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Design competition "Reconstruction and Development Concept of "JSC "Riga international coach terminal""

Dear Sir/Madam,

On 25 March 2014 JSC "Riga international coach terminal" announces the design competition of coach terminal reconstruction and development concept. In accordance with the regulation, work can be submitted to 5 August, 2014.

Building of the coach terminal was built from 1960-1964, anticipating that the building shall be used to service Riga City and intercity busses. Architect of the building was G.Mincs. In September 1964 the coach terminal was opened the first time for the visitors.

JSC "Riga international coach terminal" is the largest coach terminal in the country and takes an important place in the city transport infrastructure. During the existence of the coach terminal building, it has not changed materially and no important rebuilding and reconstruction works are performed there. Every year the coach terminal serves more than 3 million persons and 146 thous. bus runs.

At the moment the coach terminal is physically outdated and hard to adjust for the needs of a modern transport hub.

Subject of design competition is the draft architecture design that reflects the construction intention for complex development of JSC "Riga international coach terminal" existing territory. Aim of competition is to obtain a high-quality town planning and architecture design for the object that is located within the UNESCO World Heritage List.

The design shall reflect the reconstruction of present coach terminal building and room extension solution that can be formed as an outbuilding. In the result of design competition, the architects must find a solution for coach terminal functioning purposes in future, solve the room extension in a way that organically included in the heritage environment and provides new added value.

Reconstruction and rebuilding of JSC "Riga international coach terminal" building and platform is required to create a multimodal transport hub that complies with contemporary requirements that ensures the needs and access possibilities of all passengers.

Task of formation the reconstruction and new building volume is:

- to maintain the coach terminal in Riga historical centre;
- to maintain the transport hub in city centre and create a beneficial environment and technological safety for its maintenance and usage;
- to ensure conditions that comply with the standards of modern transport hubs;
- to develop commercial areas to provide services required by clients:
- to facilitate development of bus transport in international context.

JSC "Riga international coach terminal" invites the architects, city planners, landscapers and designers to participate in the international design competition "Reconstruction and Development Concept of "JSC "Riga international coach terminal"". Further information and regulation of competition with annexes available on homepage of competition at http://metsautoosta.lv.

JSC "Riga international coach terminal" administration is looking forward to new ideas from architects from all over the world, invites you to accept the challenge and participate in the Competition. Furthermore, we encourage you to pass this invitation on to anyone who may be interested in participating. On behalf of JSC "Riga international coach terminal" we express our gratitude to you for attention and look forward to new excellent ideas, as well as architectonic and spatial solutions.

JSC "Riga international coach terminal"

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