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AT THE VERY HEART OF PARIS, A “MONUMENT-ISLAND”



Set in the very heart of Paris, **the Île de la Cité is one of the most iconic and renowned places of the capital**, a showcase of its historic layers built over centuries. Yet its current urban condition could hardly be considered as satisfactory. Limited by poor touristic facilities and pedestrian planning, foreigners often visit Notre Dame in a hurry while Parisians simply prefer to avoid the place. With the upcoming relocation of several major institutions located on the Île de la Cité, namely the Paris Court of Justice and the Police headquarters for which new buildings are under construction in the north of Paris, now is the time to think and imagine better urban qualities for this UNESCO-listed heritage site.

In December 2015, the French President François Hollande decided to address this challenge by entrusting Dominique Perrault, architect and urbanist, along with Philippe Bélaval, President of the French Center for National Monuments, to carry out **a prospective study on the future of the Île de la Cité over the next 25 years.**

TEAM



Philippe Bélaval

President of the Centre des Monuments Nationaux

Born in 1955 • Master's degree in public law (Institut d'études politiques de Toulouse) • École Nationale d'Administration (1979) • Institut des Hautes Études de Défense Nationale

Auditer of the Council of State (1979-83) • Technical advisor (1983-84), then chargé de mission (1984-86) at the office of Henri Emmanuelli, minister for the Budget • Of the Council of State (1986-88) • Deputy Director of the office (1988-89), then director of the office (1989-90) of Michel Durafour, Minister of the Civil Service and the administrative Reforms • Executive Director of the Théâtre national de l'Opéra de Paris (1990-92) • Executive Director of the French National Library in Paris (1994-98) • Director of the Archives de France at Ministry of Culture and Communication (1998-2000) • President of the Administrative Court of Appeal of Bordeaux (2001-04), then the one of Versailles (2004-08) • President of the board of the Institut national du patrimoine (2008) • Head of the permanent mission on the administrative jurisdictions inspection (2008-10) • President of the Higher Council for Literary and Artistic Property (2009-10) • Executive Director of Heritages at the Ministry of Culture and Communication (2010-12) • President of the Centre des Monuments Nationaux (National Monuments Center) (since 2012).



Dominique Perrault

Architect and urbanist

Born in 1953 • Diploma in architecture (École Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts de Paris) • Higher diploma in town planning at École supérieure des Ponts et Chaussées de Paris • Postgraduate degree in History at EHESS

Founder of Dominique Perrault Architecture in Paris (1981), in Berlin (1992), in Luxembourg (2000), in Madrid (2006) and in Geneva (2013) • Architect, winner of the international competition for the French National Library in Paris (1995), the Court of Justice of the European Communities in Luxembourg (2008) and the New Ewha Womans University Campus Center at Seoul (2008) • Architect of important heritage restorations, including the redevelopment of the Dufour Pavilion at the Château de Versailles (2016), the renovation of La Poste du Louvre in Paris (2018) et the New Longchamp Racecourse in Paris (2017). Member of the Conseil scientifique de l'Atelier International du Grand Paris (since 2012) • Professor of Architecture at the Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (since 2013) • Founder of the research platform DPax (2015) • Elected Member of the Académie des Beaux-Arts (depuis 2015), Praemium Imperiale laureate for architecture awarded by the Japan Art Association at 2015.

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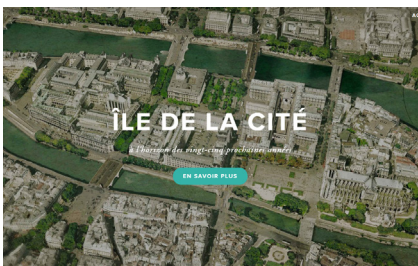
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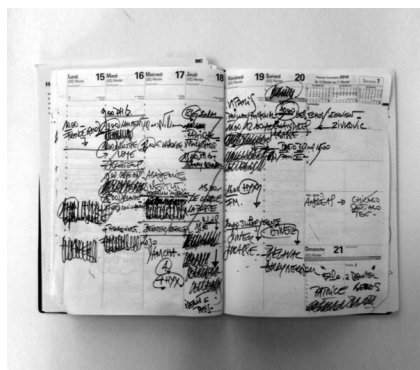
February

A meeting with French president François Hollande, French Minister of Culture Audrey Azoulay, Mayor of Paris Anne Hidalgo, Philippe Bélaïval, Dominique Perrault and other representatives is held at Palais de l'Élysée.



Bienvenue !

Sur ce site, vous pourrez suivre les activités de la mission sur l'île de la Cité confiée par le Président de la République à Philippe Bélaïval et Dominique Perrault. Cette mission d'étude et d'accompagnement a pour objectif de réfléchir à l'avenir de cette île sur les vingt-cinq prochaines années, notamment en matière d'usage et de logement.



February

The website is launched!
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February > June

Philippe Bélaïval and Dominique Perrault weekly meet representatives of the various and numerous institutions and ministries located on the Île de la Cité: City of Paris, Justice, Home Affairs, Hospitals of Paris, Church, etc.

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Dominique Perrault attended the diploma jury at the National Architecture School of Paris-Belleville (Studio conducted by J.P. Midant).



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The French newspaper Le Monde published a paper authored by journalist M. Guérin, presenting the frame and the aims of the mission.

February

The team visited the archaeological crypt in front of Notre Dame.

March

The dialogue with the inhabitants will be launched, in order to collect ideas, wishes and dreams for the island, through e-mails and social networks (Flickr, Twitter, etc.).