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## ECOWEEK NEWS 03.13

### MAKING A DIFFERENCE: ONE (more) WORKSHOP AT A TIME

In March 3-8 ECOWEEK took place in the Middle East for the third time - since 2010. Workshops were hosted in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, assigned with real projects including: the **covering of Ayalon Highway** in Tel Aviv, creating an **installation on Rabin Square** in Tel Aviv, designing a **sustainable pilgrimage route in Azaryia** (West Bank), redesigning the **pedestrian route of the Port of Tel Aviv**, **redesigning the Sipholux building** in Tel Aviv, and designing the **edges of the South Park** in Tel Aviv based on the principles of Biomimicry. In addition, a group of HIT students worked at the Terminal in Bat Yam, where they suggested ways to **revive an open courtyard into a semi-public community space**. Students and professionals networked and attended lectures by world-leading professionals, including Marta

Pozo (**MVRDV**), Chris Sherwin (**Seymour Powell**), Byron Stigge (**Level Agency** for Infrastructure), and more! The next gathering in the Middle East will take place in 2014.

Workshops on real projects opening in Copenhagen and Istanbul! **ECOWEEK New Nordic Living** takes place in **Copenhagen in May 13-19** organized by KEA School of Design and Technology [[more](#)]. **ECOWEEK Crossing the Bridge Between Tradition and Vision** takes place in **Istanbul in June 17-21** organized by Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University [[more](#)]. An international gathering of students, young and established architects, designers, landscape designers in beautiful and green Copenhagen and in magical and mystical Istanbul. Don't miss!

Best,

Elias

*Elias Messinas, Architect and ECOWEEK Founding Chairman*

## ECOWEEK NEW NORDIC LIVING: Copenhagen May 13-19

From 13 - 19 May Copenhagen will be hosting 300+ Danish and international students and young professionals who will be participating in ECOWEEK - New Nordic Living. ECOWEEK is about designing sustainable solutions to existing problems. Students and young professionals will work across different disciplines, nationalities and point of views to create solutions which will be judged by some of the key players within the urban development community. Save the dates! [[more](#)]

## ECOWEEK Crossing the Bridge Between Tradition and Vision: Istanbul June 17-21

From 17th – 21st June 2013 Istanbul will be hosting Turkish and international students and young professionals – architects, designers, landscape



### Upcoming Events

**13-19/5**

ECOWEEK in COPENHAGEN  
New Nordic Living - with KEA  
[More](#)

**17-21/6**

ECOWEEK in ISTANBUL  
with Mimar Sinan FA University  
[More](#)

**September 2013:**

ECOWEEK in Rome  
*More details to be posted*

**21-27/10**

designers, engineers – who will be participating in ECOWEEK-ISTANBUL: Crossing The Bridge Between Tradition and Vision. ECOWEEK 2013 in Istanbul was initiated and is organized by MIMAR SINAN FINE ARTS UNIVERSITY Department of Architecture.

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## ECOWEEK & MEA2013 Mediterranean Sustainable Architecture Awards Competition

The MEA2013 Awards is a new International Design Awards' competition, organized by Building Green Magazine, honoring the most innovative and creative design solutions that have been completed during the last five years in the Mediterranean zone. These awards are an opportunity to point out innovative sustainable design projects realized around the Mediterranean basin, where climate and economic conditions are akin. The goal is to enhance the exchange of ideas on environmentally conscious design, and enrich the ecological sustainability approach. It also aims at highlighting projects that follow the principles of sustainability in architecture, mainly through environmentally responsive passive design solutions. Mostly welcome, for the MEA 2013 Awards, are projects that draw from local resources, respect regional identity, promote diversity and comply with ecological principles. [\[More\]](#)

ECOWEEK in Krakow

*More details to be posted*

**November 2013:**

ECOWEEK in Belgrade

*More details to be posted*

Stay tuned for more updates!



*ECOWEEK exhibition, Tel Aviv*

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*'ECOWEEK brings together people who want to go beyond restrictions!'*

*'ECOWEEK was unforgettable! I wish it would never end!'*

*'The guidance of my workshop leaders was very professional and very helpful and I learned a lot!'*

*'I found about ECOWEEK through Google search. What attracted me to ECOWEEK was that it offered an alternative to other conferences.'*