

Press information

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Jury for the Erich Mendelsohn Award 2023 for Brick Architecture appointed

International architecture panel honors the best brick buildings

Berlin. Eight renowned jurors will evaluate the projects submitted to the Erich Mendelsohn Award 2023 for Brick Architecture. The two juries for the five categories and the Newcomer Award will meet on June, 20 and 21, in Berlin.

The Award for Brick Architecture has gained international relevance in its 15 years of existence, reflecting the broad diversity of design possibilities with this traditional yet sustainable building material. The new namesake, Erich Mendelsohn, expresses this development in the sixth round of the Award: He is one of the most influential architects of modernism, having worked far beyond the borders of Germany – from England to Palestine and the United States. In the last round of the Award for Brick Architecture in 2020, for the first time two Grand Prix were awarded – to the Catalan office **Barozzi Veiga** and **Escobedo Soliz** from Mexico. The participation of both architecture offices in this year's jury session gives the panel a strong international reputation.

For **Susanne Wartzeck**, President of the Bund Deutscher Architektinnen und Architekten BDA, this is her second time participating in the jury: "The high quality of the global submissions and the creative use of the building material have already impressed me at the last jury session. I am looking forward to seeing many new projects that boldly and surprisingly showcase brick." In total, the following five experts were appointed to the jury:

- Susanne Wartzeck, President of the Bund Deutscher Architektinnen und Architekten BDA
- Ulrich Brinkmann, Editor of Bauwelt
- Fabrizio Barozzi, Barozzi Veiga, Grand Prix Winner 2020
- Andrés Solíz Paz, Escobedo Soliz, Grand Prix Winner 2020
- Silvia Schellenberg-Thaut, Atelier ST



For the fourth time now, the Newcomer Award recognizes projects by students and emerging architects. As editor-in-chief of the architecture magazine Baumeister, which presents the Newcomer Award in partnership with the Initiative Bauen mit Backstein, **Dr. Fabian Peters** is particularly looking forward to submissions from young talents: "We are excited when young architects look into the traditional building material of brick." The three-member Newcomer jury consists of:

- Benedikt Hotze, Press officer, Bund Deutscher Architektinnen und Architekten BDA
- Franziska Käuferle, Franziska Käuferle Architecture, Newcomer Winner 2020
- Dr. Fabian Peters, Editor-in-chief of Baumeister

The independent juries decide in a two-stage and anonymized selection process: After the nomination of the best projects from all submissions, the winners of the competition are selected in a second round. The Erich Mendelsohn Award 2023 for Brick Architecture is endowed with a total of 10.000 Euro and is awarded in the following categories:

- public buildings, recreation and sport
- residential building/apartment complex
- office and commercial buildings
- detached house/semi-detached house

Additional awards will be given for:

renovation/sustainability/energy efficiency

In September, the award ceremony will take place in Berlin. The prize money will be distributed proportionally among the Grand Prix Winner and the Gold Winners of each category. The allocation is the discretion of the jury.

The Award for Brick Architecture, established in 2008, is bestowed every three years and has become one of the largest architecture awards since that time. Since 2011, the competition has been jointly announced by the Initiative Bauen mit Backstein and the Bund Deutscher Architektinnen und Architekten BDA. Submissions for the Erich Mendelsohn Award 2023 for Brick Architecture are possible via the online submission portal until April, 30: erich-mendelsohn-preis.com/de/entry

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Caption: The Initiative Bauen mit Backstein appointed five experts to the jury of the Erich Mendelsohn Award 2023 for Brick Architecture: Susanne Wartzeck, Ulrich Brinkmann, Fabrizio Barozzi, Andrés Solíz Paz and Silvia Schellenberg-Thaut (left to right).

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Caption: For the fourth time, the Newcomer Award is presented in 2023. Benedikt Hotze, Franziska Käuferle and Dr. Fabian Peters (left to right) were appointed to the newcomer jury.

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