2014 Student Design Competition “Integrated Communities: A Society for All Ages”

Results to be Announced at the
”Cities of Tomorrow: Inclusion, Technology, Arts and Resources”
High-Level Working Session
During 52nd Commission for Social Development
United Nations Headquarters
Features 9 Winners from 7 Countries

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On 18 February the winners of the 2014 Student Design Competition “Integrated Communities: A Society for All Ages” will be announced and projects presented during the “Cities of Tomorrow: Inclusion, Technology, Arts and Resources” High-Level Session at United Nations Headquarters. Students are from schools of architecture in 7 countries: Brazil, China, Italy, Italy (project in Istanbul, Turkey), Ireland, Kosovo, Sudan, United Kingdom (project in Indore City, India).

The Competition has been organized by the International Council for Caring Communities in support of the 7th World Urban Forum to be held in Medellin, Colombia, 5-11 April 2014 and the MDGs. This Competition was established in 1994 in support of Habitat II as a bridge between research and practice endeavoring to prepare the next generation of students with the tools essential to enhance the quality of life for the fast growing “graying society.” Over 8,000 students from more than 50 countries have participated in the competitions.

2014 Competition Awards:
Individual winners: First prize $10,000: Anna Prokudina, Politecnico di Milano, Italy (project in Istanbul, Turkey); Second prize $5,000: Mayara Regina de Souza, Regional University of Blumenau, Brazil; Third prize $2,500: Anna Reidy, School of Architecture, Dublin Institute of Technology, Ireland; Honorable Mention: Manvi Vyas, University of Lincoln, United Kingdom (project in Indore City, India), and Ahmed Abdelsamei Shannan, University of Khartoum, Sudan.

Team winners: First prize: Jitao Bai, Jing Wang, Yang Wang and Sirui Wang, College of Architecture Xi’an Architecture and Technology, China; Second prize: Dafina Shllaku and Laura Shllaku, University of Prishtina, Kosovo; Third prize: Max Tirassa and Korinna Zinovia Weber, Universita degi Studi di Roma “Tor Vergata,” Italy, and Honorable Mention: Yan Zhaoyu, Cheng Zhao, Yi Renfei, Harbin Institute of Technology, People’s Republic of China.

This Competition is organized in conjunction with the United Nations Programme for Human Settlements (UN-HABITAT), the Programme on Ageing, Department of Economics and Social Affairs, Fortune Global Holding, Ltd; the private sector and endorsed by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture. The 2014 Competition Chair is Ms. Tingyu (Christine) Gong, Beijing, China and Vice Chairs are Hon. Eduardo Guimaraes, Former Secretary of International Relations for Parana and Curitiba, Brazil; Architect Daniel Libeskind, Studio Daniel Libeskind, USA, Switzerland and Italy; Dr. Gisela Loehlein, Associate Professor AUST University, UAE, Consultant Research + Development, Dubai, UAE, and Dean Urs Peter Gauchat, New Jersey School of Architecture and Design, New Jersey Institute of Technology, USA.

“The student designs succeed on several levels: their thoughtful research and responsiveness to the needs of older persons; the balance of creativity and practicality and ultimately, their youthful optimism which will benefit us all. The fast approaching “Agequake” makes it vital that this phenomenon of aging be studied and approached by students in a pro-active manner.” Professor Dianne Davis, Founding President, ICCC. For further information contact: ICCC, E-mail: icccworld@earthlink.net www.international-iccc.org