Results of the European Prize for Urban Public Space 2012

The Jury of the European Prize for Urban Public Space 2012, with the architect Josep Llinàs as President, met at the CCCB on Thursday 19 and Friday 20 April. The winners were selected from 347 projects from 36 European countries (at the last edition, in 2010, 303 projects were submitted from 32 countries).

After due deliberation, the Jury agreed to award the First Prize jointly to the following works:

**JOINT WINNERS**

**RENOVATION OF THE RIVER LJUBLJANICA**
Ljubljana [Slovenia], 2011
Authors: Boris Podrecca, ATELIER arhitekti, URBI, BB ARHITEKTI, ATELJE VOZLIČ, DANS arhitekti, TRIJE arhitekti and MEDPROSTOR

Renovation of the banks of the River Ljubljanica in the section flowing through the old city centre, a collective effort that concentrates resources in a range of specific interventions.

**LANDSCAPING OF THE PEAKS OF THE TURÓ DE LA ROVIRA**
Barcelona [Spain], 2011
Authors: JANSANA, DE LA VILLA, DE PAAUW, ARQUITECTES SLP and AAUP. Jordi Romero i associats SLP

Landscaping and improved accessibility to a lookout where the remains of an anti-aircraft gun emplacement combine with those of a shanty village that was later constructed there.

The Jury also awarded a Special Mention to the following three works:

**EXHIBITION ROAD**
London [United Kingdom], 2011
Author: Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea

A main road in one of London’s cultural districts has been repaved and cleared of architectural barriers, and vehicular traffic has been regulated by means of a “shared surface” system that creates a balance of consensus between vehicles and pedestrians.
MEMORIAL TO THE ABOLITION OF SLAVERY
Nantes [France], 2011
Authors: Krzysztof Wodiczko & Julian Bonder, Wodiczko+Bonder, Architecture, Art & Design

A wharf on the Loire River where slave ships once docked has been renovated with a new riverside walk that replaces a car park, while a memorial space commemorates the slave trade.

ANNORSTÄDES / ELSEWHERE / AILLEURS
Malmö [Sweden], 2010
Author: Tania Ruiz

A permanent installation projects moving images onto the platforms of an underground railway station to make the wait more enjoyable for passengers.

The Jury further awarded a Special Category to the following intervention:

OCCUPY PUERTA DEL SOL
Madrid [Spain], 2011

A large-scale demonstration by citizens demanding improvements in the democratic system by means of a temporary occupation of one of Madrid’s most representative squares.

The members of the Jury, presided over by the architect Josep Llinàs on behalf of the Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona (CCCB), are: Dietmar Steiner, director of the Architekturzentrum Wien (Vienna); Ole Bouman, director of the Nederlands Architectuurinstituut (Rotterdam); Sarah Mineko Ichioka, director of The Architecture Foundation (London); Francis Rambert, director of the Institut Français d’Architecture (Paris); Juulia Kauste, director of the Suomen Rakennustaitteen Museo (Helsinki) and Peter Cachola Schmal, director of the Deutsches Architekturmuseum, acting as board members, and David Bravo, architect, acting as secretary.

The European Prize for Urban Public Space is an award created by the CCCB in 2000 to acknowledge and encourage the creation and recovery of public spaces in European cities, and to highlight urbanistic interventions that promote the public dimension of urban space and its role in social integration. The biennial prize is awarded not only to the professionals responsible for the urban intervention, but also to the institutions that develop it.

The awards ceremony will take place at the CCCB on Friday 29 June 2012 and will be attended by Josep Llinàs and the winners.

All the written and graphic information about the prize and the winning projects is available for consultation at http://www.publicspace.org/en/prize/press/2012.