



Architects of the Future Awards 2013
Austria, 1 to 5 September 2013

The Idea

With this initiative, we seek to support and inspire young people who wish to contribute to making the world a better place with specific projects that make a difference.



The Opportunity

The awardées will be given the “Architect of the Future (AoF) Awards”. At the Award Ceremony they will have the chance to present their project to the public. Subsequently, they will have an opportunity of building contacts with potential mentors and sponsors.

The grant includes:

- Oxford Self-Managing Leadership Training
- Architects of the Future Spiritual Retreat
- Project presentation at the Architect of the Future Award Ceremony
- Active participation in the worldwide Architects of the Future Community
- Food and lodging
- Travel scholarship up to a maximum amount of 700 € for overseas flights and a maximum of 250 € for continental European flights/train tickets

Architects of the Future Awards

Every year some of the most inspiring young leaders are elected within the frame of a worldwide selection and awarded with the Architects of the Future Award. A consideration of the Architects of the Future projects within the Waldzell Collection incumbent in the world famous library of Melk Abbey in Austria reveals the extraordinary appreciation and recognition of the great significance of our awardées. The Collection honors selected lifeworks of outstanding contemporary personalities preserving them for posterity.

Leadership Training

The Oxford Self Managing Leadership® helps the architects to develop a clearer sense of direction, clarify their options and develop the inner power necessary to face up to some tough choices and decisions. It supports the AoF to identify negative and positive patterns in their life and behaviour, enabling them to get at the root causes of any limitations they feel they may have.

The architects are guided to put in place a plan to overcome barriers which are holding them back and to emerge with concrete strategies for better managing themselves, their relationships and their organisation. They will leave with a framework for self-management and personal accountability and with a plan for embedding their learning in practice after the course

Spiritual Retreat

In addition, we are offering an annual spiritual retreat for the new AoF. The focus of this retreat lies on a meditative examination of the very power source of each individual, the inner mission, and on the alignment of this source with its effectiveness outside. Following experiences have been considered to be special personal gains:

- Widening of perspectives towards an integral world view
- Gaining energy for a demanding day-to-day work of a young leader
- Reflection and exchange with likeminded people
- Connection on a deeper level facilitating real partnership and friendship
- Creation of a meaningful strong global and intercultural community



Requirements

The competition is open to all applicants between the ages of 20 and 40, regardless of gender, nationality, social status, education or religious denomination. Applications may be submitted by anyone who has consequently completed a concrete project in an environmental, social, educational, health-care or communication context with working experience of a minimum of 3 years in one of those fields.

Since English is the language of the Award Ceremony, fluency in written and spoken English will be required. The participation at the spiritual retreat and at the Award Ceremony is obligatory.

Thus applicants must be able to stay in Austria from 1 to 5 September 2013 with arrival on 31 August afternoon.

The Competition

The competition for the grants is organized in co-operation with renowned international organisations. **The period for application will end on 29 March 2013.**

Applicant's Files

1. Curriculum vitae with photograph

This should reflect the professional background, education/training, personal interests and motivation for the applicant's commitment to his/her project. It should also briefly describe how it relates to the Architects of the Future initiative.

2. Letter of recommendation from an independent source
3. Project description

This should reflect the project background and motivation, the applicant's role, project objectives, course of project, changes achieved and a critical review of the project as well.

We are happy to receive your applications by e-mail.

Please send them to schatz@waldzell.org



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