

Architects

CENTRAL OFFICE FOR ARCHITECTURE AND URBANISM

Description

CENTRAL is an architecture and urban planning office based in Brussels. CENTRAL was founded in 2015 by four partners who gained their experience respectively in Belgian and foreign offices (XDGA, BevkPerovi?, B-architects, AUC, V+). Today, Radim Louda, Paul Mouchet and Valentin Piret are together developing a practice where they explore the blurred boundaries between the different scales of the architectural discipline. The young office is experiencing a growing recognition in the field with projects characterized by a systemic approach to architecture, the city and the territory at different scales. In addition, CENTRAL is active in the cultural and academic sectors. Indeed, they have participated on several occasions in international exhibitions such as the Venice Architecture Biennale, the Biennale of Architecture and Landscape of Ile-de-France (BAP) or the International Biennale of Rotterdam (IABR). They regularly give lectures and workshops in several European universities and teach at La Cambre-Horta in Brussels and at ENSA in Versailles.



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OTHER PROJECTS :

Creation

2015

Associates

Radim Louda
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Awards

2020 - Nominated for the European Mies Van der Rohe Award
2021 for the IMAL project, Center for Arts, Technology,
Innovation and Inclusion in Brussels - association with NP2F

2019 - Invited for the Biennale d'Architecture et de Paysage
d'Ile-de-France, exhibition of the research project and
publication called: "Virtuous situations of the industrial past and
some ideas for the future climate metropolis".

2018 - Winner of the Héliport competition, urban and financial
opportunity study of a housing block on slab, Chaussée
d'Anvers in Brussels

2018 - Restricted competition for the construction of a new
logistics site for the SUEZ sorting center along the Brussels
canal

2018 - Winner of the international competition 'Outside the
Box' with the installation project EUROPA in the framework of
the 16th Venice Biennale

2017 - Winner of the competition for the redevelopment of
public spaces and the transformation of sports halls into
multi-purpose equipment in the Destrée district in Gilly
(Charleroi)

2017 - Winner in temporary association with the V+ office of
the Dilbeek Invitation Contest for the Open Oproep 32, Dom
Savio nursery and elementary school

2017 - 2nd place in the Condor invitation-only competition, 63

Atelier BXL Productive Metropolis
- 2016
- Brussels

Gilly - EUROPAN 13 - co-runner up
- 2015
- Gilly (Charleroi)

President - roof pavilion
- 2015 2020
- Bruxelles

Gilly
- 2017
- Gilly

IMAL
- 2016
- Bruxelles

housing units in Brussels (association V+ - Bevk Perovic
Arhitekti, CENTRAL representative)

2016 - Winner of the open competition for a special school in
Templeuve organized by the Wallonia-Brussels Federation

2016 - Winner of the invitational competition for a research by
project named 'Workshop Brussels Productive Metropolis' in the
framework of the 'International Architecture Biennale
Rotterdam' - IABR 2016 - The Next Economy

2016 - Winner of the competition by invitation for the
realization of the new digital arts center of Brussels IMAL
(association NP2F, CENTRAL mandatary)

2016 - Co-winner of the EUROPAN 13 open competition for
the redevelopment of the Place Destrée district in Gilly,
Charleroi

2015 - 2nd place in the competition for the urban design of
the E. Coppéeaan in Genk in the framework of the Open
Oproep 29 (collaboration 2001)

Publications

Virtuous situations from the industrial past and some ideas for
the 'Climatic Metropolis' to come - Cases of Brussels and Paris,
Biennale d'Architecture et de Paysage d'Ile-de-France, APE - Art
Paper Editions, 2018