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# INTERNATIONAL PRIZE THE INTERNATIONAL GRAND PRIX GOES TO THE FINNISH ARCHITECT MATTI BARBARA CAPPOCHIN SANAKSENAHO







**Barbara Cappochin** international Grand Prix 2007 Matti Sanaksenaho architect

2007 This international prize organised by the Barbara Cappochin Foundation, with the support of the Order of Architects, Planners, Landscapers and Conservationists of the province of Padua, the International Union of Architects (UIA) and the Italian National Council of Architects, Planners, Landscapers and Conservationists (CNAPPC).

This Prize is the opportunity to promote quality in contemporary architecture and its relationship with its environment as a means of stimulating debate and permitting a comparison between international architecture and the architecture of the province of Padua. It also seeks to strengthen the public's interest in and passion for architecture and to highlight the role of each of the project's protagonists.

Open to architects throughout the world, this edition of the Prize concerned realisations completed between 1st July 2004 and 30th June 2007 in the residential, commercial or public facilities sectors.

### INTERNATIONAL JURY

The international jury met on 14 and 15 September 2007 in Padua and examined the 312 realisations submitted. Under the presidency of Raffaele Sirica, architect, CNAPPC President, the jury was composed of Fulvio Irace, President of the architecture section of the Milan triennial (Italy), Giancarlo lus, architect, UIA Vice-President (Italy), Amerigo Restucci, architect (Italy), Gonçalo Byrne, architect (Portugal), Jose Luis Cortes Delgado, architect (Mexico), Suk Won Kang, architect (Republic of Korea), Katherine L. Schwennsen, out-going AIA President (USA) representing the UIA, Steffen Zügel, CEO Fischer Italia Srl (Germany) and Charles Majoroh, architect (Nigeria).

#### **WINNERS**

The Prize is worth a total of 72 000 euro (an international grand prix of 60 000 euro; a special prize of 6 000 euro for architectural and construction detail and a prize of 6 000 euro for a realisation located in the province of Padua).

The international grand prix was awarded to the Finnish architect Matti Sanaksenaho, for Saint Henrik's chapel on the island of Hirvensalo, Turku, a particularly interesting religious space that transmits a message of ecumenical integration. Located on a hill, the building



Barbara Cappochin 2007 special prize Lim Huat architecte

gives onto a small public square that is the focus of local social life and is an example of excellent integration between landscape and architecture.

The **special prize**, that recompenses the **quality of construction detail**, was awarded to Malaysian architect **Lim Huat**, for the Cameron Highlands visitors' centre in Malaysia. This expressive, linear cantilever structure uses simple locally available materials and low-tech construction techniques.

The **prize for the province of Padua** is awarded to the educational complex designed by the Italian architect **Adolfo Zanetti**.



Barbara Cappochin 2007 prize for the province of Padua Adolfo Zanetti architecte

Four mentions were awarded in the international section, two in the construction detail section and three mentions in the provincial category.

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