

English Summary

Faculty building BK City

In September, less than five months after the disastrous fire, the new first year students will start their architecture course in the 'new' faculty building at the Julianalaan. The conversion of the existing building into BK City has been executed in an unbelievable short period of time. During the course of the year the other departments, including @MIT, will also move to the new site.

Job Roos

During the coming academic year, Associate Professor Job Roos will be acting departmental chair on the @MIT management team. This will give Jo Coenen more time to focus on lectures, substantive development and representing @MIT within and outside the faculty. The architect Roos has also been a prominent member of the design team for BK City.

Docomomo Conference

After years of preparation, the Tenth International DOCOMOMO congress will be held at the Van Nellefabriek in Rotterdam in September. We would like to welcome the visitors from abroad and wish you an interesting and inspiring congress. We would also like to thank the many @MIT personnel for their hard work, and the generous sponsors without whom the event would not have been possible.

Marieke Kuipers appointed to Cultural Heritage chair at @MIT

As of 1 September Professor Marieke Kuipers (1951) has been appointed professor of Cultural Heritage at @MIT, with an emphasis on the architecture of the twentieth century. She has been working in the area of monuments and conservation since 1977, and held a similar chair at Maastricht University from 2000 to 2008.

@MIT conference

On Friday 24 October @MIT and KNOB are holding another conference to discuss whether or not the new heritage poses a new challenge. The next KNOB Bulletin will also be dedicated to the preservation of monuments and the twentieth century heritage. To register for the conference please visit www.RMIT.nl.

Dordrecht

The historic town of Dordrecht is the setting of three student projects in the Dutch towns series. Dordrecht stands out by its ability to combine the past with modern needs. In the sixteenth century, two late-mediaeval buildings in Dordrecht were combined into Huis Holster. The current house, built on the original basement, still reflects this. @MIT MSc 1 students analysed the options to convert the building to cultural use, while respecting the historic interior. A group of fourth-year architecture students were given the assignment of redesigning the Energiehuis which was built around 1910 and has since been extended twice to meet the rising demand for energy.

Zonnestraal

@MIT Research Centre was commissioned to assemble a publication on the restoration of Zonnestraal. Sanatorium Zonnestraal, designed in 1925 by Jan Duiker, is a key building of the Modern Movement. Parts of Zonnestraal have been restored recently by the architects Hubert-Jan Henket and Wessel de Jonge.

Rietvelds Universum

Rietveld is now recognised as a main exponent of architecture and design in the Netherlands in the twentieth century. However, he only received this recognition later in life. Our faculty granted him an honorary doctorate a few months before his death in January 1964. A major study of the context of Rietveld's work, under the title 'Rietvelds Universum' is currently underway. ■

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