

Open House Worldwide

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120% increase worldwide in public participation

The Open house concept continues to expand in different continents (exact dates on home page of www.openhouseworldwide.org). Three new cities join the 'family' Open House Mexico City, (21-22 April) Open House Basel (5-6 May) and Open House Rosario (12-13 May).

The 2017 Open House Worldwide Annual Survey is now completed showing an average 20% increase on visitor participation, particularly in Madrid, Vilnius and Zurich with above average increases.

3rd Open House Worldwide Conference, 2018

As part of the 25th anniversary of the first Open House, founded in London, a major conference '**How do we shape our cities for the future**' will take place in the capital on the 31st January and 1st February and supported by U+I Architectural Association (AA), Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Argentina Embassy and British Council Nigeria.

The Speakers include Deputy Mayors and City Architects from cities from London and Bilbao to Vienna and Brisbane, exploring how to 'make cities for all citizens'. Other speakers at the forefront of global thinking and practice will include Dr Suzanne Hall (LSE Cities), Dan Hill (Arup), Mark Cridge (MySociety), Charles Landry & Chris Murray, authors of 'Psychology and the City', and Alastair Parvin (WikiHouse Foundation) as well as knowledge sharing by a number of the Open House worldwide cities.

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Notes for Editors:

The third Open House Worldwide conference will take place 31 January – 2 February 2018 in London. The programme, booking details and updates will be posted at:

<http://www.openhouseworldwide.org/conference/index.php>

Conference Press passes

There are a limited number available: email Veronica at info@openhouseworldwide.org or syates@openhouseworldwide.org

About Open House Worldwide and Open-City Open House is a unique urban concept. It was created in London in 1992 by Victoria Thornton, founder of the non-profit organisation based in London, UK, now known as Open-City. Open-City is the parent organisation of the Open House concept.

Over its 25-year history a simple, but universal way of helping to change perceptions, break down barriers and inspire people to demand better-designed cities has remained at the heart of Open House – enabling people to explore and learn about their city, and as a result to influence a better built environment for all.

Since 1992, more than 30 cities across five continents have taken up the Open House concept, and they now form the **Open House Worldwide Family**. Today **more than 750,000 people** take part globally in Open House initiatives, from Lagos to Brisbane and Barcelona to Buenos Aires and New York to Buenos Aires. Open House is a worldwide phenomenon with common values, but each city operates independently and is tailored to and by local people – a factor that is critical to its global success. www.openhouseworldwide.org

Cities: London, New York, Dublin, Lagos, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Helsinki, Oslo, Melbourne, Barcelona, Brisbane, Slovenia, Chicago, Rome, Lisbon, Perth, Thessaloniki, Limerick, Gdynia, Buenos Aires, Vienna, Athens, Monterrey, Cork, Vilnius, Prague, Madrid, Belfast, Porto, Milan, Zurich, Stockholm, Santiago, San Diego, Torino, Bilbao, Gdansk, (2018 - Mexico City, Basel, Rosario)

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