Design Contest

Basic info
In order to acquire project documentation of for the construction of the buildings and while taking into account the urbanistic and historical importance of the location and the extent of construction works, the management of the Charles university in Prague decided to announce an architectural competition or design tender according to the Act on Public Contracts and the Competition Rules of the Czech Chamber of Architects. Pursuant to §102 of the Act on Public Commissions and the Contest Code of the Czech Chamber of Architects, the sponsor calls for the design contest via the contest administrator. Then, pursuant to §23 section 6 of the Act on Public Commissions, the sponsor appoints the contractor of all degrees of the project documentation, and thus also the relevant project activities. In cooperation with the Czech Chamber of Architects, the conditions of the contest were set, and the design contest was publicly announced pursuant to the Act on Public Commissions and the Contest Code of the Czech Chamber of Architects.

Design contest presentation

The jury selected the architectural studio znamení čtyř - architekti as the winner of the competition, you can find their design together with others in the gallery HERE.

Moreover, on 14 February 2017, Charles University entered into the “Agreement on the Creation of Project Documentation and the Performance of Engineering Activities” with the winner of the negotiated procedure without prior publication, the architecture studio znamení čtyř – architekti.

Definition of the design contest
The subject of the contest is the building of contemporary, permanent facilities and socially beneficial facilities – Biocentrum and Globcentrum in Campus Albertov, in the cadastral area Prague – New Town. The Biocentrum research will focus on exploring live systems for the purposes of human health and new biotechnologies. Globcentrum will investigate aspects of global changes, such as the dynamics of climatic changes on Earth, changes in the distribution of organisms, global dynamics of biodiversity and role of invasion species, dynamics of vegetation in old and modern landscape and distribution of species, natural risks, or changes in the use of the land.

Further information about the contest here.

Type of the design contest
Open, international, architectural, public, anonymous, project-based, two-round contest, called pursuant to Act No. 137/2006 Coll., on public commissions, as amended.

Timetable
July 17, 2015: the Preliminary announcement was published in the Public Tender Journal and on the sponsor’s profile page.

September 1, 2015: the Architectural contest for the design of Campus Albertov - Biocentrum, Globcentrum was published in the Public Tender Journal and on the sponsor’s profile page.

September 16, 2015: the Seminar on the design contest was organized, together with the informal meeting of the academia and the representatives of the sponsor – Information on the development of the Campus Albertov project.

January 22 – February 22, 2016: The evaluation meeting of the jury for the 1st round of the contest.

July 2016: The evaluation meeting of the jury for the 2nd round of the contest.

August 1, 2016: a press conference was held, where the results of the second round of the architectural design competition - Campus Albertov - Biocentrum, Globcentrum were officially published. The winner was announced.

Competition catalogue
A complete overview; PDF file
Further information about the design contest, incl. the sponsor, conditions, jury, etc. can be found in the official catalogue: HERE