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ARCHITECTURE, THE CLIMATE OF THE FUTURE

As part of their ongoing commitment to responsible architecture, ever mindful of factors related to climate and the environment, the International Union of Architects (UIA), the Architects' Council of Europe (ACE), the National Council of the Order of French Architects (CNOA), and the International Council of French Architects (CIAF) announce an international conference on the theme "Architecture, the Climate of the Future". The symposium will take place in Paris, at the Cité de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine, on 30 November 2015, from 14.00 to 19:45, on the opening day of the UN Climate Change Conference, COP 21.

The conference is organised in two parts, starting at 14.00 with a panel discussion to examine the impact of buildings and planning on climate change, and the role architects play in energy transition. Panellists include architects Kjetil Traedal Thorsen, Manfred Hegger, Patrick Coulombel, Anna Heringer, Carin Smuts, Pascal Gontier and David Mangin, with Sylvie Joussaume, French climatologist.

A round-table will follow the panel presentations, at 5:30 pm, and will offer architects, scientists and political decision-makers from France and around Europe to discuss the role of cities and buildings in the fight against climate change on: How can cities be made resilient and sustainable? How can design become the determining factor for a building's sustainability? Participants include architects Kenneth Yeang, Edward Mazria, Frederic Bonnet and Kjetil Traedal Thorsen, energy engineer Thierry Salomon, and Members of the European Parliament Claude Turmes and Karima Delli.

All the participating architects have oriented their careers toward finding alternative architectural and building solutions that offer a significant reduction in the consumption of fossil fuels and the emission of...
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