

Press release

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**Lord Foster honoured with Prince of Asturias award**

Lord Foster is to be the 29th laureate of the prestigious Prince of Asturias award for the Arts, it was announced today and will be formally presented with the prize at a ceremony in October in Oviedo, presided over by H.R.H The Prince of Asturias, heir to the throne of Spain. The awards, which were instigated by the Prince of Asturias Foundation in 1981, recognise scientific, technical, cultural, social and humanistic work carried out at an international level by individuals, institutions, groups of people or groups of institutions whose achievements are exemplary at an international level.

"I am thrilled to accept the Prince of Asturias Award. It is a tremendous honour and a wonderful recognition of the importance of design as a catalyst in improving the quality of life. I would also like to thank the many collaborators and esteemed colleagues who share this achievement with me."

**Norman Foster, Founder and Executive Chairman**

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