplan. According to IAB, the winning project distinguishes itself with “the operational concept, the separate access to athletes and the spectators, the logistics of the transportation system, the execution feasibility and an exclusive way to parking. In terms of legacy that the project will leave to the city, the highlights referred to environmental preservation, the maintenance feasibility and the preservation of the lagoon.” The competition brought together 60 entries from firms in 18 countries and the jury consisted of representatives from the Rio City Hall, the International Union of Architects, the Brazil’s Architects Institute, the Rio 2016 Organising Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games and the Federal Government. For more information on the winning project, go to: <http://www.rio2016.com/en/rio-2016-now/masterplan-project-chosen-for-rio-2016-olympic-park>

Source: Rio 2016 Website

### **New Website for the International Academy of Architecture**

You can now find the International Academy of Architecture (IAA) at the following address: <http://www.iaa-ngo.com/>

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### **Chamber's Perspective on the Point of Single Contact**

After analysing the three-year transposition phase of the Services Directive, Eurochambres organised a further edition of the survey, focusing on the Points of Single Contact (PSCs). Conducted in late 2010, the survey provides a key indicator whether the main operational element of the directive has, from a business perspective, been delivered in a timely, complete and correct manner. The overall results show a mixed picture, as Chambers from many Member States consider that their national PSC has not yet been fully established. To read the full survey, go to:

[http://www.eurochambres.eu/DocShare/docs/1/FLIEPFFBLJPNHNLMLDNFNAGFRT4LTAYD4AHT56SD6C16/EUROCHAMBRES/docs/DLS/Brochure\\_Services\\_Directive\\_Spain-2011-00018-01.pdf](http://www.eurochambres.eu/DocShare/docs/1/FLIEPFFBLJPNHNLMLDNFNAGFRT4LTAYD4AHT56SD6C16/EUROCHAMBRES/docs/DLS/Brochure_Services_Directive_Spain-2011-00018-01.pdf)

### **Architecture and Housing seen by the Inhabitants of 5 European Countries**

The French National Council of Architects, in collaboration with the Institute Survey IFOP, carried out a survey in five European Countries (France, Germany, Italy, Spain and the United-Kingdom) to ask inhabitants about the role of architecture in the society, the usefulness of architects and the representations associated with national housing. This study was conducted from 7 to 10 March among a representative sample of 2543 person aged over eighteen. The full results are only available in French at following address:

<http://www.architectes.org/telechargement/Infodoc/cdp-n41.pdf/download>

### **A Guide for Consumers: Who can help with your building project?**

The Association of Consultant Architects recently published a new guide, which aim to help consumer understand the importance of appointing an appropriately qualified and insured professional. It highlights how a professional can add value and help protect the consumer during the design and build process. The guide is being distributed through construction related professional bodies, consumer organisations and also via exhibitions or consumer location. It can also be ordered on the following website:

<http://www.acarchitects.co.uk/publications.htm>

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## CALLS FOR PAPERS

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### **World Sustainable Energy Days 2012**

Get involved in the World Sustainable Energy Days 2012 by sharing your work, achievements, ideas and insights with the worldwide sustainable energy community. The call of papers / projects covers different topics such as energy efficiency in buildings, low energy buildings, sustainable energy technologies and strategies, etc. The deadline for submission is the 5<sup>th</sup> of October 2011. To receive more information and participate, go to: [www.wsed.at/call](http://www.wsed.at/call)

### **International Symposium – Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) and Construction**

The Symposium gathers disparate research communities to create a forum for the exchange of recent developments and research results and it promotes an insight into societal demands in the building sectors. The Symposium has announced a Call for Papers on the topic of LCA and Construction. The deadline for the submission of Papers is 15 November 2011. Full details can be found at: <http://lca-construction2012.ifsttar.fr/index.php>

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## COMPETITIONS

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### **European Union Prize for Cultural Heritage – Europa Nostra Awards**

Each year, Europa Nostra and the European Union reward the best of Europe cultural heritage achievements. Through the European Union Prize for Cultural Heritage – Europa Nostra Awards, they celebrate exemplary restorations and initiatives of the many facets of Europe's tangible cultural heritage in 4 categories, which are Conservation, Research, Dedicated Service by Individuals or Organisations and, finally, Education, Training and Awareness-Raising. The 2012 call for entries is now open. The deadline to send in your application is 1 October 2011 and entry forms are available at the following address:

[http://www.europanostra.org/apply-for-an-award-2012/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Call+for+entries+-+European+Union+Prize+...&utm\\_source=YMLP&utm\\_term=the+Europa+Nostra+website/](http://www.europanostra.org/apply-for-an-award-2012/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Call+for+entries+-+European+Union+Prize+...&utm_source=YMLP&utm_term=the+Europa+Nostra+website/)

## EVENTS

### **EFAP Conference on Innovation in Redesign of European Cities**

Organised within the framework of the Polish Presidency of the EU Council, the European Forum for Architectural Policies holds a Conference on Innovation in Redesign of European Cities from the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> September in Gdansk, Poland. The Conference will be attended by representatives of central and municipal authorities, culture and education, non-governmental organisations, professional bodies in the field of architecture, urban and design planning, students and the media. One of the aims of the conference is to promote the innovative role of architecture in redesigning European cities to increase attractiveness and development. For more information and registration, please contact: [efap@efap-fepa.eu](mailto:efap@efap-fepa.eu)

### **UIA Congress 2011**

Next UIA Congress will take place in Tokyo (Japan) from the 25<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2011. The main team of the event will be *Design 2050* and will be approached from three key themes: Environment, Life and Survival. The complete schedule of the Congress can be accessed at: [http://www.uia2011tokyo.com/en/topics/pdf/UIA2011\\_TOKYO.eng.pdf](http://www.uia2011tokyo.com/en/topics/pdf/UIA2011_TOKYO.eng.pdf)

### **5<sup>th</sup> Istanbul International Architecture and Urban Films Festival**

The Chamber of Architects of Turkey Istanbul Metropolitan Branch is organising the 5<sup>th</sup> Istanbul International Architecture and Urban Films Festival from the 3<sup>rd</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> October. For more details go to: [www.archfilmfest.org](http://www.archfilmfest.org)

### **YAF 2011 – Conference on the Legacy of Le Corbusier, Chandigarh, India**

The theme of this year's conference is "Contemporary Architecture: Beyond Corbusierism" will provide an international forum for the exchange of ideas and experiences amongst experts from a broad range of disciplines. The Conference will run from the 12<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> October and full details can be found at:

<http://iiachdpcb.in/yaf/>

### **World Sustainable Building Conference (SB11), Helsinki**

The aim of the World Sustainable Building Conference in Helsinki is to share leading knowledge, and to find new solutions, which can enhance sustainable ways of living and working within our built environment. It will run from the 18<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> October and full details can be found at:

<http://www.sb11.org/sb11-helsinki/home.html>

### **4<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Technology, Design and Environment – Bauhaus SOLAR**

Bauhaus Solar is an interdisciplinary platform created to raise awareness on the new energy era and establish innovations in urban living spaces. The 4<sup>th</sup> International Bauhaus Solar Congress will take place from 8 to 9 November in Erfurt, Germany. It will address the issues of technology, design and environment and will focus on the photovoltaic form of generating energy. The conference will be used as an opportunity to promote an interdisciplinary dialogue between architects, urban and regional planners, landscape architects, civil engineers, etc. To download the Congress program, please go to:

<http://www.bauhaus-solar.de/>

### **13<sup>th</sup> World Triennial of Architecture – InterArch 2012, Sofia**

The International Academy of Architecture, in cooperation with the Union of Architects in Bulgaria and the University of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy, is organising the 13<sup>th</sup> World Triennial of architecture "InterArch 2012" from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2012 in Sofia (Bulgaria). The detailed InterArch 2012 Program will be available in November.



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## PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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### Selection of Useful and interesting links:

European Commission homepage

[http://ec.europa.eu/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/index_en.htm)

Search page for Commission documents

[http://europa.eu/documents/comm/index\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu/documents/comm/index_en.htm)

The Barroso Commission:

[http://ec.europa.eu/commission\\_barroso/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/commission_barroso/index_en.htm)

Commission page containing reference documents for the Directive on the Recognition of Professional Qualifications:

[http://ec.europa.eu/internal\\_market/qualifications/future\\_en.htm#docs](http://ec.europa.eu/internal_market/qualifications/future_en.htm#docs)

The European Parliament Homepage:

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu>

Website of the Polish Presidency (Jul11 to Dec11):

<http://www.pl2011.eu>

Website of the Hungarian Presidency (Jan11 to Jun11):

<http://www.eu2011.hu>

European Forum for Architectural Policies:

<http://www.efap-fepa.eu/>

EU Video Website:

<http://www.youtube.com/eutube>

URBACT Hous-Es Network website:

<http://urbact.eu/projects/hous-es.html>

Sustainable building website

[www.sustainablebuilding.info](http://www.sustainablebuilding.info)

Collegi d'Arquitectes de Catalunya (COAC) international relations database:

<http://www.coac.net/international/>

Consiglio Nazionale degli Architetti, Pianificatori, Paesaggisti e Conservatori (CNAPPC) database - ArchiEuro:

<http://www.awn.it/AWN/Engine/RAServePG.php/P/26111AWN0905/L/1>

Website of the network of French Architecture Centres:

[www.ma-lereseau.org](http://www.ma-lereseau.org)

Website of the European Construction Technology Platform:

<http://www.ectp.org>

Website of the *Build Up* website on energy efficient buildings:

<http://www.buildup.eu>

ArchiEuropa website – comparative information on practice of architecture:

[http://www.arvha.net/selezione\\_lang.php?s=AXMIG1FZFB](http://www.arvha.net/selezione_lang.php?s=AXMIG1FZFB)

Archi-Student website – a wealth of information on schools and students of architecture in Europe:

[www.archi-students.org](http://www.archi-students.org)

Link to the Newsletter of the International Union of Architects (UIA):  
<http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/england/Menu-2/4-lettre.html>

Passive and Draught Cooling in Buildings – The website of an EU-funded project that shows the way towards a pragmatic alternative to conventional air conditioning in buildings:  
[www.phdc.eu](http://www.phdc.eu)

Database of Digital Architecture – A subscription based website that contains several sections including one that provides images of the works of the great masters of architecture and videos of talks by famous architects has been set up. For full information go to:  
[www.pidgeondigital.com](http://www.pidgeondigital.com)

Interactive Database for Architects – Launched in March 2008, this site provides an opportunity for all architectural practices to become globally recognised. Check it out at:  
[www.worldarchitecture.org](http://www.worldarchitecture.org)

ACE Website:  
[www.ace-cae.eu](http://www.ace-cae.eu)

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