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Increasing the Value of Public Buildings Assets

TECHNE issue no. 3 will contain articles in the form of papers, the results of research and experiments, reviews and contributions to the discussion, on a subject of topical interest and significance at international level and particularly in Italy: increasing the value of public building assets, within the framework of the more general theme of the integrated increase of the value of territories and cities.

The relevance of the topic stems from factors that have today, specifically in Italy, assumed criticality that needs to be faced: the neglect of this heritage and the consequences which can even be disastrous, highlighted in the case of exceptional events; the misuse, high running costs and low profitability of the assets compared with high and growing public debt. At the same time, however, increasing the value of public building assets is a means for the sustainable development of local systems, helping to protect and enhance the wealth of the territory, especially when enhancement is conceived as part of a coherent operation in line with the guidelines for territorial, economic and social development.

Increasing the value of public building assets, which are often deteriorated and/or unproductive, thus satisfies different purposes and proposes difficult and complex challenges on an economic, social, cultural, scientific and technical level. Going well beyond the goal of transfer of ownership, one of the instruments relied on to address the emergence of high Italian public debt, increasing the value may be associated with innovative strategies in the running of public building assets, in all their possible connotations.

Issue no. 3 of TECHNE will publish papers, research, experiments and contributions to the debate focused on tools, methods and actions aimed at increasing the value of the buildings, within a set of actions that involve the surrounding, anthropic and natural environment.

The call is open to disciplinary expertise in architecture, engineering, town planning and regional planning in economic, financial, legal and managerial areas.

Contributions on the following are encouraged:

- criteria and tools with which to take a census of the assets to be valued, estimate their potential and make feasibility analyses of the operations
- models and procedures in actions to increase the value
- redevelopment, renovation and restoration of the building assets and the territory
- management of the building assets
- improvement and promotion of the conditions for access and use
- improvement and promotion of levels of awareness.

This issue of the magazine intends to involve different professionals from Public Administrations to organizations that govern the territory and protect the cultural and landscape heritage, social associations – both cultural and political – and the manufacturing world.

Papers and articles on research and experiments, written in Italian and English, complete with abstracts, text and any images, must be sent to the address redazionetechne@tecnologi.net, by 31 January 2012. They will be subject to Peer Review for acceptance.

Preparation of the article should follow the editorial guidelines posted on the magazine’s website (see Information for Authors).
Authors may send the editorial team an abstract in Italian and English by 15 January 2012 if they wish to receive an opinion on the theme proposed before completing the complete article.

Contributions for the SITdA Network section, with a text of no more than 12,000 characters (including spaces), must be sent to the address redazionetechne@tecnologi.net, by 29 February 2012. Preparation of the article should follow the editorial guidelines posted on the magazine's website (see Information for Authors).