

# School of Architecture, Design and Civil Engineering **RE-DOMESTICIZING STEEL** International Summer Workshop 29 August - 05 September 2015

When looking at building in steel, icons such as the Maison de Verre, the Eames House or the Hôtel Tassel still, implicitly, accompany us today. But as real models they appear to have lost their relevance a long time ago: nowadays increasingly stringent requirements in the areas of fire protection, building physics and energy consumption seem to frustrate the architect's dream of domestic environments built of steel. Today in Switzerland steel construction is, by and large, confined to commercial and industrial buildings. In our summer workshop, a publication that will follow from it and a symposium on the current state of things, we want to devote our energies to re-domesticizing steel building and to profit from international experience in this area. We want to explore and discuss current questions about designing and building in steel through making visits to specific buildings and holding round table discussions with their authors, committed guests and critics, civil engineers, expert planners and specialists from steel construction practice, international teams of students, as well as lecturers and assistants from our institute.

Our focus is on examining to what extent and under which circumstances dreams about steel can be newly dreamt, designed and made reality today. We suggest there could be a path away from the purist models of modernism and towards intelligent hybrids, which, however, we want to position far away from the "handyman solutions" that are currently standard in the area of industrial and commercial building.

## **International Summer Workshop Institute for Constructive Design**

ZHAW Departement A, Halle 180 Tössfeldstrasse 11, Winterthur

#### **Programme**

Visits to recent housing projects in Zurich

Round table discussion with architects and experts of houses by architecten de vylder vinck taillieu, Atelier Bow-Wow, Christian Kerez, Jonathan Woolf Architects, Jürg Graser, Made In and Martin Bühler

presented by Astrid Staufer, Daniel Meyer and Martin Tschanz

Workshop Studios "Learning from Horta, Chareau and Eames" with Marc Loeliger, Alain Roserens, Beat Waeber

Lectures and films

#### Guests

architecten de vylder vinck taillieu, Martin Bühler, Frank Escher, Patric Fischli-Boson, Prof. Dr. Mario Fontana, Patrick Heiz, Megumi Komura, Denis Kopitsis, Marcel Meili, Prof. Dr. Martin Mensinger, Prof. Dr. Joseph Schwartz, Chris Snow

#### **Universities Involved**

Birmingham City University UPC ETSAB Barcelona University of Antwerp University of Minho /Guimarães **ZHAW** 

### **ECTS** points

Students receive 3 ECTS points for attending the Summer Workshop.

## Contact

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## Support

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Detail Terrace House © Atelier Bow-Wow

## **SAT 29 AUGUST**

WELCOME RECEPTION

**16:00** Welcoming address Stephan Mäder **16:15** Welcoming address Patric Fischli-Boson 16:30 Introduction Astrid Staufer 17:00 Setting-up workplace 18:00 Welcome aperitif

## **SUN 30 AUGUST**

**CASE STUDIES IN ZURICH** 

**09:30** Visit Extension Guggenbühl Marazzi Reinhardt **11:00** Visit Multi-family house Graser Architekten 13:00 Mid-day break on the Lake **14:00** Visit Center Le Corbusier Heidi Weber Museum **15:30** Visit

House with thin walls

Martin Bühler Architekten

## **MON 31 AUGUST**

INTRODUCTION

**ROUND TABLE 1** 

**09:00** Lecture

François Renaud **10:30** International context: Lectures by international teachers followed by a discussion 14:30 Round Table 1 "Living in Structures" Guests: Patrick Heiz/Made in Prof. Dr. Joseph Schwartz Prof. Dr. Mario Fontana Presenter: Daniel Meyer

19:00 Lecture Jürg Graser

Graser Architekten

## TUE 01 SEPTEMBER

STUDIO

ROUND TABLE 2

**09:00** Studio **14:30** Round Table 2 Guests: de vylder vinck taillieu Megumi Komura Martin Bühler Presenter: Martin Tschanz 19:00 Film evening

STUDIO

**ROUND TABLE 3 09:00** Studio **14:30** Round Table 3 Guests: Chris Snow Jürg Graser Denis Kopitsis Prof. Martin Mensinger Presenter: Astrid Staufer

## WED 02 SEPTEMBER THU 03 SEPTEMBER

**STUDIO** 

**09:00** Studio 12:00 Visit Halle 181 18:00 Lecture Frank Escher Escher GuneWardena

## FRI 04 SEPTEMBER

**SAT 05 SEPTEMBER** 

**LECTURERS EXCURSION** 

FINAL CRITS **PERSPECTIVES** 11:00 Final Crits 14:00 Final Crits Guest critic: Marcel Meili "Theses and Perspektives"

Guest critic: Marcel Meili Stephan Popp, Kilga Popp 13:00 "Challenging Conditions" "Tectonics and Interior Space" **14:00** Studio Mid-day break

**16:30** Review Astrid Staufer Daniel Meyer Martin Tschanz Marcel Meili Patric Fischli-Boson 19:30 Farewell party