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Foster + Partners exhibition opens in Kuala Lumpur

'Foster + Partners: the Art of Architecture' will be staged at Galeri PETRONAS, Kuala Lumpur, from 7 March to 12 May 2013. The exhibition is the first major survey of the studio's work to be held in South East Asia and follows critically acclaimed recent shows in Hong Kong and Shanghai.

Arranged around the themes of infrastructure, high-rise, urban design, history and culture – all within the context of a sustainable agenda – the works on display highlight the incredible diversity of the practice's work. Details of a number of new projects underway in Malaysia will be revealed, including Arcoris Mont'Kiara and IB Tower, a 58-storey tower in the heart of Kuala Lumpur City Centre. The exhibition is also an opportunity to learn more about completed buildings, such as The Troika and Petronas University, winner of the 2007 Aga Khan Award for Architecture, as well as projects around the world, from the Millau Viaduct in France and London's Swiss Re headquarters to the latest design for the eco-city at Masdar, Abu Dhabi.

Visitors can learn more about the integrated design process, in which architects, engineers and specialist in-house teams work closely alongside each other; the principles of sustainability that underpin every project; as well as the use of different tools and technology. While the computer has revolutionised the way designers work, the language of drawing and model making still play an important role. Through sketches, models and a special exhibit exploring the process from first client meeting to completed building and post-occupancy studies, 'Foster + Partners: the Art of Architecture' will offer a unique insight into the workings of the studio.

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