

RE-INVENTCITIES®

RE-INVENTINFRASTRUCTURES: An open call for ideas

International Architecture Competition for new urban infrastructures

COMPETITION RULES

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::: OBJECTIVE

The **RE-INVENTCITIES® Project** is dedicated to the study and development of basics physical and social structures of the cities on the contemporary scenario.

We will organize a limited series of international competitions relative to specific urban thematic, with renowned architects, and an important diffusion of the projects with relevant publications.

We look for collaborate with local governments, ONG's and private initiatives.

We want to make the most interesting projects into reality.

And most of all, we will support the development of the architecture as discipline.

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::: THEME

The theme of the **RE-INVENTCITIES®** at this first opportunity is:

RE-INVENTINFRASTRUCTURES, an International Architecture Competition for new urban infrastructures.

The understand of the infrastructure term must be relative to the structures that support a urbanized society, so we ask to participating architects make a reinterpretation of one or a combination of the 5 (five) infrastructure topics listed below:

1. **Mobility:** Roads, the street.
2. **Resources supply:** Water, energy.
3. **Wastes:** Organics, non organics, pollution, wastewater.
4. **Communication and energy grids:** Internet, broadcasting, power grids.
5. **Flood management systems:** global warming,

Participants are free (and encouraged) to select a particular city or place of work.

::: ELEGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

The competition is open to young¹ architects and young² urban architects around the world with legal professional competences in their countries.

Entrants may submit as individuals, teams, and/or firms. For jury purposes, each design is considered as a separate entry. Multiple designs will not be considered as a single entry. Members of the committee of architects involved in the preparation of these **RE-INVENTCITIES®** materials are excluded from the competition.

In order to register, an entrant must send an email by **06 March 2009**, to competition@reinventcities.org and include all of the following information:

- + **Name of entrant, whether individual or team.**
- + **If team, names of all members.**
- + **Email address for entrant.**
- + **Phone number for entrant.**
- + **Mail address for entrant.**

Upon receipt of such email, the organizers will reply with a **four-digit entry identification number**. This identification number serves as confirmation that registration has been received, and must be used on final entry images to identify the entrant.

There is no entry fee.

::: SUBMITTAL

Entries will only be accepted from entrants that registered by the deadline for registration. No entries will be accepted from entrants that failed to register by the deadline.

Entries that are late, illegible, incomplete, misdirected or incompletely received will not be eligible. The period of submission is **06 March 2009 to 27 March 2009**. The competition organizers reserve the right to delay or extend the period of submission.

This is an **online competition**. All the entrants must submit only by e-mail to competition@reinventcities.org.

All entries must be presented on a maximum of **3 (three) ISO A3 images**. Images can be oriented vertically or horizontally. Any image must include the entrant identification number.

Each A3 image to be submitted as an individual file, showing the 4-digit number and the number of the panel **e.g. XXXX_1of3, XXXX_2of3, etc.** The organizers will notify each participant once the submission is received.

Images must be submitted as high-resolution electronic **pdf or jpg** files and should not be more than 8MB.

These documents will contain any information the participants choose to include such as:

- + **Diagrams**
- + **Maps**
- + **2-d drawings to scale**

¹ Less than 40 years old at December 2009.

² Less than 40 years old at December 2009.

- + 3d digital models of interior and exteriors views
- + Collages and photographs of physical models,
- + At least 100 but no more than 300 words of text explaining the design

If the organizers have not received high-resolution electronic images on the entry materials deadline date, the entry will be incomplete and will not be judged.

Questions regarding contest brief and requirements may be emailed to competition@reinventcities.org. The Deadline for questions is **February 20, 2009**, and responses will be emailed to all registrants as of **06 March, 2009**.

::: COMPETITION LANGUAGE

The competition documents and entries will be in **English only**.

::: SCHEDULE

- + 15 January 2009: Competition brief available
- + 06 March 2009: Registration deadline
- + 06 March 2009: Publication of questions and answers
- + 27 March 2009: Submission deadline
- + 30 April 2009: Selections announced at www.reinventcities.org

::: JURY

Members of the jury are as follows:

- + Federico Soriano (Spain)
- + Reinventcities committee

The organizers reserve the right to modify the composition of the jury without notice.

::: PRIZES

The jury will award prizes based on subjective evaluation of how each entry addresses the objective, program, and context outlined in this brief.

Prizes will be as follow:

- + Grand prize: US\$ 5000, 00
- + 25 projects to publication

Additional mentions will be awarded as the jury sees appropriate but additional cash prizes are not guaranteed.

We will select a group of 25 projects to be part in a relevant publication called **RE-INVENTINFRASTRUCTURES**. We will organize a series of expositions to promote the principal ideas of the competition.

We want to make a large promotion of the competition as of the **RE-INVENTCITIES®** project. Best projects will receive an official certificate.

::: ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS AND PUBLIC EXHIBITION

The results of the competition will be announced publicly by the **RE-INVENTCITIES®** web site and other media sources.
All winning projects will be informed directly by email.

::: ANONYMITY AND DESIGN CREDIT

All entries must be submitted without any markings that will identify team members in order to facilitate fair ruling of the competition. Failure to comply with this rule will lead to disqualification.

::: OWNERSHIP AND COPYRIGHT

Professionals retain control of intellectual property; however, the organizers will retain the ownership of all entries. The organizers will not return any entries. For this reason competitors are advised to make record copies of their design submissions prior to sending them. No restriction is placed on the use of any design submission by its authors.

::: DISQUALIFICATION

Any competitors who break any of the competition rules or who fail to fulfill the requirements of the competition program will be disqualified and their submission will not be considered.

::: WEBSITE

For updated information and a detailed brief:
www.reinventcities.org

::: ORGANIZATION

RE-INVENTCITIES® Project committee

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RE-INVENTCITIES® invites architects and urban architects worldwide to generate innovative design proposals for a project that will contribute to the 21st century vision for cities.