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**Press Information** 

## aspern INTERNATIONAL **Ideas for Change:** an international view

A cooperation of the Architekturzentrum Wien (Az W) with Wien 3420 Aspern Development AG

Exhibition 12. June - 24. August 2015, Az W, Hall F3

Museumsplatz 1, 1070 Vienna

28. August - 04. October 2015, Technology centre aspern IQ (Foyer)

Seestadtstraße 27, 1220 Vienna

Press/VIP Preview Guided Press/VIP Tours

11. June 2015, 12-6pm, Az W, Hall F3 11. June 2015, 1:30pm & 4pm, Az W, Hall F3

11. June 2015, 9pm, Az W Podium

**Exhibition Opening** 

Symposium

20. June 2015, 10am-5:15pm, Az W Podium

Vienna is one of the fastest-growing cities in Europe. The largest area of urban development is aspern Vienna's Urban Lakeside, located in the east of the city. In collaboration with the Architekturzentrum Wien, Wien 3420 Aspern Development AG is inviting a select group of architects to participate in an ideas competition for a site in the Lakeside Park Quarter in aspern. Seven architectural offices from across Europe have been chosen to take part. The aim of the competition is to develop alternative approaches to the architecture of the city, with the emphasis on those themes that confront the city daily. The intention is, through the reinterpretation of Viennese traditions, to allow a wide-ranging debate about the future and the coherence of the city. The competition seeks ideas for positive change and new forms for functionally neutral buildings.

Before the jury session the designs will be presented and discussed during the VIENNA BIENNALE 2015. The exhibition aspern INTERNATIONAL gives both the jury and the general public an opportunity to get to know the individual projects and the architects. Each architecture office presents its own project at a public symposium on 20.06.2015 and responds to the comments and questions from the jury, colleagues and the interested public. The content of these discussions then provides the basis for the jury's decision, which will be announced in July 2015. This experiment signalises change in the direction of participation, giving people a voice, and the democratisation of the city.

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#### Participating architectural offices:

Atelier Kempe Thill Architects and Planners (NL), www.atelierkempethill.com
Bevk Perović Arhitekti (SI), www.bevkperovic.com
Cino Zucchi Architetti with ifdesign (IT), www.zucchiarchitetti.com
Helen & Hard (NO), www.helenhard.no
Hild und K Architekten (DE), www.hildundk.de
Lacaton & Vassal Architectes (FR), www.lacatonvassal.com
von Ballmoos Krucker Architekten (CH), www.vbk-arch.ch

#### Jury / advisory board:

Louisa Hutton, sauerbruch hutton architects (presiding juror)
Franz Kobermaier, Head of MA 19
Claudia Nutz, managing board member Wien 3420 Aspern Development AG
Dietmar Steiner, director Architekturzentrum Wien
Silja Tillner, architect and member of the aspern advisory board
Christoph Thun-Hohenstein, director MAK
Maria Vassilakou, vice mayor & executive city councillor for urban planning,
traffic & transport, climate protection, energy & public participation
Helmut Wimmer, architect

#### Framework Programme:

ARCHIKIDS: WE ARE BUILDING AN URBAN LAKESIDE
Sat, 13. June 2015, 3–5pm, aspern Vienna's Urban Lakeside
ARCHIKIDS: SPEND THE NIGHT IN A FORMER METAL WORKSHOP
Sat, 26. September 2015, 3–5pm, Az W Podium
TRANSITIONS: FROM THE Az W TO THE KUNSTHALLE WIEN
Wed, 8. July & 19. August 2015, 5–7:30pm, Az W & Kunsthalle Wien
Az W ON SITE: ASPERN VIENNA'S URBAN LAKESIDE 1
Sun, 21. June 2015, 4–6:30pm, aspern Vienna's Urban Lakeside
Az W ON SITE: ASPERN VIENNA'S URBAN LAKESIDE 2
Sat, 25. July 2015, 4–6:30pm, aspern Vienna's Urban Lakeside
Az W ON SITE: ASPERN VIENNA'S URBAN LAKESIDE 3
Sat, 22. August 2015, 4–6:30pm, aspern Vienna's Urban Lakeside

#### Collateral Exhibition:

A ROOM FOR FIVE. 20 ARCHITECTURAL YEARS 3. September –12. October 2015, Az W Old Hall

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