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UIA, PARNTER IN THE BUILD-UP EXHIBITION

From 6 to 10 February 2007, the BUILD UP EXPO will take place in Milan. Targeting all stakeholders in architecture and building, this exhibition proposes a dynamic and innovative concept oriented toward communications and international exchange - a network-expo and a global showcase of new construction markets. With the theme United projects for building, BUILD UP hopes to encourage oppenness to competitive and innovative solutions for the development of cities and territories. BUILD UP will also be an immense, global forum on architecture, and a platform for debates that aim to improve the quality of the built environment entitled Non-stop architects! in which Nikos Fintikakis and Geraint John, UIA Work Programmes Directors will participate.

For more information:

www.buildupexpo.com



IDOLS, GODS, AND MONSTERS

On 8 & 9 February 2007, within the framework of BUILD UP, Milan will host an international conference on cities dedicated to the theme Idols, gods, and monsters: metropolises, cities, villages, reasons. The first day of debates will focus on the village witch-doctor and will be animated by administrators, philosophers, and cultural and academic authorities; the second day will offer presentations by architects who intervene in the urban environment, notably Jaime Lerner, UIA Past President and Josep Llop Torne, UIA Work Programme Director, under the theme visible city, liveable city. Giancarlo lus, UIA Vice-President, is a member of the conference's scientific committee. This two-day event is organised by l'ARCA Edizioni, and supported by the UIA and OCCAM (Observatory of cultural and audio-visual communication).

For more information:

http://www.arcaedizioni.it/idolideimostri/index.html



2007 TORSANLORENZO PRIZE

Until 6 March 2007, architects and landscape planners are invited to submit their realisations to compete in this fifth edition of the Torsanlorenzo Prize. Three categories of landscaping projects are recognised: landscape design and territory transformation, urban green spaces, private gardens and parks. The UIA is supporting this prize for the third consecutive year.

For more information:

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member sections

FRANCE

ARCHITECTURE 2007



The Order of Architects is launching for 2007 its project entitled "Tomorrow's France needs architects". The project is structured around three main themes: individual and collective housing, the city and problem areas, and communicating architectural culture. It is is based on a study of the needs and expectations of inhabitants. According to the President of the Order, Bernard Figiel, "architects intend to assume their responsibilities in the context of 'living together' and to be recognized as major actors in the area". In order to launch the debate on the solutions that architecture can bring to specific demands, the CNOA has created a blog where citizens, political authorities, experts, and architects can exchange ideas and points of view.

Visit the blog:

http://www.architecture2007.com/

Order of Architects:

http://www.architectes.org/accueils/cnoa

PAKISTAN IAPEX 2007

On January 12 - 14 2007, the Institute of Architects, Pakistan, is organising a building exhibition and architectural conference on regional identities in a global environment. This event will take place in Karachi and partipants will hear some of the world's most influential architects present their recent projects and discuss the new trends and orientations in contemporary architecture. Cui Kai, Duangrit Bunnag, and George Kunihiro are among the invited speakers.

Institute of Architects, Pakistan:

http://www.iap.com.pk/main.htm

SRI LANKA ARCHITECT 2007

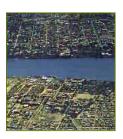
From 21 to 25 February 2007, the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects will hold its 25th exhibition of architectural works and building materials: Architect 2007. In parallel, the SLIA's national conference, on 22 February, will address the theme: an international identity in a national context. Prestigious Sri Lankan architects as well as former AIA President Kate Schwennsen and Indian architect Raj Rewal will animate this conference.

The Sri Lanka Institute of Architects:

http://www.architect2007.com/index.htm

SUDAN

AFRICAN UNION OF ARCHITECTS - COUNCIL SESSION



On 28 February to 3 March, the Sudan Institute of Architects will host the AUA Council. A co-ordination meeting between the representatives of UIA region V and the AUA is planned within the framework of this event.

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ARCHITECTURE AND RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES



ARES COMPETITION

January 31st is the deadline for registrations in this international competition, organised by the UIA ARES work programme and Greek member section, for the design of innovative, bioclimatic shelters to fulfill the urgent housing needs created by different disaster contexts: geographical, topographical, ecological, social, or political.

Competition website and on-line registration:

http://www.arescompetition.com/site/

Contact:

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SPORTS & LEISURE



TORRENT SEMINAR

On 22 February 2007, in Torrent (Valencia - Spain), this UIA work programme will host a seminar on architecture for sports facilities within the framework of the Olympic Games. Wembly stadium and Torrent's central park will be presented among the illustrations for this event.

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ARCHITECTURE FOR ALL – REGION IV



Joseph Kwan

A WEBSITE ON UNIVERSAL ACCESSIBILITY

The website developed by this UIA work programme, directed by **Joseph Kwan**, is online. It is a storehouse of information and resources on the latest design and architectural solutions for issues of universal accessibility, it contributes to the development of a more 'user-friendly' built environment for all those affected by a handicap. The site is compatible with software that transforms text into braille or audio files.

Visit the site:

http://www.hkia.net/uiawp/uiawp.html

HABITAT REGION I



Bill Reed

IN MEMORIAM: BILL REED

We learned with much sadness of the sudden passing away of Bill Reed last October in Stockholm. An active and respected member of the UIA Habitat work programme, he served as alternate as well as titular member of the UIA Council between 1990 and 2002.

"Through his study of the issues concerning habitat, Bill always sought to underline the essential humans values. He was a cherished friend, the 'conscience' of our group, a model of determination, wisdom, and patience ... not a single decision or text produced by our group escaped his scrutiny."

Michel Kalt, Director of the UIA work programme Habitat - Region I



around the world

LIVING STEEL 2 COMPETITION



INNOVATIVE HOUSING DESIGNS

January 12, 2007, is the deadline for submitting expressions of interest to participate in the second edition of the *Living Steel* international competition, open to architects around the world. This is a unique opportunity for the world's architects to share their innovative and responsible ideas for the conception of sustainable housing. This competition is approved by the UIA and carries a total prize amount of 300 000 Euro.

For more information:

http://www.livingsteel.org/new-competition

SAINT PETERSBURG



HISTORIC URBAN LANDSCAPES

From 29 January to 2 February 2007, the city of Saint Petersburg in the Russian Federation will host a seminar on the scientific and technical challenges of managing and preserving the historic city landscapes in central and eastern Europe that are inscribed on the World Heritage List. Initiated by UNESCO, this is the first in a series of regional workshops on the concept of historic urban landscapes and the tools for their conservation. Louise Cox, UIA First Vice-President, will represent the UIA at this meeting.

For more information:

http://whc.unesco.org/fr/evenements/362/

ROTTERDAM



ROTTERDAM CITY OF ARCHITECTURE 2007

Throughout 2007, the city of Rotterdam will celebrate architecture in the form of exhibitions, events, tours, and a programme entitled *Sites and Stories* in which 40 "star" buildings will illustrate a century of modern architecture in the city.

As part of this celebration, the Netherlands Architecture Institute (NAi) will launch its exhibitions calendar on 27 January 2007, with an event on the theme: Luminous Buildings, architecture of the night.

Events programme:

http://www.rotterdam2007.nl/english/index.php

Netherlands Architecture Institute (NAi)

http://www.nai.nl/e/calendar/activities/nightarch_e.html

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