

Welcome



Invitation

This is an open invitation to architects and consultants from around the world to engage in a challenging act of creative design that stipulates a unique architecture for the long anticipated Great Egyptian Museum. Neighboring a timeless wonder, the Giza Pyramids, the new museum will pay homage to eternal Ancient Egyptian monuments, treasures, and history. The project aims to establish a state-of-the-art museum complex providing facilities and access to a broad range of information. The museum complex will furnish all its visitors with a uniquely enjoyable, educational and cultural experience.

Egypt, the centre of civilisation, art, and culture, offers its unique site neighbouring the Pyramids of Giza as a genius loci for such a cultural and architectural challenge that best addresses the world's Third Millennium and Egypt's Seventh Millennium. A strong visual linkage between the new museum site and the Pyramids themselves suggests architectural choices that will not waste the possibility of establishing a formal dialogue.

The Challenge

The competition is divided into two phases:

The First Phase will begin May 2002 and end August 2002. The jury will select only twenty entrants who will pass on to the Second Phase.

The Second Phase will begin November 2002 and end March 2003. The final winning projects in the Second Phase will be announced during the month of June 2003.

Competition Organization

The competition is open to all architects or teams led by architects in possession of documentary evidence of their qualifications to exercise the profession of architecture in their own country, or in the country of their residence, and therefore are authorised to take part in architectural design competitions at the date of registration for this competition. Participation shall be regulated in accordance with the Revised Recommendation with respect to the International Competitions in Architecture and Town Planning, adopted by the General Conference of **UNESCO** in 1978. The competition shall be supervised by the **UIA** (Union of International Architects). Official language of the competition and all related correspondence will be English. Official measurement system will be Metric.

Jury Members

Architects:

Dr. Salah Zaki (Egypt)

Dr. Galal Abada (Egypt)

Mr. Peter Cook (England)

Mr. Teodoro Gonzales (Mexico)

Mrs. Gae Aulenti (Italy)

Mr. Jong-Soung KIMM (Korea - UIA representative)

Egyptologists:

Dr. Mohamed El-Mehdi (Egypt)



Dr. Gaballah Ali Gaballah (Egypt)

Mr. Sergio Donadoni (Italy)

Museologist:

Mrs. Françoise Cachan (France)

Deputy Jury Members:

Dr. Fayza Haikal (Egypt)

Mr. Arne Eggebrecht (Germany)

Ms. Ana Maria Zahariade (Romania - Deputy UIA representative)

Technical Committee Coordinator:

[Dr. Yasser Mansour \(Egypt\)](#)

P r i z e s

First Stage:

The 20 selected entrants will receive a prize of \$10,000US each.

Second Stage:

First prize: \$250,000US

Second prize: \$150,000US

Third prize: \$100,000US

A sum of \$200,000US will be distributed among Honourable Mentions based on the discretion of the jury.

C o n t a c t I n f o r m a t i o n

Interested participants are required to contact the following address for queries, registration, and final submission of drawings:

The Grand Egyptian Museum

Technical Committee Coordinator

Al Remayah Square, Pyramids, Giza, Egypt

Tel: (2) 02 386 59 11

(2) 02 386 59 17

Fax: (2) 02 386 58 71

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R e g i s t r a t i o n

Registration is open daily beginning 7 January 2002 and ends 7 April 2002. Registration may be made by mail, e-mail, web site online form, fax, or in person at the Giza address from 9:30h to 13:30h (+ 2GMT). Fee for registration is \$300US + \$50US for international shipping and handling, to be paid by bank transfer to the below address. Bank charges to be paid by applicants. The registration fee is non-refundable under any circumstance.

Bank Misr - Cairo Branch

151 Mohammed Farid St., Cairo, Egypt

Account Holder:

The Supreme Council of Antiquities

Account number for Egyptian Pounds (LE):

101/37/110200/00/4

Account number for US Dollars (\$):

101/11/018872/00/0

Bank Telephone Number: +2 02 391 3682

Bank Fax Number: +2 02 391 9779

T h e A p p l i c a t i o n

Applications for registration must arrive no later than 18:00h (+2GMT) on 7 April 2002 by registered mail or courier. Applications are to be sent to the Giza address accompanied by:

Complete registration form with name, address, and country of origin of the architect or team of architects applying.

Documentative evidence of the architect's or team leader's right to exercise the profession in his or her own country.

Receipt confirming fee payment.

Competition Brief and all related documents will be delivered during the month of April 2002 to the exact address of the registered participants. Competition Brief and all related documents may also be obtained from the Giza address. All correspondence and inquiries should be addressed to the [Technical Committee Co-coordinator](#) at the Giza address and/or e-mail address.

The documents (to be delivered in two copies), shall be sent by airmail date-stamped in advance of the date specified below, or be delivered in person, in a single package. Deadline for submission of the First Phase documents shall be 12:00h (+2GMT) 16 August 2002.

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