**International designbuildXchange Award 2024**



**We are pleased to celebrate the relaunch of the <span style="color:orange">dbXchange</span> web platform with an award for new DesignBuild projects.**

<span style="color:orange">**Call for Projects**</span>

The Call for Projects is open to DesignBuild projects that have been realized within the last three years (2020-2023) and are published on the dbXchange website. We are looking forward to new approaches to technology, sustainability, circular economy and scaling; to new focus areas such as social justice, interdisciplinary work and pedagogy; to new insights into funding, ethics and project evaluation.

A total of six projects will be selected for awards through a competitive juried process.
Winning projects will be invited to present their projects at the **2024 dbXchange Award Winner Talks**, taking place online in **June 2024.**

The deadline of the application is **15th February 2024** 14:00hrs (2pm) Central European Time (CET).
The award winners will be announced on the dbXchange website on 20th March 2024

<span style="color:orange">**dbXchange Award Jury and Representatives**</span>
Nicola Borgmann, Architecture Gallery Munich
Elisa Engel, Citizen Architects
Ralf Pasel, pasel/künzel architects, CODE- Berlin Technical University, Sto Stiftung
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Nina Pawlicki, dbXchange board, Natural Building Lab, TU Berlin.
Matthias Kestel, dbXchange board, LEK, Technical University of Munich

<span style="color:orange">**Eligibility**</span>
DesignBuild Projects are components of higher education in the field of the built environment.

**Eligibility for competition entry via the dbXchange network:**
**The submitted projects need -**

- **to be completed or intended to be built between 2020 and 2025**
- **be based in or related to higher education**
- **have a brief, budget, and timeframe**
- **have a client/user**
- **allow students to be physically involved in the materialization of their designs**
- **be of architectural, social, cultural, scientific, technical and/or artistic relevance**

## Application Process, Prerequisites

1) Your project must be uploaded to the dbXchange.eu network platform.
Please make yourself familiar with the guidelines. (You must register as a full member before you can upload a project.) >> dbXchange.eu > register.
2) Once completed the above, you can apply to take part in the competition by providing the following information: **>> Link to dbX project submission form.**

**To apply, please send the submission form in PDF format to the dbXchange team: info@dbXchange.eu. Include "dbX 2024" in the subject line/ mail header.**

## Curatorial Timeline

Deadline for submissions: **15th February 2024**, 14:00hrs (2pm) Central European Time (CET). After the application deadline, your project profile will be blocked until the announcement of the award winners.

Announcement of the selected projects on **20th March 2024.**
**Project** authors to confirm participation on **15th April 2024 2024**
2024 dbXchange Award Winner Talks **June 2024**

## Criteria

With this call, we aim to gain insights into the newest topics, techniques, methodologies and principles of recent academic DesignBuild projects. Therefore, this list of evaluation criteria will be expanded to encompass new fields of action. We welcome a wide range of applications.

• *Educational impact:* To what extent are aspects of interculturality, interdisciplinarity and direct responsibility of the students incorporated in the project? How and to what extent are the students involved in design AND construction? How is the course validated, how is it embedded in their regular curriculum?

• *Design impact and quality:* To what extent are sustainable, innovative design and construction principles embedded in the project? How are they related to the specific context? Is there any possibility of upscaling? Which building materials are being used and how are they justified?

• *Social impact:* How intense was the involvement of the client and/or user in the design and construction process? How and to what extent does the project address the client and/or users critical needs and challenges?

## dbXchange Network and Host

The dbXchange platform and network addresses projects in the framework of academic education with an emphasis on the built environment. The main aims of the platform are to exchange knowledge and experiences on academic DesignBuild projects as well as to stimulate the DesignBuild methodology.
The platform provides tools for supporting DesignBuild project workflows as well as access to detailed information about the projects themselves, their related networks and stakeholders.
www.dbxchange.eu

## Questions and Problems

If you have any problems with registration on the website or other questions, please contact us at admin@dbXchange.eu

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