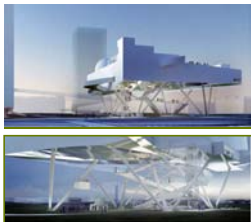


INTERNATIONAL
COMPETITIONS**WOLFGANG TSCHAPPELLER WINNER OF THE COMPETITION FOR THE CENTRE FOR PROMOTION OF SCIENCE IN BELGRADE**

The Serbian Ministry of Science and Technology launched an international competition for the design of a Centre for the promotion of science in one of New Belgrade's neighbourhoods. This open de project competition, in a single stage, was organised by the Union of Architects of Serbia together with the Association of Belgrade Architects and run under the aegis of the UIA.

The brief concerned the design of the Centre, a complex including exhibition and conference spaces as well as a planetarium. Located on a 11, 66 ha site of which 20 915 m² has been allocated for the construction of the new Centre. Competitors were also called upon to make proposals for the urban planning of the entire site as a science park to become part of Belgrade's high-tech sector, a university, scientific and commercial neighbourhood.

Two hundred and thirty two entries from forty countries were presented to the international jury, presided by Jovan Mitrović, President of the Union of Architects of Serbia. Brazilian architect Roberto Simon represented UIA on the jury that met, in Belgrade, from 13 to 17 December 2010. Three prizes and three mentions were awarded for a total value of 10 000 euros, as well as six honourable mentions.

The winning project, by Austrian team ZTGMBH Architekten, led by Wolfgang Tschapeller, was selected by a unanimous vote. It proposes a surprising and intelligent interpretation of modern architectural principles, connecting to the history of New Belgrade, as well as pointing to the new possibilities in the future. Elevated, the Centre appears as a modern symbol of science, keeping the green landscape for the citizens of New Belgrade. The jury came to the conclusion that this project fitted both the requirements of the programme and the aspirations for the institution as well as for the city for which it provides a new, welcome landmark.



The second prize was awarded to the Japanese team Sou Fujimoto Architects and the third to the Serbian team ARCVS, Branislav Redlić, Dragan Ivanović, Zoran Milovanović, Zoran Dorović, Vesna Milojević, Boris Husanović, Marko Todorović, Predrag Stefanović.



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Mr. Jovan Mitrovic, President, Union of Architects of Serbia - SAS
 Mr. Ivan Raskovic, President, Association of Belgrade Architects – DAB

Dear President Mitrovic
 Dear President Raskovic,

The International design competition for the Centre for the Promotion of Science, in Belgrade, launched by the Ministry of Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia, in collaboration with the Union of Architects of Serbia –SAS represented by the Association of Architects of Belgrade, organised in conformity with the UNESCO/UIA regulations concerning international architecture and town planning competitions and under the aegis of the International Union of Architects – UIA, has come to a very successful conclusion.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank you for the confidence you showed in the UIA by adhering to the international regulations. I should also like to congratulate you and all your team in Belgrade for the great efficiency with which the competition was organised and run. It was certainly no mean task to deal with such an important project including the large number of registrations and entries submitted by architects worldwide. The team proved very capable.

It is very satisfactory that the winning project was selected unanimously by the international jury and we do hope that the realisation of the Centre for the Promotion of Science will be completed within the foreseen timescale and that the result will be a landmark for New Belgrade.

We hope to have the opportunity to collaborate with you again on a future project and remain at your disposal for any information you may require.

With renewed congratulations and my best regards,

Tomaz Kancler
 Director, UIA International
 Competitions Programme

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