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## Schindler Award

### Fact Sheet

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#### 1. Facts

The Schindler Award is an architecture competition for students and schools of architecture in Europe. It is held every two years and honors outstanding Urban Mobility projects, judged by a professional jury.

#### 2. Philosophy

The Schindler Award is driven by the vision of intelligent and sustainable architectural solutions that enable people of all ages and capabilities to benefit from barrier-free mobility within urban spaces – by anticipating changing needs throughout our lives.

#### 3. Incentives

To students of architecture, the Schindler Award is a unique opportunity to develop a complex project for an authentic site, and to present their ideas to an international jury of experts. To schools of architecture, the Schindler Award offers a compelling way to create awareness of barrier-free mobility and to position themselves as socially responsible institutions.

#### 4. Schindler Award 2010

May 2009	Information about the next Award (location, site, description of the competition task) will be published on the competition website <a href="http://www.schindleraward.com">www.schindleraward.com</a>
August 2009	Details about the competition task will be released
September 2009	Opening of the competition. Students and schools can apply to compete for the Schindler Award 2010 by registering at: <a href="http://www.schindleraward.com">www.schindleraward.com</a>
April 2010	Closing date for applications
July 2010	Deadline for projects to be submitted
September 2010	Judging of projects by an international jury of experts
November 2010	Prizes awarded at the Schindler Award 2010 ceremony

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## **5. A look back**

### **Schindler Award 2008**

The Site:

- Vienna, Austria
- Derelict area around a major city intersection (western belt and Vienna River Valley)

The Task:

- Transform the site into an attractive place of public activity (with a public common, a public river park with outdoor sport facilities and a community center)
- Reposition the traffic infrastructure (attractive link for slow traffic)
- Include residential and business areas in overall design

Competition statistics:

- 957 applications
- 567 participants from 58 schools of architecture
- 17 nations
- 125 projects submitted

### **Schindler Award 2006**

The Site:

- Paris, France
- Palais de Tokyo (opposite the Eiffel Tower) at the heart of the museum district

The Task:

- Create a link across the Seine river, allowing disabled access to the Palais de Tokyo, which is surrounded by stairs
- Integrate a visitor centre
- Create an exhibition concept for "Access to Art for All"

Competition statistics:

- 504 applications
- 274 participants from 58 schools of architecture
- 22 nations
- 88 projects submitted

### **Schindler Award 2004**

The Site:

- Brussels, Belgium
- Vacant city block in the borough of St. Gilles

The Task:

- Create a public park
- Include a covered market and a community centre
- Integrate residential buildings

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Competition statistics:

- 497 applications
- 252 participants from 34 schools of architecture
- 16 nations
- 78 projects submitted

For more information about the previous competitions, please check the Schindler Award website ([www.schindleraward.com](http://www.schindleraward.com)).

## 7. Achievements

- Raised awareness of accessibility issues and the need of barrier-free architecture in urban environments among architecture students and tutors in Europe.
- Increased coverage about barrier-free architecture and mobility in European trade magazines.
- Deeper co-operation between schools of architecture, disability organisations and Schindler.

## 8. Award Website

The Schindler Award website [www.schindleraward.com](http://www.schindleraward.com) is the online information portal for the competition, providing news about the upcoming competition and serving as platform for questions and answers once the new competition has started.

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