New European Bauhaus
Upskilling x (Education+Practice)

Public Conference
Thursday 20 April 2023
9h00 to 17h45

ULB Faculty of Architecture La Cambre Horta
19 Place Eugene Flagey, Brussels

Web-streamed from the ACE website
With the European Year of Skills 2023, the European Union aims to promote a mindset of reskilling and upskilling, in order to boost competitiveness of European companies, and help them to realise the full potential of the digital and green transitions. Skills and competences of building professionals lie at the heart of the New European Bauhaus (NEB) – a beautiful, sustainable and inclusive built environment can only be the result of the work of skilled professionals, in the construction sector, but also throughout administrative and policy decision-making processes. We need to train a generation of professionals that adheres to NEB values and is capable of achieving its ambitions.

In this context, the Architects’ Council of Europe (ACE) and the European Association for Architectural Education (EAAE) are co-organising a one-day public conference to discuss what are the skills, methods and pedagogies needed for a flourishing and ecologically beneficial architectural practice that addresses the challenges of our turbulent twenty-first century. This event programme discusses developments, teaching practices and models of innovation within architecture that include, but also go beyond the private-public axis, to engage community-based initiatives, microeconomies and modes of empowerment that express the emerging new values of this era. We will examine pilots, practices and cultural demonstrators that show how architectural research and education can activate innovation ecosystems in ways that address the significant challenges of climate change, while drawing on the principles of the NEB.

We aim to interrogate the values underpinning how architecture is researched, practiced, and taught throughout Europe, so that we can maintain our competitive edge, while upholding our collective cultural identities. In this way, we aim to meet the needs of our communities beyond functionality, encourage dialogue across cultural divides, and work in harmony with nature, the environment, and our planet.

On the occasion of the conference, the shortlisted nominees for the 2023 edition of the Young Talent Architecture Awards (YTAA) will be announced. The YTAA is a category of the EUmies Awards / EU Prize for Contemporary Architecture. It highlights outstanding diploma projects of Architecture, Urban Planning and Landscape Architecture students. The conference, which is co-funded by the Creative Europe programme of the EU, will bring together professionals, architecture students, educators and researchers, as well as delegates from the ACE and EAAE.

Participation free of charge upon registration.

French-English interpretation will be provided.
The event will be web-streamed from the ACE website.
8h30  Registration

9h00  Welcome
Marcelle Rabinowicz, Dean, ULB Faculty of Architecture La Cambre Horta
Ruth Schagemann, President, Architects’ Council of Europe
Oya Atalay Franck, President, European Association for Architectural Education

9h10  Opening speech
Video message by Themis Christophidou, Director General for Education, Youth and Sports, European Commission

9h20  Presentation of the NEB Academy
Ruth Reichstein, I.D.E.A., Advisory Board of the President of the Commission

9h30  Morning Keynote
Ashraf M. Salama, Professor of Architecture and Urbanism, Head of Architecture and the Built Environment, University of Northumbria, United Kingdom

10h00  Professional Associations and Networks
Dag Boutsen, Council Member, European Association for Architectural Education
Dubravko Bačić, Executive Board Member, Architects’ Council of Europe
Olga Mihalikova, Chairperson, European Network of Architects’ Competent Authorities

10h45  Coffee Break

11h15  Students
Elena Spatz & Eduarda Poubel, Architecture students, SOFT - School of Transformation (TUM), Germany
Anamarija Dujmović & Ivona Mravunac, Architecture and CE Students, SUPEUS, Croatia
Ivan Blasi, Director of programs, Fundació Mies van der Rohe, curator EU Mies Awards Young Talent
12h00   **Education**  
Johanna Meyer-Grohbrügge, Professor, TU Darmstadt, Architecture Department 
Camilla Hedegaard Møller, Professor, Royal Danish Academy- Architecture, Design, Conservation and Head of Strategic Design & Entrepreneurship Programme 
Wacław Szarejko, Professor, Faculty of Architecture, Wroclaw University of Science & Technology 
Massimo Santanicchia, Professor and Director of the Master’s Program in Architecture at the Iceland University of the Arts

13h00   **Lunch Break**  
ULB Annual Student Exhibition preview with Philippe De Clerck & Marc Mawet

14h30   **Afternoon Keynote**  
Rachel Armstrong, Professor of Design-Driven Construction for Regenerative Architecture in the Department and Faculty of Architecture, KU Leuven

15h00   **Research**  
Leslie Petitjean, Circular Economy senior officer, ICLEI Europe, BUS-GoCircular 
Roberto Cavallo, EAAE Council Member, digiNEB 
Paul McCormack, Innovation Manager, Belfast Metropolitan College, ARISE

15h45   **Coffee Break**

16h00   **Practice**  
Raul Pantaleo, Architect, Co-founder, TAMassociati, Italy 
Ehab Sayed, Founder & CEO, BIOHM, United Kingdom 
Lara Molino, Program Coordinator Exhibitions & Lectures A+ Architecture in Belgium, Brussels Architecture Prize, Belgium

16h45   **Round table discussion**  
Moderated by Rolf Hughes, Director of Artistic Research for the Experimental Architecture Group & Professor, Department of Architecture, KU Leuven, Belgium

17h30   **Presentation of the joint statement and concluding remarks**  
Oya Atalay Franck, President, European Association for Architectural Education 
Ruth Schagemann, President, Architects’ Council of Europe 
Philippe Meilleur, President, Belgian Order of Architects

17h45   **End of the conference**

18h30   **Evening cocktail reception**  
Hosted by the Belgian Order of Architects, Villa Empain
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Architects’ Council of Europe
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Conference Committee
Rachel Armstrong, Dubravko Bačić, Dag Boutsen, Julie Deutschmann, Céline Monbailliu and Pierre Obajtek.

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