



UIA World Congress Torino 2008

XXIII UIA World Congress Torino 2008
Transmitting Architecture
29th June – 3rd July 2008

UIA Congresses

A triennial event

The International Union of Architects organizes a world Congress once every three years, a fundamental point of reference for architects and students of architecture who flock in their thousands to take part in debates focusing on subject matters of great relevance to the practice of their profession.

The UIA Congress brings together people from every nation around the world, it deals with an overall theme chosen in advance and the hosting city is responsible for its preparation.

Debates, exhibitions, visits and festivals provide a unique platform for the exchange of cultural contacts between fellow professionals and students. The Congress always concludes with the approval and publication of a final paper summarizing the work of those having participated in the Congress.

Transmitting Architecture

The overall theme

In 2002 at the UIA Berlin Congress, Torino was the first Italian city nominated to organize the 23rd UIA Congress based on the overall theme of "Transmitting Architecture". Architecture which communicates and is communicated, in all manners and in all locations, involving every aspect of a profession which deals, on a daily basis, with the quality of life, the landscape and the environment.

It is along these lines that the 21 members of the Scientific Committee will guide all the activities of both the Congress itself and additional events.

Transmitting Architecture: past, present and future

The Working Sessions of the Congress will take place from the 30th of June to the 2nd of July. Each day of the Congress is devoted to the specific interpretation of one of the three aspects of the concept of *Transmitting Architecture* identified by the Scientific Committee as in the following grid:

30 th June	1 st July	2 nd July
Past	Present	Future
Culture	Democracy	Hope



This will be done through a wide range of meetings (*Talks*) in which architects, speakers and experts of worldwide level in different disciplines will meet and construct an interdisciplinary discussion.

In addition to these meetings there is a vast array of preparatory Sessions for in-depth examination of the topic for the day (*Main Sessions, Specialist Sessions*). The Main Sessions and the Specialist Sessions will be established also thanks to the selected contributions by the international Call for Papers.

The programme will be enriched by the presence of *Living Spaces*, independent meetings and appointments hosted within the Congress.





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Trasmettere la Città Sostenibile **Transmitting Sustainable Cities** **Off Congress Official Event**

The XXIII UIA World Congress Torino 2008 is a unique occasion that has been used by the local institutions to stipulate a wide protocol agreement that collects many private and public actors around the theme of the urban sustainability within the framework of the project "Transmitting Sustainable Cities"

The direction and the development of the initiatives are entrusted to an International Scientific Committee composed by: Pier Giorgio TURI (IT) general reporter, Piero BIANUCCI (IT), Chiel BOONSTRA (NL), Peter BRANDON (UK), Mario CUCINELLA (IT), Steve CURWELL (UK), Antida GAZZOLA (IT), Alessandro GIANGRANDE (IT), Thomas HERZOG (D), Andreas KIPAR (D), Luca MERCALLI (IT), Joao Antonio NUNES (P), Enzo SCANDURRA (IT), Gianni SCUDO (IT), Rafael SERRA (E), Rymal SMITH (CAN), Alex TOMBAZIS (GR).

Joined by a Local Scientific Committee composed by: Liliana BAZZANELLA, Gabriele BOVO, Marisa CORTESE, Luigina CARERE, Gianluca COSMACINI, Egidio DANSERO, Luigi FAZZARI, Giovanni FERRERO, Gianfranco FIORA, Agata FORTUNATO, Daniela GROGNARDI, Sergio JARETTI, Evasio LAVAGNO, Patrizia LOMBARDI, Giulio MONDINI, Ippolito OSTELLINO, Roberto PAGANI, Massimo PASQUERO, Attilia PEANO, Paolo PERIS, Giuseppe PORTOLESE, Raphael ROSSI, Federico SAPORITI, Sergio VIALE, Carla VILLARI.

The event "Transmitting Sustainable Cities" will be present in the Congress with related initiatives:

↘ **The Main Session "Transmitting Sustainable Cities"**

A reflection about the development perspectives of the contemporary city through a comparison among cities and architects that, in different parts of the world and in different conditions, have faced the theme of the urban sustainable transformations.

↘ **The Special Session Sustainable Cities and Covenant of Mayors**

Session dedicated to the "Covenant of Mayors" launched by the European Community to reduce within 2020 the CO₂ emissions. Presentation of strategies and technologies toward an action plan.

↘ **Special Event Covenant**

Press conference of pioneer cities of the Covenant of Mayors.

↘ **Special Event Concerto**

Concerto Workshop: the cities of Concerto European Community compare themselves.

↘ **The Exhibition "Transmitting Sustainable Cities"**

An exhibition path among urban contexts and international communities that are facing the urban sustainable development themes.





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Trasmettere la Città Sostenibile – Transmitting Sustainable Cities Main Session - 2nd of July

The Session Transmitting Sustainable Cities will be realized on the 2nd of July 2008 in the third day of the works of the XXIII UIA World Congress Torino 2008, dedicated to the theme of Hope and Future.

The aim is to compare experiences developed in cities which have faced the theme of the urban sustainable development to propose a comparison that will wonder the impact and the result of sustainable transformations on a large scale carried on in different contexts.

This will be an occasion to verify the state of the art of projecting and building in a sustainable way in the fields of architecture, urban planning and infrastructures at an international level.

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First part

Sustainable Cities

To deepen and compare policies of cities that have faced the complex relation between urban development and environmental sustainability.

Moderator

Gianfranco Bologna

Scientific director of WWF Italia – General Secretary of Fondazione Aurelio Peccei Sezione Italiana del Club di Roma (to be defined)

European Community

Fabrizio Barbaso

Deputy Director-General of the European Commission for the Energy and Transport sector (confirmed)

Concerto programme and the Covenant of Mayors

Ministero Ambiente

Corrado Clini

Direttore Generale Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Tutela del Territorio (to be defined)

The commitment of Italy in the Covenant of Mayors

Torino – Italia

Sergio Chiamparino

Mayor of the City of Torino (to be defined)

Torino, pioneer city of the Covenant of Mayors

New York – USA

Rohit Aggarwala

Director of the Mayor's Office for Long-term Planning and Sustainability

The PlaNYC

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Daniel Chain, Minister of Public Works and Urban Equipment of the City of Buenos Aires

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Silvia De Schiller, Director of the Research Center “Habitat y Energia”

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Second part

Architects for Sustainable Cities

Experiences of architects who, in different contexts, through their work have transmitted and are transmitting the themes and the values of sustainability in the contemporary city.

Moderator

Gianfranco Bologna (to be defined)

Scientific director of WWF Italia

Brasil

Jaime Lerner (confirmed)

Curitiba experience

Italy

Mario Cucinella (confirmed)

The project TCS for new cities and new way of inhabiting

China

Architect representative of Jiangsu province (to be defined)

Jiangsu province experience

Great Britain

Michael Hopkins (confirmed)

1996 – 2008: from the European Chart of Energy to the sustainable city of the third millennium

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Concerto and Covenant of Mayors @ TCS - UIA2008

On the 29th of January 2008 the European Commission launched the “Covenant of Mayors”; in that occasion has been proposed to organize the first step of this initiative during the UIA World Congress Torino 2008.

This proposal has been accepted with great interest by the chairmanship of the World Congress and has been realized within the framework of the events of the project “Transmitting Sustainable Cities”.

The City of Torino and the President of the World Congress, by agreement with the European Community, have declared their willingness to invite in this occasion the European cities interested in the Covenant of Mayors.

The presence of the Covenant of Mayors theme in the framework of the project “Transmitting Sustainable Cities” is organized in different coordinated moments.





Special Event – 1st July Concerto Workshop

The opening of the initiatives promoted by the European Commission is going to happen on the 1st of July with a workshop of the Concerto Communities invited in Torino to make a comparison about the progress of the projects in the framework of the programme financed by the European Community.

Coordinator

Jean Marie Bemtgen

Directorate General Energy and Transport – European Commission

Participants

POLYCITY (Ostfildern, DE / Cerdanyola, ES / Torino, IT)

ECOSTILER (Amsterdam New West, NL / London Southwark, UK / Måbjerg, DK)

SESAC (Växjö, SE)

CONCERTO AL PIANO (Alessandria, IT / Porto, PT)

STACCATO (Sofia, BU)

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Round Table 1

CONCERTO strategies for a sustainable city

Moderator: representative of European Commission

Round Table 2

“Low Energy Buildings”

Moderator: representative of Italian Ministry of the Environment

Round Table 3

Integration between demand and supply of energy

Moderator: representative of Concerto Plus

Discussion and conclusions

Moderator: representative of Concerto Plus

Special Session – 2nd of July

Sustainable Cities and Covenant of Mayors

Strategies and technologies for an action plan

On the 2nd of July 2008, following the Main Session “Transmitting Sustainable Cities”, there will be a special session dedicated to the contents of the Covenant of Mayors and to the presentation of meaningful examples of cities that have realized urban transformation interventions based on sustainable criteria. The experiences presented will be the occasion to start a comparison toward the construction of an Action Plan as a tool to implement the Covenant of Mayors.

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Pedro Ballesteros

Directorate General Energy and Transport – European Commission

The Covenant of Mayors: the position of the European Community

Virginia Bombelli

Italian Ministry of the Environment, Contact Person for SEE Campaign

The cooperation between European Community and the Member countries

Strategies and technologies experience for an action plan

Presentation of approaches towards an action plan for the Covenant of Mayors

Special Event – Press Conference





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Pioneer Italian cities of the Covenant of Mayors

The Mayors of the pioneer Italian Cities (Torino, Milano, Venezia, Roma, Alessandria, Lodi), during the World Congress UJA Torino 2008, will announce their adhesion and present their strategies for the Covenant of Mayors.

Coordinator

Antonio Lumicisi

Italian Ministry of the Environment, Coordinator of the SEE Campaign

Participants

The mayor of the cities of Torino, Milano, Venezia, Roma, Alessandria, Lodi

(to be defined)

Exhibition

Concept of the exhibition

During the days of the XXIII UJA World Congress Torino 2008 (29th June - 3rd July 2008) the project "Transmitting Sustainable Cities" will be present at the international event even through an international thematic exhibition.

The exhibition constitutes an opportunity to establish partnership with many urban contexts and international community that have faced the themes of the urban sustainable development.

