

What is BAUA?

On 14 November 1990 the unions of architects of Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania established the Baltic Architects Unions Association (BAUA) to become direct full scale members of the International Union of Architects (*Union internationale des Architectes* - UIA, www.uia-architectes.org) bypassing the USSR. Before regaining independence the architects unions of all three Baltic states were regional offices of the Union of Architects of the USSR. Thanks to the newly established association, in 1993 during the World Congress of Architects in Chicago, BAUA was admitted as a collective member to the UIA. Consequently, the BAUA represents the architects of the Baltic States in the world community of architects.

Every third year the UIA organizes the World Congress of Architects. In late September of 2011 its current XXIVth congress will take place in Tokyo (www.uia2011tokyo.com). In such a forum the members (in our case BAUA) are willing to create an impression of themselves, the state, the region, definitely with an architectural character. In the previous congress, held in Turin in 2008, a stand, where the participants of the congress could watch a video on the latest architectural facts in Tallinn, Riga and Vilnius, was developed (installed) owing to the Initiative of Estonia,

Also at the forthcoming event BAUA intend to announce of the Baltics. In what form, what setting, with what content? These are the issues to which the organizers wish to have answers.



At BAUA stand in UIA XXIIIrd Congress Turin,
H. Kesler, curator and organizer of the BAUA stand, current vice president of BAUA representing Estonia (not pictured) left
K. Pempe - president of AAL ,
S. Nikiforovs - president of LUA,
Gaetan Siew - president of UIA,
J. Poga - current president of BAUA,

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