ARCHITECTURAL COMPETITION

"RETHINK ATHENS – TOWARDS A NEW CITY CENTRE"

MINUTES

of the Meeting of the second stage Jury

dated 16-18th February 2013

In Athens, on February 16th – 17th – 18th 2013, the second stage jury of the Architectural Competition “Rethink Athens-Towards a New City Centre”, convened at the premises of the Onassis Cultural Centre and the Onassis Foundation in Athens.

All members of the jury were present as follows (in alphabetical order):

1. Amourgis, Spyros
   President, Athens School of Fine Arts, Greece

2. Busquets, Joan
   Martin Bucksbaum Professor in Practice of Urban Planning and Design, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., USA

3. Hrausky, Andrej
   Director and Manager, DESSA architecture gallery in Ljubljana, Slovenia

4. Kaminis, Georgios
   Mayor of Athens, Greece

5. Masson Zanussi, Yvette
   Inspector, Ministry of Culture and Communication, Paris, France, Head of the European Forum for Architecture Policies (EFAP) office, Brussels, Belgium

6. Panetsos, Georgios A.
   Professor of Architecture and Urban Design, former Chair of the Department of Architecture, University of Patras, Greece

7. Papadimitriou, Anthony, Dr
   President, Onassis Foundation,

8. Schmial, Peter Cachola, Chairman of the Jury,
   Director, Deutsches Architekturmuseum (DAM), Frankfurt, Germany

9. Zardini, Mirko
   Executive Director and Chief Curator, Canadian Centre for Architecture (CCA), Montreal, Canada

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1 Mr. George Lappas, professor of sculpture at the Athens School of Fine Arts, has been unable to participate and has been replaced by Mr. Andrej Hrausky, Architect and Director of the DESSA architecture gallery in Ljubljana, Slovenia.
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The Members of the Second Stage Jury confirmed Mr. Peter Cachola Schmal as Chairman of the Jury. Dr Anthony Papadimitriou informed the Jury on the organization of the competition, and the history and the current state of the project in detail.

Mr George Kaminis recognized the great importance of the project for the revitalization of the centre of the city of Athens and shared some considerations as to the competition and its follow up.

Afterwards, the Second Stage Jury proceeded to the detailed examination of all nine (9) proposals individually and in comparison. During a lengthy discussion the Jury noted the merits and failings of each project in accordance with the design evaluation criteria described in Article 19 of the Competition Notice and the additional qualification requirements and guidelines that the first stage Jury proposed to be annexed to the terms and conditions of the second stage of the competition.

Then the Jury proceeded to a comparative evaluation and ranking of all nine (9) proposals and came to a unanimous decision on the following ranking:

First prize: AB30273512 - Euros Seventy Two Thousand (€ 72,000.-)

Second prize: MB24857133 - Euros Fifty Two Thousand and Eight Hundred (€ 52,800.-)

The Jury unanimously agreed on not awarding a third prize.

Instead, two ex aequo Special Mentions were awarded to entries AA00000000 and DH17231721, that will be sharing the amount of Euros Thirty Five Thousand and Two Hundred (€ 35,200.), divided into Euros Seventeen Thousand and Six Hundred for each (€ 17,600.-). The total amount corresponds to the predetermined amount for the 3rd prize.

The Jury also recommended that the Onassis Foundation award a Commendation to entry LL00000000 prizéd with Euros Ten Thousand (€10,000.-) and the Onassis Foundation agreed.

The Jury unanimously decided that the following entries did not qualify for a prize or mention and ranked them as follows:

VW12781674
BA27538882
LJ74914791
CA71195197

In reference to the proposal that has been awarded first prize AB30273512 the jury considered the following:

The Project able to integrate a clear proposal for the boulevard and plazas into the larger system of urban spaces and landscape of Central Athens. It deploys a vision that can be extended to nearby spaces in the near future showing the potential of refurbishment for the entire city center.

The project acknowledges the basic rules of the city and plays with its classical character. Through the right selection of urban elements – like design of pavement, choice of greenery, value of lighting, etc. – it is able to subtly re-introduce urban quality into the city and help induce new civic uses which may effectively contribute to the enhancement of social cohesion.
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The project takes advantage of existing important buildings so as to create interesting conditions for the design. It also appropriately integrates environmental provisions in the urban treatment that will effectively make the area quite appealing, inviting to stay, and sustainable in the long run.

The choice of the essential elements that constitute the project could facilitate the construction process and facilitate its maintenance.

The jury considers this project very successful in integrating all the different requirements and in responding to the design evaluation criteria described in article 19 of the Competition Notice, in a consistent and appropriate way.

The Jury would like to stress that the tramway tracks ought to be straight along the entire length of the Panepistimiou Blvd., and the arrangement of trees be kept in a common and continuous section. The Jury noticed that most proposals introduced soft green surfaces along the tramway tracks which is not appropriate for this particular situation.

Detailed comments have been made with regards with remaining eight (8) proposals.

Following the ranking of the projects the Chairman of the Jury invited the Competition Procedures Committee and asked them to deliver the sealed envelopes entrusted to the Notary Public's office at the beginning of the process in accordance to article 20.3 of the Competition Notice. The Notary, Mr. Konstantinos Konstantinou, comes in and hands the envelopes to the Competition Procedures Committee, whose members proceed with the opening of the envelopes and afterwards with the verification of their contents.

Following the verification of the Identity Files contained in the aforementioned envelopes, the Competition Procedures Committee confirmed that all contained documents were valid according to the provisions of the Competition Notice.

The Jury then proceeded and awarded the cash prizes.

According to the Identity Files the authors of the premiated proposals are identified as follows:

**FIRST PRIZE:**

AB30273512

Group Representative:

- ORRA LANDSCHAPSArchitecten BV (Martin Krujit)

Design Team:

- MIXST URBANISME (Ingeborg Thoral M Urib, BLA)
- WAGENINGEN UNIVERSITY, Department of Environmental Sciences, Landscape Architecture Group
  (Wiebe Klamm – Arian Steenbruggen – Bert Heusinkveld)
- STUDIO 75 (Stefanos Pantos – Kikkos)
- WSGreenTechnologies GmbH (Guilla Peretti – Michael Bruse – Thomas Wintersteller)

**SECOND PRIZE:**

MB24857133

Group Representative:

Iliou Kyraki

Group Members:

Iliou Kyraki
Karastax Iturrita Olhana
Gourgoukis Dimitrios
Tryfonidou Alkaterini
Vasilakis Fosis
Christophoridou Theodora

**SPECIAL MENTION (EX AEQUO):**

AA00000000

Group Representative:

Pradromos Nikiiforidis
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Group Members:
Prodromos Nikiforidis
Bernard Cuomo
Consultants
Arístides Klonítzakis
Dimitrios Bosís
Geránimos Kampilítsis

SPECIAL MENTION (EX AEQUO):

DH17231721
Group representative:
Anagnostakis Georgios
Group members:
Anagnostakis Georgios
Koumantou Chrysovala
Soci Gilanmaria
Thomidou Alkistis

COMMENDATION:

LL00000000
Group representative:
Aristide Antonas (Antonakakis)
Collaborators:
Katerina Koutsiogianni
Platon Issaïas
Project team:
Kristy Garikou
Alexandra Vougia
Consultant:
Kostis Kazamikakis

FIRST RUNNER UP:

VW12781674
Group Representative:
Sillke Volkart / SIMA Architecture + Urbanism
Group Members:
Magnus Weightman
Francesco Garofalo/Openfabric
Barbara Constantino
Consultants
Wolf Mangelsdorf/Buro Happold Ltd
Philippe Cabane
Sub-Consultants
Dromos Consulting

SECOND RUNNER UP:

BAZ7538882
Group representative:
Harry C. Bougadellis and Associate Architects S.A. AETER Architects
Team Members:
Harry C. Bougadellis and Associate Architects S.A. AETER Architects
Georgios Batzios
Martha Schwartz, Martha Schwartz Partners Ltd
Consultants
Ruedi Baur Laboratoire IRB
Yann Kersale Atelier AIK
WSP UK LIMITED
Peter Economides, FELIX BNI SA
Vassili Metaxas
Harris Bistos
Eleni Papanaastasiou
LDK Engineering Consultants SA
Periklis Vastarouchas
Hellinis Meletistí SA
Antonios Skordilis
Sagik Barbarian
Konstantinos Fousekis
Androniki Ermidou
Eirini Rouai
3G Energy, G. ILIADIS and CO

THIRD RUNNER UP:

IJ74914791
Group Representative:
Zomas Alexandros
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Team Members:
Zomas Alexandros
Moyssiadis Dimos
Papavasileiou Maris

FOURTH RUNNER UP:

CA71195197
ABM ARQUITECTOS, Alvarez Blanco – Morugan
Architectos SLP (Luis A. Alvarez Alfonso – Alejandro Blanco Callejo – Fernando Morugan Lucas)

UTOPIAN PROPOSAL AWARD (FIRST STAGE):

KM11223344
Group Representative:
- Kostas Tsilambas
Group Members:
- Kostas Tsilambas
- Myrto Kourti

REDEMPTION (FIRST STAGE EX AEQUO):

AF28031991
Group Representative:
- Matrakidou Anna
Group Members:
- Matrakidou Anna
- Poukas Georgios
- Fouska Angeliki Eleni
- Vassilaki Mariandi
- Sfyla Marla
- Angelou Margarita
- Zografou Theodorakopoulou Myrsini
- Mantoussi Spiridoula

REDEMPTION (FIRST STAGE EX AEQUO):

TS1776110989
Group Representative:
- Henri Bava
Design Team:
- AGENCE TER ARCHITECTURES (Henri Bava - Ho-Tin-Noe)
Design Team:
- MXARCHITECTURE (Emmanuel Choupis)
- AGENCETER.DE (Henri Bava)

REDEMPTION (FIRST STAGE EX AEQUO):

YS44881940
Group Representative:
- Yehr Suh
Group Members:
- Yehr Suh
- Yeung Shin
- Jeremy Babel
- Kyrilkas Kasabals

At this point, the meetings of the Jury are concluded and the present minutes are signed as follows:

SPYROS AMOURGIS

JOAN BUSQUETS

ANDREJ HRAUSKY

GEORGIOS KAMINIS

YVETTE MASSON ZANUSSI

GEORGIOS PANETSOS

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