

The Municipality of Yerevan announces a Republican open architectural competition for the conceptual project of reconstruction of Republic square in Yerevan

The aim of the competition is to choose the best draft proposals directed at modernization of the highly important architectural complex of Republic square in the capital of the Republic of Armenia, Yerevan, and its adjustment to modern processes of urban development, particularly taking into account the following facts:

- the square in fact has become an overloaded traffic junction with its all negative impacts;
- as a result of building development of the areas adjoining the square active silhouettes have been formed round the square significantly distorting the main proportions and dominance of the complex;
- the functional significance of some buildings forming the square has been changed;
- North avenue has been constructed having become a pedestrian connection between the two important squares;
- and finally, Republic square, being the symbol of all Armenians and the main platform for national, republican and citywide events, as a result of dismantling the monument to Lenin and its tribune, has certain difficulties in the organization of various celebrations.

During the discussion of the results of the competition special attention will be paid to the proposals which will be based on the thorough analysis of the present day urban development situation in the center of the capital and in this context reasonable solutions will be put forward for reconstruction of the square and its surroundings, development of spatial and volumetric ideas, providing harmonization and architectural unity.

It's preferable that the proposals submitted by the participants be maximally realistic, including the mentioned above conditions and those fundamental urban development problems which are obvious and need urgent solution.

Conditions for participation in the competition

Individual architects, creative groups comprising of architects and allied professions and creative architectural workshops functioning in Armenia can participate in the competition. To realize the conceptual projects it is also planned to sign treaties with those architectural workshops which are experienced in drafting urban complexes and important structures, for this will make it possible to form the participants' staff and to create guarantees for effective results.

The format of submitting competition projects

The competition drafts are to be submitted with a brief explanation and graphic. The graphic is presented in free, necessary volume which will completely reveal the conception, including the general plan, the stretch of the fronts, shears, separate segments if necessary, three-dimension drafts and so on.

The creative workshops participating in the completion by contract are obliged to submit the dummy of the draft proposal, on 1:400 scale.

The terms for holding the competition and presenting the projects are:

The start for draft proposals is may 29 2013, finish- August 29 2013.

The competition proposals are to be submitted no later than August 29 2013, till 17.00.

Address-Yerevan, Republic square, Government building 3, first floor, the Museum of Architecture

Tel. 52 96 30.

Handing of the competition draft of the participant is validated by a sealed reference.

Source material are required for the competition:

The participants can get the source material necessary for the competition visiting the official website of the Municipality-www.yerevan.am.

For additional information call 094 70-30-90

Summarization of the results of the competition and the competition funds

The discussion and assessment of the competition drafts are implemented by the competition commission :

Presiding commissioner- Narek Sargsyan, Chief architect of Yerevan, RA Honorary Architect

Members of the commission: Ruzan Alaverdyan, RA Deputy Minister of Urban Development

Arev Samuelyan, RA Deputy Minister of Culture

Hrach Poghosyan, presiding commissioner of the Architectural Commission of the Municipality of Yerevan, RA Honorary Architect

Mkrtich Minasyan, president of the Union of Architect of Armenia, RA Honorary Architect

Gurgen Mushegyan, RA Honorary Architect

Sashur Kalashyan, RA honorary Architect

Yuri Safaryan, YSUAC pro-rector, RA Honorary Science worker

Arthur Meschyan, architect

Commission secretary **Ashot Hakobyan,** architect

The presiding commissioner and the members of the commission as well as the persons appointed by the announcer of the competition to prepare and organize the competition or to make up the expert conclusion, have no right to participate in the competition or to give consultation to any participant.

The competition commission makes its decisions by close secret voting, by the majority of votes. The results of the competition are summarized by the commission after informing the public about the competition activities but not later than September 20 2013.

Three projects recognized the best as a result of the competition will be awarded with the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes, AMD 1 million each. Another 3 projects deserved the attention of the commission can get encouraging prizes, AMD 500 thousand each.

Notification

Competition documentation is presented with a six-digit code. It is set in the upper right corner of the drafts and must be of 15 mm height.

The projects are presented in the closed envelope with corresponding code in which the insert with staff of authors and money distribution among them is to be put.

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