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Education and Culture DG

Project Transfer of Innovation

Leonardo da Vinci

TRAINING TOOLS FOR ACCESSIBLE TOWNS - TTAT

Under the Aegis of the Association of Greek Architects – SADAS-PEA

Athens Conference
June 28th 2012, 15:00h – 18:00h,

With the support of the Accessibility Committee of
Technical Chamber of Greece

Venue
Conference hall of the Technical Chamber of Greece

CONFERENCE AGENDA

With simultaneous Translation, Greek → English → Greek

Thursday 28 June 2012

Conference hall, Technical Chamber of Greece, 4 Nikis str, Syntagma

14:30 Registration - Welcome

15:00 Opening of the Conference

Opening

Conference Introduction and coordination: Sotiris Papadopoulos, architect, partner of the program.

- **Welcome** by Ioannis Theodorakis, Chairman of delegation of the Technical Chamber of Greece
- **Welcome** by Petros Synadinos, architect, representative of the Association of Greek Architects

15:20 – 16:20, 1st circle: Greek Speakers

- Katerina Papamichail, architect, accessibility expert
- Gerasimos Polis, architect, accessibility expert
- Yiannis Polychroniou, architect, accessibility expert
- Alexandros Tripodakis, architect, professor of school of architecture, Crete
- Dora Galani, Architect-Urban planner, President and CEO of the
"Unification of the Archaeological Sites of Athens S.A."

16:20 – 17:10, 2nd circle: Partners of the Program

- Catherine Guyot, Luc Givry, ARVHA (Association pour la Recherche sur la Ville et l'Habitat)
- Doina Butica, Anca Godeanu, BBM-Grup, an agency for architecture
- Brenda Puech, Wai-Mei, Centre for Accessible Environments
- Lucia Martincigh, Chiara Tonelli, Roma Tre University, Department of Architecture and Design (DIPSA)

17:10-18:00, Roundtable discussion, with the participation of all speakers

And the key-panellists:

- Vaggelis Avgoulas, lawyer, deputy mayor of the municipality of Ilion, Region of Attica, and
- Marily Christofi, surveyor engineer, accessibility expert,

Chair: Sotiris N. Papadopoulos

18:00, close of conference followed by light buffet on the lobby

Program Brief

The European Programme Leonardo da Vinci, part of the wider 2007-2013 Lifelong Learning Programme, aims at supporting the improvement of quality and innovation, that is to say the attractiveness of education and professional training. It develops in various types of actions among which the Projects for the Transfer and Development of Innovation.

The coordination of aims and strategies at European level highlights the need of defining common training tools to give technicians the right know-how in order to carry on properly urban renovation, and to spread out innovative and effective operational techniques. Aware of this need, the European Commission financed, within the above mentioned Leonardo Programme, the research project TTAT "Training Tools for Accessible Towns", which aims to realize a multilingual e-platform (English, French, Greek, Italian and Rumanian) for architects, technicians of public administrations or professionals, acting as a support to programming, designing or making accessible infrastructures and urban spaces.

The research project involves 5 Countries: France, United Kingdom, Greece, Italy and Romania. All the partners are involved in training activities and come from different areas: architecture, engineering, urban planning, sociology; they work either for the public or the private sector, as universities and research centers, no profit associations and professional practices, in several European countries. The research project lasts two years and concerns the topics of planning a city accessible for all. It is organized in phases concerning both the theoretical and the practical approach. If the first part is dedicated to the comparison of various laws and technical regulations and to the analysis of the teaching tools, the second relates to the technical solutions and case studies. The third part focuses on the organization of the know-how previously acquired for the building up and managing of an e-learning platform.

PARTNER BRIEFS

ARVHA

Project Coordinator: ARVHA, France

ARVHA is a non-profit organization created in 1993 by architects and city planners, which specializes in renovating local authority housing areas and old city centre districts. It has set itself the target of promoting:

- **research and development** in the area of renovation, redevelopment and restoration in local authority housing areas, urban centres and housing,
- **training** partners in the construction trade in the above-mentioned fields,
- **International activities** particularly in European countries and Eastern European countries, such as Poland and Romania.



Partner Organisation: BBM Grup, Romania

The Agency of Architecture B.B.M. GRUP is an architectural firm that undertakes work in the following areas:

- * Projects of architecture and interior
- * Project Planning and Landscape Architecture
- * Restoration of historic buildings
- * Research in the fields of architecture and urbanism as well as the history and theory of these areas



Partner Organization: DIPSA, Italy

DIPSA (Department of architectural studies and design) was established to promote and coordinate the activities of scientific investigation and research and provides educational support in the field of architecture and environment. Research activities are organized into six courses: Architectural Design, Restoration, History of Architecture, Building Technologies and Processes, Survey and representation, physical environment, supported by several laboratories, including the laboratory of the construction process, materials and components. The department conducts research and provides advice to public and private organisations on architectural design, urban mobility, lighting and acoustic design.



Partner Organization: Centre for Accessible Environments (CAE), UK

The Centre for Accessible Environments (CAE) is widely acknowledged as the UK's leading authority on the practicalities of inclusion by design. Founded in 1969, registered as a charity in 1976, CAE has a mission to share knowledge and expertise. Our services include information provision both online and via helplines, publications, training and consultancy. CAE adopts a pan-user approach, removing physical, sensory and intellectual barriers in order to provide innovative, flexible and inclusive environments for everyone.



Partner Organization: Sotiris N. Papadopoulos (Omada 80), Greece

The small size firm is in practice since 1975 in the whole spectrum of Design, Research and Consultancy in Architecture, Town and Urban Planning. Is largely active in National Architectural competitions and has won fifteen prizes - most of its awarded projects have been realized. Along with the Design and Research projects of Public Interest, the office has also realized a large spectrum of projects of the Private sector. Since the year 2000 Sotiris N. Papadopoulos has also been involved, in partnership with ARVHA, in various European Research Programs; the late one with the title: "Design for All, from school to practice", (www.dfa-archi-urban.org), it is related to this program.



Silent Partner Organization "SMALA"

SMALA is responsible for the implantation of the TEC (Team Eco-Construction) Project in Switzerland.

Created in 1997, the association SMALA supports different projects for the social and cultural innovation. They cooperate in the public authorities and the associative networks at the local and international level. For further details: www.lasmala.org