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CAPITheticAL
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1000 register for national capital ideas competition

Over 1,000 artists, graphic designers, architects, urban planners and environmentalists have registered to enter CAPITheticAL, the competition to review Canberra's history and help the nation imagine how an Australian national capital might be created today.

"The interest in the Centenary of Canberra competition has been overwhelming with registrations from over 40 countries including Russia, India, Germany and Vietnam" said David Parken, CEO Australian Institute of Architects.

"With so many registrations I look forward to seeing the creative and thought-provoking entries that convey the best design ideas that respond to the current issues of climate change and urban density that face our future cities," said David Parken, CEO Australian Institute of Architects.

"What we want to see are big creative and hypothetical ideas that are outside the box that will help shape the world's future cities in the 21st century and beyond."

"CAPITheticAL has captured the attention of tertiary institutions with the University of Canberra, the Queensland University of Technology, the University of Sydney and RMIT including the competition in their curriculum— we look forward to seeing student ideas on our urban future."

Online entries opened on 30 September. A Q&A document is available online that addresses the queries from potential entrants about the competition.

\$100,000 worth of prizes will be awarded to the winners. Those that have registered can submit their entries from now until the deadline of 31st January 2012.

Prize winners will be announced in March 2013. There will be a curated exhibition of selected entries.

CAPITheticAL is a Centenary of Canberra project, proudly supported by the ACT Government and the Australian Government and administered by the Australian Institute of Architects.

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