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Gubbio Prize 2024, European Section

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The Gubbio Prize is the most important Italian award for projects and reuse plans that intervene on the existing heritage, in cities and territories of historical interest. It is awarded to designers, public authorities and private operators who implement them as executors or promoters. It is conferred by ANCSA, the National Association of Historic-Artistic Centers, which has been for more than 60 years now a leading actor in the debate and design reflection on these issues, in Italy and in Europe. Through the Gubbio Prize, the association aims at drawing attention and encourage debate on the practices related to its historic mission, both in Italy and internationally.

History and structure of the Gubbio Prize

The Gubbio Prize was established in 1990 and is awarded every third year. Throughout its history, the Gubbio Prize has broadened its thematic and geographical horizons, accompanying the evolutions and trajectories of the debate on historic cities and territories. Since its creation, it is comprised of an Italian Section (previously National Section) and a University Section, open to graduation thesis and PhD thesis. The European Section was inaugurated in 1993. Since 2024, the Gubbio Prize also features the presentation of a seminal experience from a non-European nation. Furthermore, the parallel activities of the Gubbio Latin American and Caribbean Prize started in 2009. They are organized in collaboration with ANCSA's South American partners, in keeping with the association's scope and objectives.

Since 2018 Nicola Russi has been the director of the Gubbio Prize, previously chaired by Franco Mancuso (Italian Section) and Paola Falini (European Section). Alessandro Benetti is in charge of the prize coordination. The prize is organized with the support of the City of Gubbio and the involvement of the Fondazione Cassa Risparmio Perugia. Mario Botta, Juan Navarro Baldeweg, Renzo Piano, Philippe Prost, Alvaro Siza, West 8, Whiterford Watson Mann, as well as the municipalities of Bologna, Florence, Grenoble, Naples, Pisa, Venice, and many others have been awarded over the past three decades. Designers, critics, historians, and researchers from all over Europe have participated in the various editions of the Gubbio Prize as external advisors or jury members: Nina Bassoli, Nadia Casabella, Sasa Dobricic, Baptiste Manet, Sara Marini, Luca Molinari, Manuel Orazi, and Giulia Ricci, among others.

ANCSA e the Gubbio Prize

The Gubbio Prize is one of the most important initiatives promoted by ANCSA. The association was founded precisely in Gubbio in 1961, with the aim of promoting cultural and practical initiatives for the preservation and regeneration of urban heritage, in support of the action of public administrations. Giulio Carlo Argan, Giovanni Astengo, Vittoria Calzolari, Antonio Cederna, Bruno Gabrielli, Roberto Gambino, Cesare Macchi Cassia, Giuseppe Samonà and Antonino Terranova were among the association's most distinguished members.

Since its creation, ANCSA has constituted itself as a space for dialogue between those who design historic cities

and territories – architects, urbanists, planners, landscape architects – those who govern them – municipal, regional and supra-local administrations – and those who reflect and research on these issues – theorists, historians and critics. Since 2021 Filippo Stirati, in its capacities of the mayor of Gubbio, has been president of the association, Stefano Storchi is vice president, and Marika Fior is the general secretary. The members of ANCSA's Board of Directors are: Alessandro Benetti, Letizia Carrera, Bruna di Palma, Nicola Russi, Fabrizio Toppetti, Mauro Volpiano, the municipalities of Asolo, Bergamo, Bologna, Livorno, Modena, Parma, the Tuscany region, and the Parco dei colli di Bergamo.

For more information on the Gubbio Prize please visit www.premiogubbio.ancsa.org

2. Milestones and deadlines of the Gubbio Prize 2024, European Section

April-May 2024

ANCSA gathers a group of **advisors**, selected among the best scholars, critics, historians and curators in the field of architecture and the city Europe-wide. Advisors identify the best projects and reuse plans that correspond to the prize's scope and comply with its requirements. Furthermore, advisors invite their authors and/or promoters to submit their application to the prize, providing them with the necessary instructions. Each advisor is associated to a specific European region, as detailed in the map attached here. Please note that the Gubbio Prize 2024, European Section, doesn't accept unsolicited applications.

Deadline for advisors: May 31st 2024

May-June 2024

Candidates, nominated by the advisors, prepare and send the set of required documents directly to ANCSA. <u>Deadline for candidates: June 28th 2024</u>

July 2024

The **jury** evaluates the submitted materials and proclaims a **winning project** (Gubbio Prize 2024), as well as up to two **mentioned projects** (Honourable Mention at the Gubbio Prize 2024), and up to two **shortlisted projects** (Shortlisted at the Gubbio Prize 2024). The jury of the Gubbio Prize 2024, European Section is comprised of a selection of Members of ANCSA's Board of Directors, of the Coordinator of ANCSA's Scientific Committee and of two external jurors, who will be nominated and announced in the course of the year. Advisors do not participate in the jury.

Notification to candidates of jury results: by the end of July 2024

August-September 2024

The prize coordinator contacts directly all **awarded candidates** (winners, mentioned and shortlisted), who prepare and send directly to ANCSA the required additional materials (if any) for the preparation of the award ceremony, the catalogue and the prize's exhibition.

Deadline for awarded candidates: September 6th 2024

November-December 2024

The **award ceremony** takes place in Gubbio and gathers all the participants to the prize: ANCSA's members and the other prize promoters, the jurors, the winning, mentioned and shortlisted candidates, as well as the experts who nominated them. The **Gubbio Prize 2024** consists in a plaque of honour, presented to the winner by the President of the Judging Panel. Mentioned and shortlisted candidates will be awarded a parchment of merit. During the ceremony, the winning, mentioned and shortlisted candidates will have the occasion to illustrate their project

through a public presentation. The award ceremony includes the launch of the catalogue of the Gubbio Prize 2024 and the opening of the related exhibition.

Date of the award ceremony: November-December 2024

December 2024 and following months

The **promotion** of the winning, mentioned and shortlisted projects takes place during the three years following the competition, through ANCSA's editorial and promotional activities, including but not limited to: the catalogue published in the ANCSA Documenti series, ANCSA's website, the promotional activities by ANCSA's press office.