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REcentre presents Sustainable Summer School at the international furniture and design fair in Milan the perfect run-up to a full one year post graduate in sustainable design in 2014.

From 12 to 17 April 2011 REcentre is present at the international furniture fair in Milan. In the upcoming Lambrate area the knowledge and promotion centre for sustainable design presents the programme of the first Sustainable Summer School which will be held in the border region Liege (B), Hasselt (B), Maastricht (NL) and Aachen (D). The first Sustainable Summer School will last seven days and is planned for the summer of 2011.

REcentre organises the Sustainable Summer School with the renowned post-academic Institute without Boundaries (Toronto, Canada). It is a critical and versatile course in which design provides solutions for social, economic and environmental themes. The training gives participants new insights in the field of sustainability and sustainable design. The training range will later be extended to a full post-graduate. This Sustainable Summer School is therefore the ideal run-up to the training course that will be launched in 2014.

The Sustainable Summer School will work on basis of various case studies: food, water and public spaces. Daily sneak previews will be held at the furniture fair to explain the three case studies to the visitors, who can enrol on site.

Participants consist of an international and inter-disciplinary public: designers, students, teachers and interested individuals but with one common interest: sustainability. The aim of the Sustainable Summer School is to place participants of various backgrounds in the role of an artist, inventor, engineer, economist, strategist ... for a while. The differences between designers and other professions will fade because the training is so pluridisciplinary. The border region is the ideal place to do this because its population is used to 'transgress borders'. That mentality is the perfect feeding ground for such a project.

Under the name New Times, New Heroes, REcentre is part of a collective of leading designers and ambitious partners from the design world who share the stage at Ventura Lambrate in Milan. Other parties are Z33, Thomas Lommée with his OpenStructures exhibition on an open source and sustainable form of design, and organisations DoDesign, Design Platform Limburg.

You will find more information about the Sustainable Summer School in the file in annex.

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Practical information Sustainable Summer School presentation Milan:

Location: Ventura Lambrate - Via Privata Oslavia 8 - 20134 Milan – Italy

Date: 12 – 17 April 2011

Opening hours: Tuesday 12 April – Sunday 17 April: 10.00-20.00

Opening night: Wednesday 13 April: 19.00-23.00

Press moment: Monday 11 April: 15.00-20.00

Annex: file Sustainable Summer School

More info and pictures:

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