

ARCHIPHONIX

Faculties for Architecture

Dutch Pavilion, at the 11th International Architecture Exhibition – La Biennale di Venezia

ARCHIPHONIX - Faculties for Architecture turns the Dutch Pavilion, at this year Architecture Biennial in Venice, into a weeklong stage for research and exploration and a debate platform focussing on the capacities and capabilities of architecture - beyond building. ARCHIPHONIX takes the recent burning-down of the Faculty of Architecture in Delft as starting point for an exploration of what values to defend, what territories to explore and what practices to develop as an architect. The fire seems to open a new era, it gives architecture community a chance to reposition itself and the opportunity to question whether thinking in terms of buildings is the solution to the issues and demands that we will face in the near future. In short: the faculties for architecture, in the sense of its multiple capacities, powers, capabilities. A question mark rather than an exclamation mark.

While on the one hand, global pressures - massive population growth, economic instabilities, limits of the resources available, just to name a few - urge architects to radically reconsider their tools, products and models of working, a growing number of unconventional practices already showcase possible directions. How could they be made to work - on a scale that answers the challenges ahead?

The project focuses on five questions each architect encounters: **Why we make** - beyond the profitable simplicity into the social sustainability, **What we make** - beyond the artifact, **How we work** - beyond the singular into the collaborative, **For whom we make** - beyond power to empowerment, and finally **What it takes to make (and un-make)** - beyond the sustainable: challenging the flow of resources, materials and people. These five seemingly simple questions, if put to face the future challenges ahead might turn to become serious issues for discussion!

From 9-14 September, during the Biennial opening days, the project takes the opportunity to engage the vast network of architects and other professionals present in a direct exchange either as speakers, interviewers, editors. The spatial setting itself will change on a daily basis to accommodate round tables, speed dates, lectures, dinner, workshop, and an on-site instantly edited video and book production unit. While the pavilion will act as a temporary 'school', the book produced will become an imaginary curriculum for architecture beyond division on education and practice. The results of this dense process will be on show during the rest of the Biennial, until 23 November 2008.

<http://www.facultiesforarchitecture.org/>

ARCHIPHONIX - Faculties for Architecture, takes place from 9 September to 23 November 2008, at the Dutch Pavilion, Giardini, as a part of the 11th International Architecture Exhibition in Venice.

The project is commissioned by **Ole Bouman**, director of the Netherlands Architecture Institute (NAi), Rotterdam.

Curated by **Saskia van Stein** and **STEALTH.unlimited** (Ana Dzokic/Marc Neelen).

The program and the on-site content production is made in collaboration with the editorial group comprising **Lillet Breddel**, **Christian Ernten**, **Jeanne van Heeswijk**, **Dennis Kaspori**, **Peter Lang**, **Billy Nolan**, **Arjen Oosterman**, **Miguel Robles-Duran** and **Piet Vollaard**.

The Dutch submission to the Architecture Biennial has been organized by the **Netherlands Architecture Institute (NAI)** at the invitation of the **Ministry of Education, Culture and Science (OC&W)**.

PROGRAM 9 – 14 September

Program update will be available at: <http://www.facultiesforarchitecture.org/>

Tuesday 9 September 2008

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Dinner event, for Biennale participants

Wednesday 10 September 2008

FOUNDING FACULTIES

Thursday 11 September 2008, 11 – 18 hrs

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

11.00-12.00

BEYOND THE PROFITABLE SIMPLICITY INTO THE SOCIETAL SUSTAINABILITY WHY WE MAKE

Is there another drive to practice beyond economic pragmatics?

Alejandro Aravena, Elemental, Santiago de Chile

Jeanne van Heeswijk, Rotterdam

Kai Vöckler, Archis Intervention Prishtina, Berlin

Moderator: **Ole Bouman**, NAI, Rotterdam

12.15-13.15

BEYOND THE ARTIFACT WHAT WE MAKE

What is the product or the outcome of architecture beyond building?

Matthias Rick / Markus Bader, Raumlabor, Berlin

Lorenzo Romito / Francesco Carreri, Stalker/Osservatorio Nomade, Rome

Daniel van der Velden, Metahaven, Amsterdam

Moderator: **Peter Lang**, Texas A&M Santa Chiara Center, Environmental Design Theorist, Rome/New York

13.30-14.30 BREAK

14.30-15.30

BEYOND THE SINGULAR INTO THE COLLABORATIVE HOW WE WORK

How to shift from the genius to operating in the reality of network society?

Tomislav Medak and **Marko Sancanin**, Platforma 9.81/MAMA/Right on the City, Zagreb

Markus Miessen, Studio Miessen, co-editor of 'Did Someone Say Participate?', London

Damon Rich, the Center for Urban Pedagogy (CUP), New York

Moderator: **Joseph Grima**, Store Front Gallery, New York

15.45-16.45

BEYOND POWER, TO EMPOWERMENT FOR WHOM WE MAKE

Who are the new clients emerging that architecture must address?

Massimo Cacciari, mayor of Venice (tbc)

Teddy Cruz, Studio Teddy Cruz, San Diego

Rem Koolhaas, OMA, Rotterdam

Moderator: **Miguel Robles – Duran**, Berlage Institute/TU Delft, Cohabitation Strategies, Rotterdam

17.00-18.00

**BEYOND THE SUSTAINABLE: CHALLENGING THE FLOW OF RESOURCES,
MATERIALS AND PEOPLE
WHAT IT TAKES TO MAKE (AND UN-MAKE)**

What would radical ecology imply for architecture?

Pliny Fisk III, Center for Maximum Potential Building Systems, Austin Texas

Jan Jongert, 2012 Architects, Rotterdam

Francois Roche, R & SIE (n), Paris

Moderator: **Piet Vollaard**, director ArchiNed, Smart Architecture Foundation, Rotterdam

18.00 – 19.00

Presentation + drinks

Sustainability Reader – in collaboration by magazines **Abitare**, Milan and **Volume**, Amsterdam

Friday 12 September 2008, 11 – 18 hrs

SPEED DATE MARATHON

Adopt a faculty for architecture – 28 speakers – starting every 15 minutes!

11.00 -18.00

Invited contributors on this day: Observatorium, Trecy Metz, Field operations, Jeroen van Schooten, NL Architects, Ben van Berkel, ZUS, Ecosystema Urbano, Ivan Kucina, Georgi Stanisev, Jo Coenen, Eyal Weizman, Lotek, Adriaan Geuze, Droog Design, Lidewij Edelkoort, Jan Willem Neutelings, Fantastic Norway, Piet Vollaard, Recetas Urbanas, Mark Wigley, Emiliano Gandolfi, Network Cultures, Guus Beumer, Jürgen Mayer H, International Festival, Adolfo Natalini, Aaron Betsky, Mels Crouwel, Liesbeth van der Pol...

In conversation with: **Jord den Hollander**, architect and filmmaker, Amsterdam

18.00 opening by **Liesbeth van der Pol**, chief government architect of the Netherlands

Saturday 13 September 2008, 11 – 18 hrs

KEYNOTE SPEAKER MARATHON

11.00-12.00

**BEYOND THE SINGULAR INTO THE COLLABORATIVE:
HOW WE WORK**

How to shift from the genius to operating in the reality of network society?

Andrew Bullen, Media Guild, Amsterdam

12.00-13.00

**BEYOND THE PROFITABLE SIMPLICITY INTO THE SOCIETAL SUSTAINABILITY
WHY WE MAKE**

Is there another drive to practice beyond economic pragmatics?

Douglas Slater, historian and political theorist, London, UK

13.00-14.00

Announcement international architecture competition: BUILDING FOR BOUWKUNDE

Visions on architecture education

Ronald Plasterk, Dutch Minister for Education, Science and Culture.

Also present: **Wytze Patijn**, dean Faculty of Architecture, Delft University of Technology and **Ole Bouman**, director NAI, Rotterdam.

14.00-15.00

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Héctor Torres Casado, vice-minister of Planification and Consumption of the Ministry of Peoples Power for Housing and Habitat of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

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John Thackara, Doors of Perception, Montpellier/London

16.00-17.00

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Irit Rogoff, Goldsmiths, University of London, London

17.00-18.00

Official opening in the Gardini by Biennale director Aaron Betsky

18.00-19.00

**Book presentation 'The Model and its Architecture' and drinks
Patrick Healy** and the Delft School of Design

Sunday 14 September 2008, 11 – 18 hrs

FUTURE FACULTY

<http://www.futurefaculty.org/>

If you could design architectural education from the ground up, how would you envision it to be?

Join the workshop and lecture series:
(Re)Think and Design Architectural Education

10.30 – 11.00

Registration and opening

11.00-11.15

Introduction, **Wytze Patijn**, dean Faculty of Architecture, Delft University of Technology

11.15-11.45

Lecture, **Michael Shamiyeh**, DOM Research Laboratory, Kunstuniversitaet Linz

11.45-12.15

Lecture, **Wolf D. Prix**, Coop Himmelb(l)au, University of Applied Arts Vienna

12.15-12.45

Introduction to the workshop, **Andrew Bullen**, The Media Guild, Amsterdam

13.00-16.00

Workshop

16.00-17.00

Results, debate and feedback

Moderator, **Ole Bouman** and invited guests.