Landscape Forum Bucharest

21st to 25th of April 2015

Hosted by:

- Ion Mincu University for Architecture and Urbanism
- University of Agronomical Sciences and Veterinary Medicine
- ASOP Romanian Association of Landscape Architecture
- APUR Professional Association of Romanian Urban Planners


The Landscape Forum Bucharest

The focal area of the Bucharest forum is the chain of lakes along the river Colentina, which has huge potential for the sustainable development of Romania’s capital city.

The Colentina landscape represents high relevance for the forum’s **four** focal themes:

- **Urban growth and peri-urban sprawl**: the urban periphery
- **Sustainable tourism and recreation**: visions for landscape regeneration through tourism development
- **Heritage and identities**: permanence, patrimony, specificity and dynamics of landscape identities
- **Rural fringe and productive landscapes**: multifunctional rural landscapes and the economic dimension

The four themes will be explored by workshops, excursions, keynote lectures and roundtable discussions during the four main forum days.

**Additional activities prior to the forum:**

- **Call for posters**: 15th of December 2014 – 28th of February 2015
- **eLectures**: preparative online lectures in March and April 2015
- **Pre-forum Promenade**: a journey to the Carpathian landscape with a focus on eco-tourism (19th - 21st of April)
- **Doctoral Colloquium**: focus on landscape research approaches (21st of April)
- **Additional workshops** will be announced via the forum website
Objectives of the Landscape Forum

What makes the LE:NOTRE Landscape Forum different from other European landscape events is the focus on dialogue, debate and discourse. It provides a unique opportunity to interact creatively with colleagues from a range of landscape disciplines in informal workshop and field visit settings. The aim is to create stimulating environment to promote the generation of both new teaching ideas and projects, for research and for collaboration between theory and practice. A joint publication will result from the meeting, to which all participants will contribute. To date, the forum has been organized three times: Antalya (2012), Rome (2013), Sarajevo (2014).

Target audience

Participation in the Forum by teachers and researchers from a range of different ‘landscape-related’ disciplines as well as practitioners is central to the interdisciplinary process of discourse and mutual learning which is at its heart.

The forum addresses the following target groups:

- Researchers, professionals and educators of all landscape-related disciplines. This includes landscapes that might be considered outstanding as well as everyday or degraded landscapes, according to the European Landscape Convention.

- Disciplines addressed are: landscape, urban and regional planning, architecture, geography, agriculture, forestry, political and social sciences, history and cultural sciences, tourism and economy, traffic and infrastructure planning, engineering, water engineering, nature protection and ecology

- Sectors addressed: public sector: administrations, local and regional authorities, teaching and research, non-governmental associations, private sector: offices and consultancies, industries and real estate

Background of the Landscape Forum and the LE:NOTRE Institute

The LE:NOTRE institute has been established under the auspices of ECLAS, the European Council of Landscape Architecture Schools, as an umbrella organisation for interdisciplinary collaboration between education, research and innovative practice in the landscape field.

The goal of the LE:NOTRE Institute is to develop and strengthen the links between landscape education, research and innovative practice, in the public, private and not for profit sectors.

It aims to achieve this by furthering and facilitating communication, collaboration and cross-fertilisation of ideas on an interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral basis, in order to promote the wider and deeper understanding of the cultural, environmental, social and economic role of the landscape for the benefit and well-being of society as a whole.

Forum participants are invited to become members of the LE:NOTRE Institute.

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