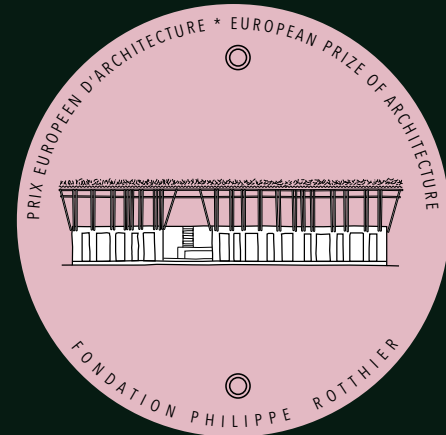


PRIX EUROPÉEN D'ARCHITECTURE EUROPEAN PRIZE
OF ARCHITECTURE

PHILIPPE ROTTHIER

2027





Școala de la Bunesti - Grand Prix Philippe Rotthier 2024
Architects Goilav & Guran.

Presentation

This triennial prize was founded in 1980, as an initiative of the Brussels-born Architect and sponsor Philippe Rotthier. It acknowledges personalities playing a key role in preserving and promoting urban culture.

The Prize has been awarded by the French architect François Spoerry (1912-1999), admired figure of the New Urbanism and architect of Port-Grimaud, the creation of l'architecture douce has been attributed to him. Eusebio Leal Spengler (1942-1999), Cuban historian, has been awarded this Prize due to its work in the restoration of the historical center of La Havana as well as the filmmaker Emir Kusturica, whose construction of the wooden-ethnical village of Küstendorf in Serbie has served as venue for the shooting of the film *La Vie est un miracle*. In 2024, the *Grand Prix Rotthier* was awarded to Școala de la Bunesti in Romania while the *Prix Rotthier pour l'Artisanat* was awarded to the carpenter Dirk Mortier.

The 15th edition of Philippe Rotthier European Prize of Architecture will take place in 2027 and it will recognize initiatives that leverage collective and cultural values, that rely on the genius of the European city, its dialogue with the past and history, its regional anchoring and the implementation of natural and durable materials.

Criteria 2027

The jury will be particularly attentive to projects that are locally based and seek to integrate rural and urban contexts by taking into account local practices. That make a maximum use possible of natural materials and ecological methods. That enhance surrounding public spaces like streets, paths, avenues and squares. That favor a variety of activities by means of integrated building functions and optimal building circulation. Ecological, energetical, economical aspects, as well as the territorial and landscape dimensions will be also taken into consideration. The Prize will be awarded to the architectural works realized during the last 5 years.

Jury composition, Prize and Honorable Mentions

The projects will be evaluated by an International Jury in the presence of Philippe Rotthier, Founder of the Prize. The International Jury will be presided and chaired by Arch. Maurice Culot. It will be composed of personalities with key experience in the field, including experts in Sustainable Architecture, academic representatives and architects awarded the Prize in 2024.

The results will be announced during the next months after the Jury Session. A total amount of 50,000 euros will be awarded as well to the selected projects. In addition to this, a special prize for craftsmanship will be awarded. The Jury may as well award honorable mentions to projects that meet the values of the *Fondation Philippe Rotthier pour l'Architecture* and that stand out for their contribution to the field of vernacular architecture.

The awarding architect, artisan or architectural association representative will be invited as a guest of honor to the 15th Edition of the Ceremony Award of the European Prize of Architecture Philippe Rotthier, to take place in Brussels in October 2027. Following Jury's decision, logistical and administrative information will be sent to the selected participants regarding participation in the Ceremony Award. The winning projects will be exhibited and published during the last trimester of 2027.

Ceremony Award and Exhibition

The Launch of the call for entries is foreseen for September 2026 and it will remain open until April 2027. Following the Jury sessions in June 2027 *Fondation Philippe Rotthier pour l'Architecture* will celebrate the 15th Ceremony Award European Prize of Architecture Philippe Rotthier and presentation of the selected projects, in October 2027. The opening of the Exhibition of the Awarded Projects will take place in Brussels from October to December 2027. A touring exhibition is foreseen during 2028.

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