

5. DOCUMENTS TO BE PRESENTED

- Identification details: Title of the thesis; Basic information about the author and a brief CV (2000 characters, counting spaces); Basic information about the thesis Director and about the centre where reading of the thesis took place along with the panel members or the committee who evaluated it. An abstract 5,000 characters long (counting spaces).
- A format free summary of the thesis in English, which should provide a synopsis of the work and an explanation of its contents. The maximum length of this summary should be 15 pages (in A4 PDF format). You may include illustrations.
- A complete digital copy of the thesis should be attached in the original language and in PDF format.

# THE SECOND MANUEL DE SOLÀ-MORALES EUROPEAN PRIZE 2019

## 1. AIM

Every two years, the Manuel de Solà-Morales European Prize recognizes the best university research in the field of urbanism carried out by a student granted a PhD. The award honours the memory of professor in urbanism, and architect, Manuel de Solà-Morales Rubió (1939-2012), who understood his subject as a creative and intellectual activity, committed to improving cities through what he called «persistent research».

The award seeks to give continuity to, and expand his vision of, the field; as many disciples and admirers have demonstrated since the first publication issued in tribute to him *Papers D'UR* 03/2012. The award is an academic initiative of the School of Architecture (ETSAB) at the Polytechnic University of Catalonia (UPC) where he taught for more than forty years. The Barcelona Urbanism Laboratory (LUB) which he founded in 1969, organizes, oversees and facilitates the

development of the award and the maximum dissemination of the works which receive it. The first Manuel de Solà-Morales Prize in 2017 was won by the thesis *L'architecture de la voie. Histoire et théories* by Éric Alonzo. The three other finalists were: *Developing Urbanism in Development: Five Episodes in the Making of the Volta River Project in (Post)colonial Ghana* by Viviana d'Auria; *El patrimonio fértil. Transferencias entre el paisaje agrario y la arquitectura en los crecimientos urbanos* by Francisco Javier Castellano Pulido and *El Paisaje Próximo. Fragmentos del Vale do Avedo* by Marta Labastida.

2. CANDIDATURES

Candidates can present any doctoral thesis that has urbanism as the object of the candidate's research. The thesis must have been written in a European language and must have been presented in a European university between January 1<sup>st</sup> 2014 and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017. It should also have obtained the maximum mark (*cum laude* or similar). The finished thesis should not yet have been published, either entirely or partially, nor must it be under consideration for publication.

3. INTERNATIONAL JURY

The jury for the Second Manuel de Solà-Morales European Prize will comprise:

- Dr. Marcel Smets, Architect and urban designer. Emeritus Professor at the University of Leuven. Chairman of the jury.

- Dr. Matthew Carmona, Architect, Professor of Planning & Urban Design, The Bartlett School of Planning, UCL.
- Montserrat Nogués i Teixidor, Architect, representing the Arquia Foundation.
- Dr. José González-Cebrián Tello, Architect, Honorary Professor of Urbanism at the Architecture School of A Coruña. Secretary of the jury and LUB's representative.

4. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

The authors of the theses, either through their own initiative or through that of their thesis director or another qualified person, should register using the application procedure on [www.lub.upc.edu/msmprize](http://www.lub.upc.edu/msmprize) and providing the detailed documentation requested at the website. Registration is free.

Based on these documents, the International Jury will draw up a short-list of finalists. The short-listed candidates will be expected to provide a hard copy of their complete theses, in addition to any additional information that the jury deems appropriate to aid it in its deliberations.

6. TIMETABLE

15th March to 15th July, 2018: Acceptance of Nominations.  
October 15th, 2018: Selection of finalists and the informing of candidates.  
January, 2019: Publication of the jury's verdict.  
February, 2019: Ceremony and Open Day.

7. AWARDS

The first prize is an award of €7000 and the publication of the work. Depending on the quality of the works submitted, the jury may consider issuing a number of finalists. The Prize winner and finalists will receive a diploma.

8. DIFFUSION

The winning doctoral thesis will be published by the Arquia Foundation in three differentiated volumes corresponding to Spanish, English and Portuguese. This will be coordinated by the LUB.

See specific conditions at [www.lub.upc.edu/msmprize](http://www.lub.upc.edu/msmprize)

9. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Finalist's originals will be returned to the authors upon request. The acceptance of the Manuel de Solà-Morales European Prize implies the candidates agreement to cede, free of charge, any rights of exploitation of the original in those three languages.

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