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## In FRANCE - 2016 National Day of ARCHITECTURE in SCHOOLS

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**USPA NEWS** - For the first time this year, in FRANCE, will be held a National Day of Architecture in Classes (schools). It is organized by 'Le Réseau des Maisons de l'Architecture'. It will start in November with a Test Area 'Pays de la Loire' to be extended to all regions next year....

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On October 20, 2015, Fleur Pellerin (ex Minister of Culture and Communication) went to the Graduate school of architecture of Paris Belleville to present her national strategy for the architecture. She was wishing 'to give a increased role to the architects '. The architecture represents 10 % of cultural jobs vacancies and 8 % of the turnover of the cultural sector today, so that the importance of this sector to be better recognized. Members of parliament so adopted about fifteen arrangements concerning the relation of the architecture in the heritage and in the town and country planning, the recognition of the role of the councils of architecture in town planning and the environment, the constructed properties and the education.

This national strategy, underlined Fleur Pellerin 'comes to recognize how much the talent of the architects is essential, at this crucial time, to answer the challenges that share all the French people : the housing, the energy transition, the improvement of the living environment, the ageing of the people and the stones '.

Six main roads of the strategy :

- \* To raise awareness and to develop the knowledge of the architecture by the general public and all the public actors
- \* To Take into account the architectural inheritance of the XXth and XXIth centuries and to develop the architectural intervention to value and transform the existing built frame
- \* To Articulate training and to move closer to the professional universes of the architecture, the construction and the living environment
- \* To Identify and to mobilize the skills of architecture
- \* To Distinguish the economic value of the architecture and to accompany the professional transformations
- \* To Support the experimental initiative and its cultural value

So, in the year 2016, continuation of the discussion and the definitive adoption of the bill concerning the freedom of the creation, concerning the architecture and concerning the heritage. And in the Autumn 2016, first National Day of the Architecture.

The main collaborators during the National Day of Architecture in Classes :

- On the National Level :

- \* La Fédération Nationale des CAUE
- \* Le Collège des Directeurs des ENSA
- \* L'Association Nationale des Animateurs du Patrimoine

\* La Cité de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine

- On the Regional Level :

\* Le Rectorat

\* Les Directions Régionales des Affaires Culturelles des Pays de la Loire (DRAC)

\* The Two Architecture Centres of Pays de la Loire

\* Les Conseils d'Architecture, d'Urbanisme et de l'Environnement (CAUE)

\* ENSA Nantes & ENSA Grenoble

\* Le Conseil Régional de l'Ordre des Architectes (CROA)

\* Les Villes et Pays d'Art et d'Histoire (VPAH)

On November 19, 2016, discovery of models created by children, a revisited public spaces by classes of children (works done after weeks of research, discoveries, area visits, discussions...) and an Exhibition will be held in the presence of institutional partners...

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