

Press release

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2011 RIBA Norman Foster Travelling Scholarship open for entries

The 2011 RIBA Norman Foster Travelling Scholarship is launched today and invites applications from RIBA-accredited schools of architecture around the world. A £6,000 grant will be awarded to one student by a panel of judges which includes Lord Foster and the President of the RIBA.

First established in 2006, the scholarship is now in its fifth year and is intended to fund international research on a topic related to the survival of our towns and cities, in a location of the students choice. Past RIBA Norman Foster Scholars travelled through the Americas, Europe, Africa, South East Asia, the Middle and the Far East, and Russia. Proposals for research might include: learning from the past to inform the future; the future of society; the density of settlements; sustainability; the use of resources; the quality of urban life; and transport.

Lord Foster said:

We were greatly impressed with the breadth and quality of last years entries, but the proposals that really stood out for the jury were focused, setting out clear aims and looking afresh at a current issue. I look forward to seeing the many creative ways in which students will develop their research proposals early next year.

The deadline for submissions is Tuesday 1 March 2011. Further details and an application form can be downloaded from the RIBA website.

Notes to editors:

Past recipients of the RIBA Norman Foster Travelling Scholarship:

2010: In Search of Cold Spaces a study of northern public space by Andrew Mackintosh, Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, UK

2009: Ancestral Cities, Ancestral Sustainability by Amanda Rivera, University de Bio Bio, Chile

2008: The Role of Public Transport in Shaping Sustainable Humane Habitats: Case Studies Across Three Continents by Faizan Jawed Siddiqi, Rizvi College of Architecture, Mumbai, India

2007: Emerging East: Exploring and Experiencing the Asian Communist City by Ben Masterton-Smith, UCL, London, UK

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