

International Federation of Landscape Architects Fédération Internationale des Architectes Paysagistes

News Brief

## A new Landscape Architecture Association is born!

After a lengthy endeavour, Mr. Priyanka Ranatunga, IFLA individual member is extremely happy to announce that he has received the Parliamentary approval on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April for the establishment of a National Institute of Landscape Architecture This decision follows Cabinet approval on September 2006. The brand new *Sri Lanka Institute of Landscape Architects* (SLILA) will now apply to become the 62<sup>nd</sup> member association of IFLA.

### The City as Heritage

On 28 and 29 May 2009, the University of Cordoba will organise a seminar on cities as heritage. This seminar will serve to prepare the congress on the same theme to be held in 2010, by examining the changes, developments and progress that influences our cities. The seminar is organised under the auspices of the Federation of Argentinean Associations of Architects (FADEA). Full information at <a href="http://www.institutopatrimonio.com.ar/">http://www.institutopatrimonio.com.ar/</a>

### **3rd Landscape Architecture Exhibition**

**Belgrade, Serbia. September 2-14, 2009.** Organised by the Serbian Association of Landscape Architects (UPA) this project calls for submission of plans of all categories (spatial, master and plans of detailed regulations) connected with landscape architecture or parts of plans referring to landscape architecture (environment protection, protection of cultural landscapes, recreation and tourist areas, city greenery and recreation areas systems, etc...); designs-parks, open sports and recreation centres, pedestrian areas, squares, cultural heritage objects, open spaces and dwelling areas, residential gardens, objects of park and garden architecture, design of landscape structures, interior landscapes etc.; studies and research on landscape architecture; publications (books, magazines, guidebooks...); student projects of all kinds. It addresses professionals (individuals, groups or offices) and students (individuals or groups from all the faculties) in the field of landscape architecture. **Deadline for submission has been extended until May 29**. For further information, please write to Uros Brzakovic at office@upa.org.rs or visit UPA's website www.upa.org.rs. *IFLA & EFLA members get a special registration fee of €70*.

International Symposium of GREEN CITY "The Future Challenge"

Supported by the Indonesia Society of Landscape Architects (ISLA), the symposium to be held on *July 13-14, 2009* at the IPB International Convention Center of Bogor (*Indonesia*) addresses scientists and University educators, graduate students, policy makers and local government agencies, properties firms, developers, contractors and consultants, landscape architects professional organizations, architects, planologists, civil engineers and NGOs concerned with green city sustainable environment. The first day of the symposium will develop the sub-theme *Green City Concept & Implementation towards Sustainable Environment in the Global Challenge*. The second day will be devoted to field excursion in the satellite cities of Jakarta and its vicinity. *Early registration deadline: May 29*. Full information at greencityforgreenearth@gmail.com

#### XIII Seminario de Arquitectura Latinoamericana

Los Seminarios de Arquitectura Latinoamericana nacieron por iniciativa de un grupo de arquitectos como respuesta a la necesidad de promover una reflexión colectiva, orientada a descubrir y poner en relieve las cualidades de la arquitectura Latinoamericana. La versión XIII del SAL está dirigido a la discusión de uno de los temas fundamentales del momento: *Arquitectura y Clima*. Se busca abrir una franca y amplia discusión en torno a la manera como los arquitectos se aproximan al medio ambiente a través de su ejercicio. Se desea evaluar, por una parte, el daño que, a través de la indeferencia hacia el medio ambiente se está causando, y por otra, analizar las investigaciones y experiencias concretas que han permitido la adecuada convivencia de la arquitectura y el desarrollo urbano con su entorno natural. Podrán participar como ponentes u observadores: Arquitectos, historiadores, sociólogos, ingenieros, geógrafos y especialistas de otras disciplinas interesados en los temas del SAL. En el caso de estudiantes deberán presentar documentos que los acrediten como tales. Idiomas: español y portugués. *Envío de ponencias, hasta el 12 de junio 2009*. Para más amplia información, consulte www.isthmus.edu.pa/salXIII/

#### International Landscape Architecture Competition

Southend Pier is an iconic structure that over the last 150 years has helped define Southend. In 2005, however, a fire destroyed the Pier Head. Southend Council is holding an international landscape architecture competition to choose a design for the Pier Head that will reinvigorate and bring activity to it and the town, making it a source of pride to residents and attraction to tourists. The new Pier Head must be developed in a manner that contributes to the cultural offering within the town while also respecting its heritage. The competition will be held in two stages with entrants being invited to submit expressions of interest at stage one. *Deadline for expressions of interest: 15 June, 2009.* For full information, please download the brief from the Landscape Institute at www.landscapeinstitute.org/news/competitions.php

Idea Competition for the Fukaya Communication Site

The Fukaya communication site is one of the U.S. military installations in Yokohama that the governments of the United States and Japan agreed on returning to Japan. The Fukaya Communication Site is a valuable spatial resource with a unique circular shape. The entire 77 hectares wide-area is state-owned. The premises could be the key facility in environmental, natural and landscape perspectives in the region by making use of the surrounding water and natural resources. Thus, the

Fukaya Communication Site Idea Competition Organizing Committee decided to hold the "Idea Competition for the Fukaya Communication Site to generate ideas on integrating intelligence and creativity, promoting the return of the site in 2009, the 150th anniversary of the opening of Yokohama port. Only individuals or groups of individuals can apply (firms and corporations are not eligible.), entrants and groups cannot apply multiple times and submissions will not be accepted without registration. Ideas that consider the following two aspects: response to social demands such as global warming measures and disaster prevention, and contribution to local communities such as public use, community revitalization will be 22 welcome. Registration deadline June 5'00pm local time. Full competition details at www.city.yokohama.jp/me/keiei/kichitaisaku/ideacompe/index e.html

#### Topos Design and Sustainability Symposium & 2009 Landscape Award

**Topos Symposium** on **Design and Sustainability** to be held on **June 26, 2009** in **Reykjavik** (Iceland) will take place at the Nordic House Culture Centre built by Alvar Aalto in 1968, is organized in collaboration with the Icelandic Landscape Architecture association (FILA) at the invitation of the Nordic Council. Speakers' list includes Jenny Osuldsen, Antje Stokmann, Eelco Hooftman, Bart Brands, Philip Coxall and Adrian McGregor among others. The Symposium is limited to 120 people and entrance fee is €150. For registration and information, please contact Marie Persson at marie@nordice.is. On the other hand, the practice *mcgregor+partners*, from Sydney (Australia) run by Adrian McGregor and Philip Coxall won **Topos'**  $4^{th}$  Landscape Award. Topos chose the Australian office as a proponent of a new wave of environmentally focused landscape architecture framed within a modernist design approach. mcgregors + partners work will be documented in *Topos* 67, due on June 20. Topos Landscape Award 2009 ceremony will take place at the Reykjavik symposium. www.topos.de

#### **Opportunity: Post-Mining Landscapes**

The Internationale Bauausstellung (IBA) Fürst-Pückler-Land will provide a platform on **September 15-17, 2009** for an interdisciplinary exchange of capabilities and problems in the design of post-mining landscapes. This international conference on **Opportunity: Post-Mining Landscapes** will take place on the IBA terraces *Großräschen* where a former opencast mine is flooding to a lake. At this unique place that makes the structural change clear like no other place in Lusatia, the attention will be turning to the transformation processes in various mining regions of the world. Besides, the South-African Centre for Sustainable Mining and Industry and the British network Post-Mining-Alliance will present strategies for coping with structural change. The conference addresses an interdisciplinary professional audience from all over the world (mining engineers, planners, sociologists, agronomists, forestry engineers and artists) as well as decision-makers in politics and administration, companies, universities, associations and research facilities dealing with the development of mining regions. *Deadline for* 

## registration July 31,2009. www.iba-see.de

REFF/RomaEuropa FakeFactory: a detourned competition

**Call for entries**. The REFF/RomaEuropa FakeFactory competition is an international design, architecture, landscape competition for students and young architects/designers/landscape designers (under 40). The subject of the competition is **Freedom to remix** where remixes gain value as an opportunity to create an "in progress" archive of design/architecture/landscape propositions, that are project/methodological explorations models, capable of reacting in the face of continuous transformations of contemporary social needs and that, transcending all permanent and immobile characteristics, may be created and recreated according to the needs of inhabitants/users/consumers who become producers of different meanings within an aesthetic vision of an infra-ordinary universe. The competition's theme requires design/architecture/landscape proposals that are examples of mutation/dynamism/ubiquity/multi-functionality/ecoresponsability; interactive projects, diversified factors' containers, sign montages, representations of moving landscapes, solutions that may be re-interpreted by the individual who, having regained the creative process, uses/lives/explores them according to a self-regulating principle. The goal is to realize a map where the coordinates are able to subvert the idea of a centre, where the user/consumer is to become the protagonist of an ideal, transitory, continually evolving scenario, populated by multiple centralities, a privileged location for differences. The most meaningful and innovative works will be inserted in a catalogue and exposed in a specific exhibition. **Deadline for registration and entries is July 31, 2009**. Further details at www.romaeuropa.org/conc/100Spaces.php / www.romaeur

#### Green Culture in the City

Hybrid & Convergence of City and Landscape Architecture: Strategies for the Future is the theme of this year's Incheon IFLA APR Congress. 1-4 September, 2009. Hosted by the Korean Institute of Landscape Architecture and Incheon Metropolitan City. A city as a space for residence and economic activities of mankind has grown with introducing artificial elements. As a result, urban environment has been degraded. Landscape architecture has improved the quality of urban life by pursuing harmony of artificial elements in urban area and human beings. The role of landscape architecture has become more important as it generates dynamic urban culture by establishing various settings related to the urban socio-cultural functions. Based on the premise, three sub-topics have been selected: birth and rebirth of urban landscape, reformation of waterfront in the city, and building unique landscape: urban park as a cultural landscape. Further details at www.IFLA-APR2009.org

#### Peter-Joseph-Lenné-Award 2009

*Call for submission*. The Peter-Joseph-Lenné Award is a competition of ideas for garden and landscape architecture and for the planning of open spaces and landscaping. The procedure aims at young landscape architects, planners, scientists, architects and artists who are in training or are employed in the above-mentioned special areas. The award is intended to support the professional development of young people and to promote new ideas and planning approaches. The prize is awarded for three sections: garden and landscape architecture (a), municipal green space planning (b) and landscape planning including nature conservation (c) with one task for each. The prize has been awarded annually since 1965 and is now the most significant international award for young garden and landscape architects, planners, architects and artists. The award intends to support the professional development of young landscape-architects and to foster new ideas and planning approaches in the design and planning of open spaces. It is organized by the Senate Department of Urban Development,

Berlin and GRÜN BERLIN Park und Garten GmbH. Detailed procedure at www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de

### Urban Ecology and Ecological Design: Perspectives on Integration and Future Directions

A workshop entitled *Urban Ecology and Ecological Design: Perspectives on Integration and Future Directions* will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2009 in conjunction with the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations of the Landscape Architecture *Programme at Lincoln University*, New Zealand from 20-22<sup>nd</sup> November. The workshop is the annual Flock Hill workshop for 2009 and is sponsored by the Isaac Centre for Nature Conservation (ICNC). The main goal of the proposed workshop is to emphasise urban ecology and design research as one of the main directions of the Isaac Centre for Nature Conservation and Landscape Architecture School in the Faculty of Environment, Society and Design. The objectives of this workshop are to: identify new directions for teaching and research in urban ecology and design at Lincoln University, and increase the global visibility of Lincoln University as a potential institution for Masters and PhD research in urban ecology and ecological design. It will be a one day workshop with presentations and discussions including a short 2-3 hour field trip in Christchurch. Two outstanding international specialists will deliver keynote addresses (yet to be finalised). Participation from academics, students, practitioners and representatives from local bodies is envisaged. Participants are encouraged to stay on after the workshop (20-22nd November) to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Landscape Architecture School and the grand opening of the new purpose built Landscape Architecture building. Activities include a research colloquium on 20<sup>th</sup> November and further celebrations to follow. For more details please contact Glenn at: stewartg@lincoln.ac.nz

## European council for the village and small town

**ECOVAST**, the European Council for the Village and Small Town, was set up in 1984 to further the well-being of rural communities, and the safeguarding of the rural heritage, throughout Europe. Its formal aims are to foster the economic, social and cultural vitality and the administrative identity of rural communities throughout Europe; and to safeguard, and to promote a renewal of these areas which is both innovative and adapted to the heritage of the architectural and natural environment (for example, the protection of sites and of landscapes). ECOVAST's membership includes over 500 members in 20 countries across the whole of Europe. The membership is widely drawn, to include individuals, government and non-government bodies, from local to international level. It operates mainly as a network, to assist mutual support among its membership in pursuit of their activity in rural areas. It has national sections in Austria, Croatia, Germany, Hungary, Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, and the United Kingdom and more are planned in other countries. These provide a focus for rural Europe is set out in its "Strategy for Rural Europe", published in 1994 and updated in 2006. It has published policy documents on "Traditional Rural Buildings", and on "Agriculture and Forestry - sustaining their future in Europe", plus a Manual on creation of Heritage Trails and Manuals on "Integrated Rural Community Development" and "Landscape Identification: A Guide to Good Practice". ECOVAST has active working groups on landscape and rural architecture. Read more at <u>www.ecovast.org</u>

#### JoLA, Journal of Landscape Architecture wins ASLA Award 2009

The American Society of Landscape Architects granted its Award of Excellence in the communication category to the Journal of Landscape Architecture (JoLA), one of the leading academic journals in the field. JoLA is published by the European Council of Landscape Architecture Schools. The 2009 ASLA jury awarded JoLA for its contemporary layout, proving that academic journals can be attractive without compromising their reputation. Although JoLA is a European publication, the issues that have appeared to date bear witness of the magazine's endeavour to draw in and contribute to global perspectives on landscape architecture research and methodologies. JoLA is published twice a year, and can be obtained through an online and print combo subscription. For details, see <u>www.info-jola.de</u>

# Docomomo Journal 40

Docomomo recently published the 40th edition of its journal dedicated to the latest research on Modern Movement structures and sites. This edition focuses on the city of Tel Aviv, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary, and includes a selection of educational facilities built between 1920 and 1980, compiled by Docomomo experts from around the world. http://www.docomomo.com/journal-docomomo index.htm



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