



## ARCHITECTS ARE LOOKING FOR GLOBAL TALENT.



The Winner of INSPIRELI AWARDS 2015, Jakub Hoffman, a student of the Faculty of architecture, Technical University in Prague, Czech Republic, with the winning trophy "Wings to the Future" designed by world recognized architect and designer Bořek Šípek. | Photo: INSPIRELI

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**INSPIRELI – the social network for young architects, announces the launch of the 2016 competition to recognize the best young architects in the world.**

The international social network INSPIRELI kicks off its second annual global contest for aspiring students of architecture and design, as well as young architects and designers. INSPIRELI AWARDS 2016 is open to all under the age of 35 by submitting an application by November 30, 2016.

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Following the first of future annual contests in 2015, **INSPIRELI AWARDS** was ranked among the world's most successful international competitions of young talent in architecture and design.

INSPIRELI AWARDS is supported by the International Union of Architects (UIA), The Honorable Andrej Kiska, President of Slovakia, Mgr. Kateřina Valachová, Ph.D., Minister of Education of the Czech Republic, Department of Youth and Sports, as well as the Slovak Association of Architects.

Renowned personalities and organizations comprise the more than one hundred architects and designers who will preselect this year's INSPIRELI AWARDS. Amongst them: François Valentino, Radan Hubička, Josef Pleskot, Paolo Piva, Petr Kolář and Atsushi Kitagawara.

The finalists will be selected by this jury alongside public experts as well as INSPIRELI social network users. The 50 contestants whose photos receive the most votes advance to the finals.

As in the first annual contest, this year an overall winner will be preselected by participating public experts and the jury. The prize winner will be preselected in a public vote by the registered INSPIRELI users.

The finalists, the jury and the official guests will receive an invitation to the prestigious INSPIRELI AWARDS gala ceremony. The winner will receive the unique challenge cup „**Wings to the Future**“ designed by world recognized architect and designer Bořek Šípek (\*13. 2. 2016). The INSPIRELI AWARDS 2016 ceremony will take place in February 2017 in Prague, Czech Republic.

INSPIRELI AWARDS organizers estimate that there are more than 1,000 universities worldwide with a focus on architecture and design. "In 2015, more than 250 contestants, from 45 universities representing over 25 countries participated in the contest. And this is just the beginning," explains Ing. Karel Smejkal, Ph.D., President and co-founder of the **INSPIRELI** project. "In 2016 we are expecting a significant increase in the number of contestants. Students and graduates all over the world are looking for various venues to present their work to the general and professional public. INSPIRELI AWARDS is a unique opportunity for all of them. Free. Convenient. Effective. And powerful in its impact on both participant and public alike."

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### ABOUT THE PROJECT:

INSPIRELI is an initiative of the international social network of architecture and living, bringing together design and architecture professionals as well as the general public. Participants can view, share and comment on thousands of photos, and enhance their individual contact networks. INSPIRELI represents an unique platform to present the work of architects and designers to companies as well as to end users or consumers who can contact these professionals through their INSPIRELI profile.

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