

PRESS RELEASE

WHAT: SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE Workshop – Climate Responsive Design
WHEN: November 21 to 23, 2016
WHERE: UP Diliman College of Architecture, and University of Santo Tomas Paredes Building

MANILA. **BUILD CONSCIOUSLY.** The Goethe-Institut Philippinen invites German engineer and consultant at Transsolar New York, **Dr. Nadir Abdessemed**, to perform a series of workshops and a public lecture entitled “**SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE – Climate Responsive Design in Architecture**”. This series is designed to further educate students and young professionals, about eco-friendly design solutions and energy efficiency in architecture.

Sustainable architecture is a philosophy of designing buildings to comply with the principles of social and economic sustainability. This ecological concept seeks to minimize the negative environmental impact of buildings by the efficient and moderate use of materials, energy, and development space in architectural design. This conscious approach ensures that today’s actions and decisions do not inhibit the opportunities of future generations.

Three workshops and a public lecture are scheduled from November 21 to 23, and are open to students and young professionals in the fields of architecture, civil and mechanical engineering, and other sustainable practices. The schedule of workshops and lecture is as follows:

NOVEMBER 21

UP Diliman College of Architecture
1 to 6 PM

WORKSHOP FOR STUDENTS

NOVEMBER 22

UP Diliman College of Architecture
1 to 6 PM

WORKSHOP FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

NOVEMBER 23

University of Santo Tomas, 4th Floor Paredes Building
10 AM to 1 PM

WORKSHOP FOR STUDENTS

3 to 6 PM

PUBLIC LECTURE

All the above-mentioned engagements by Mr. Abdessemed is free. Slots and seating are on a first-come-first-served basis. Registration to the workshops are done by sending your name by e-mail to program@manila.goethe.org.



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All participants shall be required to bring their own laptop for the scheduled workshops.

ABOUT DR. ABDESSEMED

A current guest lecturer at the GSD in Harvard, Dr. Nadir Abdessemed is a project leader at Transsolar's Stuttgart office where he advises architects and urban planners on energy efficient design. He had been based at Transsolar New York for several years and has managed international projects of different complexity and scale. Inspiring and realizing design vision has resulted in celebrated architecture, but also humble projects with emerging offices where he developed practical strategies for climate responsive design.

Dr. Abdessemed graduated from the Department of Mechanics in Darmstadt and received his PhD from Imperial College London, where he developed novel computational tools to model the airflow past complex geometries. In Germany he served in the expert committee on human thermal comfort for the German Society of Sustainable Building (DGNB).

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