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Welcome to the September 2011 Edition of **EDUCATE News!**

After the summer break, the EDUCATE partners have started the second stage of testing of the curriculum developments implemented at their academic organisations. This stage of analysis, the Field Testing, is set to also verify the effectiveness of the pedagogical support tools provided by the EDUCATE Portal, an interactive e-learning system on **sustainable environmental design** purposely developed by the EDUCATE project.

Concurrently, partners are monitoring the development of the **EDUCATE Prize**, an **International Student Award** that aims to celebrate the implementation of sustainability in the education of disciplines of the built environment and reward exempla of best practice in pedagogical methods and programme development. To date, numerous registrations to the Prize have already been received from **Europe**, the **Americas**, **Asia**, **Africa** and **Oceania**.

Registration to the **EDUCATE Prize** is freely open to academic staff members from Faculties, Schools and Departments of Architecture (or related discipline), who can register their course/studio and submit selected student works under one or all of the following Categories:

Category 1: Student Design Projects (Years of study 1-3, Undergraduate Degrees)

Category 2: Student Design Projects (Years of study 4-6 Graduate/Postgraduate Degrees)

Category 3: Open Student Work (All Years of the curriculum)

The **EDUCATE Prize** is an **International Award** celebrating outstanding **student work** that **creatively** investigates and reflects on the various dimensions of **sustainability** in **architecture** and **urban design**. The **Prize** also aims to reward **original** and **innovative** ideas and pedagogical methods promoting **sustainable principles** and **practices** in curricula of **higher education**.



The deadline for registration to the EDUCATE Prize is the **18th November 2011** and the deadline for **submission** is the **9th December 2011** (5pm Central European Time).

Awards range from **€ 200** to **€ 1,000** for each Category. The **Brief** is **open** and **flexible**, leaving a free choice for the themes to be analysed by the submitted proposals. Entries can be constituted by works produced by students during the current or previous academic years.

Academics registering to the Prize will also gain immediate, free and permanent access for themselves and for all their students to the **EDUCATE Knowledge Base**, a comprehensive online platform on environmental sustainability in architecture and urban design.

A demo of the Knowledge Base is available on http://www.educate-sustainability.eu/kb_video

To register, academic members of staff are simply requested to send a **Registration Form** to educate.prize@educate-sustainability.eu The Registration Form, the EDUCATE Prize Briefing Document and further information are available on <http://www.educate-sustainability.eu/prize>

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