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# **Ordre des Architectes et des Ingénieurs-Conseils**

## **Presented new launches at MIPIM\* 2017 Cannes:**

# NEW BOOK: "Design First - Build Smart", WEBSITE + FILM: www.laix.lu

## Sustainable buildings worldwide by Luxembourgish Architects and Consulting Engineers



### New OAI initiative: export its members' expertise

The focus of the book lies firstly on projects dealing with contextual issues realized worldwide. The second part of the publication shows the know-how from OAI members in certified ecological buildings in Luxembourg. Besides the printed matter, the collected data is available online, <u>www.laix.lu</u>.

### Good reasons to work worldwide with OAI members

Luxembourg, with its central position in Europe, always attracted a broad cultural diversity, creating new needs in the development of the built environment. This development acted as a real incubator for the dynamic growth in the building industry over the last decades. Luxembourgish architects, interior architects, consulting engineers, urban designers and master planners and landscape architects / landscape engineers benefitted from the vibrant environment to sharpen their ability to adapt quickly to new circumstances. Their multilingualism and their international experience acquired by studying in diverse countries equally served to build a reputation within the Greater Region expanding through Europe. Also participating in architectural competitions and symposia proves an entrepreneurial drive can be felt among Luxembourgish architects and consulting engineers.

The essence of Architects' and Consulting Engineers' profession embraces certain quality labels such as guaranteeing independence and ethics, defending public interest and interests of clients and users, integrity, being prepared to carry out principles of circular economy, promoting new tools like BIM and assuming responsibilities within the cradle-to-cradle issues. Luxembourg is therefore an ideal think tank for new ways of living smart technologies and innovative processes and collaborations.

<sup>\*</sup>MIPIM: The premier real estate event, gathers the most influential players from all sectors of the international property industry for four days of networking, learning and transaction through premium events, conferences and dedicated exhibition zones.

In order to support its members, the OAI actively promotes their produced quality for our environment. Beyond its missions as a legal body, as a professional organisation and as an institution of public interest, the OAI enhances the real dimension of its members' work at an economic, social, artistic and cultural level, to attain a sustainable, smart and high quality living environment.

### **Upcoming actions**

- The second edition of the book will be presented in 2020 at The World Expo in Dubai.
- Updated Website <u>www.laix.lu</u>: OAI-members are free to submit their newest realizations at any time in order to
  update the OAI database "member projects" on a semi-annual basis, every April 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Making of the book

After a call for project submissions to all OAI members, the featured realizations have been extracted from the online OAI database.

Stay curious while discovering Luxembourgish architecture, engineering and urbanism.



Download the documents (book, flyer and film) from <u>www.laix.lu</u> Contact : Katrijn Van Damme <u>secretariat@oai.lu</u> If needed, more books are available at the OAI Secretariat on request: <u>oai@oai.lu</u>



About the OAI and its members a strong, reliable, creative and ingenious pillar of our society

The Order of Architects and Consulting Engineers official mission, established by Luxembourgish law, is to guarantee the enforcement of rights and duties specifically linked to public interests covered by the 5 OAI professions: architects, interior architects, consulting engineers, urban designers and master planners, and landscape architects / landscape engineers.

#### A very dynamic and growing sector

Since 1990, the number offices has almost tripled for architects (484 in 2017) and quadrupled for consulting engineers (185 in 2017).

These offices established in Luxembourg employ more than 4.400 people.

#### 3 OAI missions: legal, professional, cultural.

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More information: www.oai.lu, www.laix.lu, www.architectour.lu.

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