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PACE - **Public Architecture in East-Central Europe** - is the initiative of the <u>Department of</u> <u>Public Building Design</u> of the Faculty of Architecture at BME.

The mission of PACE is to represent and promote high-quality public architecture from East-Central Europe, to open a platform for professional networking in the region and to advance knowledge about our built environment.

The webpage selects outstanding **projects from 9 countries** - Croatia, Czech Republic, Poland, Hungary, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Ukraine. All the presented works serve a community purpose and were **completed in the past five years**.

Projects are selected in **3 categories** based on the suggestions of the commissioned PACE associates, who are renowned architects and architectural theoreticians of their country.

Slovakia - <u>Andrea Bacová PhD</u>, associate professor and head of the Institute of Architecture of Residential Buildings at Slovak University of Technology, editor-in-chief of ARCH Magazine.

Slovenia - <u>Uroš Rustja</u>, co-founder of the Ljubljana-based Void architecture studio and assistant lecturer at the Faculty of Architecture in Ljubljana.

Czech Republic - <u>Prof. Petr Kratochvíl PhD, CSc</u>, professor at the Faculty of Architecture of the Czech Technical University in Prague and member of the Institute of Art History of the Czech Academy of Sciences.

Ukraine - <u>Oleg Drozdov</u>, founder of Kharkiv School of Architecture - the first private architectural school of Ukraine.

Hungary - László Kalmár Ybl and Pro Architectura Prize winning architect.

Poland - <u>Anna Cymer</u>, architecture historian and laureate of architectural journalism.

Croatia - <u>Tamara Bjažić Klarin</u> PhD, senior research associate at the Institute of Art History in Zagreb and vice-president of the Croatian Association of Architects and <u>Boris</u> <u>Dundović</u> PhD, professional associate at the Zagreb Institute of Art History.

Romania - <u>Stefan Ghenciulescu</u> PhD, associate professor ("Ion Mincu" University of Architecture and Urbanism, Bucharest) and editor-in-chief of Zeppelin Magazine.

Serbia - <u>Grozdana Šišović</u> PhD, assistant professor at the Faculty of Architecture of the University of Belgrade.

Through their recommendations and insights, this experienced group plays a special role in the curation process of PACE.

The three categories of PACE represent the defining domains of public architecture, which are also the research scopes of BME's Department of Public Building Design:

- 1. **Recollective Architecture** historical reconstructions, contemporary extensions of historical buildings, monuments that play an important role in articulating collective and cultural memory.
- 2. **Sustainable Communities** projects realised and/or designed through community effort and participation for the use of underprivileged and socially disadvantaged communities.
- 3. **Innovative Public Spaces** new and reinterpreted functions of public buildings, innovative patterns in the use of public space.

Each year 27 completed projects are added to the curated collection, making it an ever wider and richer professional guide in the world of public architecture.

The project of an 'Online Hungarian and English language website and professional forum of Regional Selection of Public Architecture from East-Central Europe' has been realized with the support of Lechner Knowledge Center.

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