

BLUE AWARD 2016: Texte für Presse-Aussendung WCTE, Juli 2016

THE 4th EDITION OF THE BLUE AWARD

This year for the fourth time, in cooperation with the Society of Architecture and Spatial Design, the Department of Spatial and Sustainable Design at the Vienna University of Technology is organizing the Blue Award: a biennial, anonymous, international and single-phase competition for students. The competition awards projects addressing the topic of sustainability, considering the ecological aspects of future buildings and cities as well as the wider meaning of sustainability taking account of the cultural and social tasks at hand.

The international competition for students of architecture, urbanism and regional planning, and also – in 2016 in its fourth edition – of civil engineering, is intended to reinforce the topic of sustainability in education and to promote young planners who examine social, cultural and ecological sustainability within the framework of university design projects.

AIM

Considering its economic, cultural and social dimensions in architecture, regional planning, urbanism and in construction, sustainable developments should be accorded the same importance as technical and functional issues.

WCTE: Cooperation with the World Conference on Timber Engineering

The results of the fourth edition of the BLUE AWARD 2016 will be awarded and exhibited within the framework of the WCTE. Through the cooperation with the WCTE, this time the Blue Award 2016 will be also announced in the university disciplines of civil engineering, building technology and in particular in timber construction.

Thus projects can be submitted in the categories of urban development and regional planning, architecture, building in existing structures and building construction. Special consideration will be given to teams, i.e. projects that have been developed in cooperation with the disciplines of architecture and civil engineering. On this special occasion, a special prize for timber construction or the use of timber in the context of sustainability will be awarded.

JURY

Kazuyo Sejima, architect, SANAA (JP), Pritzker Price Winner, is the president of the jury.

Arch. Cuno Brullmann (architecture)

Arch. Much Untertrifaller (architecture)

Former President UIA Albert Dubler (architecture)

Prof. Wolfgang Winter (architecture, civil engineering, timber construction)

Mag. Marina Hämmerle (urbanism)

Moderation: Dr. Robert Korab

THE JUDGING PANEL

On Tuesday, 31st of May, the judging panel took place at the Vienna University of Technology. The jury members decided upon 15 nominations for first prizes, honorable mentions and special prizes for timber construction in each category.

AWARD CEREMONY as part of the WCTE

The winning projects of the Blue Award 2016 will be awarded and presented as part of the WCTE, the World Conference on Timber Engineering. On this special occasion, a special prize for timber technology for the use of timber in the context of sustainability will be awarded. The prize ceremony will take place on August 24th in the University of Vienna (main building).

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