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Scalo Porta Romana:

6 finalist teams selected to draw up urban regeneration master plan

Coima SGR, Covivio and Prada Holding S.p.A, winning partners of the public tender for the acquisition of Porta Romana railway yard in Milan, announces the shortlisted finalists of the international competition for the preparation of the Masterplan for the regeneration of the site.

The shortlisted finalists, who will now be required to draw up the masterplan of the Porta Romana railway yard in the second phase of the competition, are:

- > **BIG - Bjarke Ingels Group**, Buro Happold, Atelier Ten, MIC - Mobility in Chain, Atelier Verticale, Ubistudio, SCE Project
- > **Cobe A/S**, SD Partners S.R.L., TRM Group S.R.L., AKT II, Hilson Moran, Urban Foresight
- > **John McAslan + Partners**, Meinhardt, Barker Langham, Makower Architects, Urbn'ita, MVVA, ESA Engineering
- > **OUTCOMIST, Diller Scofidio + Renfro, PLP Architecture, Carlo Ratti Associati**, Gross. Max, Nigel Dunnett Studio, Arup, Portland Design, Systematica, Studio Zoppini, Aecom, Land, Artelia
- > **Skidmore**, Owings & Merrill (Europe) LLP – SOM, Michel Desvigne Paysagiste (MDP), TSPOON, Work in Progress srl. (WiP), Drees & Sommer (DRESO), Elisabetta Lazzaro, United Consulting srl
- > **Studio Paola Viganò**, Inside Outside, OFFICE KGDVS, Piovenefabi, Ambiente Italia, F&M Ingegneria, TPS PRO, Antonella Faggiani - Smart Land Srl.

The competition for the Porta Romana masterplan was launched on 10 December 2020, in conjunction with signing the preliminary contract for the purchase of the Porta Romana area.

The judging panel convened for three sessions due to the high number of applications from teams from all over the world: 47 multidisciplinary groups made up of a total of 329 companies from 14 countries. The jury selected the finalists on the basis of the interdisciplinary skills of the working groups, the experience in comparable operations and the project management methodology presented.

The 6 finalists are invited to participate in the second phase of the competition, which will be completed on March 31, 2021 with the subsequent communication of the winning project. The Masterplan selected at the end of the second phase will be submitted to a public debate phase and a technical analysis.



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In their responses, the selected teams were able to take into account the specific orientations of this large-scale project targeting a variety of audiences and needs:

- > the design and development of public spaces, green spaces and services useful to the life of the site
- > the reconnection of the area with the various districts of the city, notably through the creation of numerous footbridges
- > the programming of the operation, with particular attention paid to the immediate environment of the site
- > the 2026 Olympic Village project
- > the development of a strategy for animating and connecting public spaces with the different components of the site.

Coima SGR, Covivio and Prada Holding S.p.A. were awarded the Porta Romana railway yard (an area that covers an area of approximately 190,000 sqm) for €180M. The development includes a large park, which will extend for about 100,000 sqm, around which residences, offices, social housing, student housing and services interconnected to the entire metropolitan area. Inside the railway yard, Coima will develop the Olympic Village, which at the end of the competitions will be transformed into student housing with about 1,000 beds, the free and subsidized residential component; Covivio will develop office functions and services; Prada Holding S.p.A., mainly interested in the quality of the park, will build a building for laboratory and office use to extend its activities already present in the area.



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