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Distinguished Rector,

It is my pleasure to inform you about a possibility for your university to get involved in a global INSPIRELI project and its INSPIRELI AWARDS talent contest which aims to help facilitate the launch of career of architects and designers under the age of 35. The contest is co-organized by Czech technical university in Prague which was founded in 1707. In its first two years, the INSPIRELI AWARDS contest became one of the most successful competitions to support young talents in architecture and design in the world.

In the year 2016, 1052 participants from 99 countries and more than 300 universities from all over the world provided altogether over 2900 contest photos and received 25,626 votes. 50 competitors from 25 countries and 37 universities were chosen in the final round. Winners, the participants from Italy, Japan and Iran, were selected by the professional jury of 55 top architects from 6 continents. The contestant from France succeeded in a public voting.

The project already enjoys the support of International Union of Architects (UIA) and cooperate with Africa Union of Architects as well as many other national associations. The organizing team consists of professors, students and the most renowned architects from all continents, including professor Otto Dvořák (who served 15 years at Harvard University) as well as two ex-presidents of the AIA European chapter.

Distinguished Rector, it would be a great honour if your university could actively participate in the contest. Should you be interested, I would like to kindly ask you to contact the Director of the project, Dr. Karel Smejkal by e-mail: [school@inspireli.com](mailto:school@inspireli.com), and provide him with a contact person from your university who would help coordinate the project. Further information can be also found on the following website: [www.inspireliAwards.com](http://www.inspireliAwards.com).

Yours faithfully

*K. Smejkal*