

ammodo architecture days 2026

Ammodo Architecture Days Brings Together Leading Voices in Socially and Ecologically Responsible Architecture

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Ammodo Architecture announces the inaugural edition of the Ammodo Architecture Days, a recurring event of Ammodo Architecture, a programme of the Ammodo Foundation dedicated to advancing socially and ecologically responsible architecture worldwide. Taking place in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, on **9 and 10 November 2026**, the invitation-only event brings together internationally renowned architects and leading practitioners with recipients of the Ammodo Architecture Award 2024 and 2025 to share knowledge, experiences, ideas and challenges. The gathering will include architects, landscape architects, urban planners, artists, communities, collectives and multidisciplinary design teams. Through a symposium, exhibition, publication launch and ceremony, the event creates space for dialogue across disciplines and contexts, serving as a platform for exploring new directions in social and ecological architecture.

From 2026 onwards, the Ammodo Architecture Award and the Ammodo Architecture Days will alternate biennially. The Architecture Days complement the Ammodo Architecture Award, a prize that showcases the rich diversity of global architectural practice and sets new standards for social engagement and ecological responsiveness, alongside an international knowledge platform presented in both online and physical formats. Together, the three initiatives foster exchange and recognition across the field.

Shared Challenges, Shared Solutions

More than a meeting of experts, Ammodo Architecture Days is designed as a platform where ideas from around the world are tested and new perspectives take shape. By connecting practitioners across diverse cultural and geographic contexts, scales and disciplines, the programme creates space to share best practices, tools, methods and processes, including successes, failures and lessons learned, while exploring how local architectural knowledge can bring relevant solutions and advance new standards for community-focused and environmental architecture. Taking place at Westergas, where Ammodo Architecture is based, the event unfolds at a former industrial site that has been transformed into one of Europe's most celebrated examples of urban regeneration.

Ammodo Architecture Days is centred around six interconnected themes and is exemplified by **49 awarded projects** that demonstrate how local knowledge, collective action, resourcefulness and imagination can bring relevant responses to social and ecological challenges, creating resilient futures while strengthening identity, collective wellbeing and agency. The six themes are: Reclaim, Heritage, Urban Acupuncture, Rebalance, Mastering Material and Reuse.

The themes are illustrated by projects from the first two winning cohorts of the Ammodo Architecture Award, including **Machan_Korail Community Platform** by Paraa (Bangladesh), a community-led social and cultural space transforming a former dumping ground in one of Dhaka's largest low-income settlements; **VinziRast am Land** by gaupenraub+/- (Austria), which transforms a former luxury hotel into an inclusive residential and working community for people on the margins of society; and **Sustainable Alleys** by RAMA estudio (Ecuador), a neighbourhood-scale pilot that reimagines Quito's alleys as greener, safer and more socially connected public spaces, among others.



Machan_Korail Community Platform

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VinziRast am Land

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Sustainable Alleys

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Ammodo Architecture Days: A Four-Part Programme

The Symposium

The symposium brings together award recipients, members of the Ammodo Architecture Advisory Committee, ambassadors and international experts for a day of lectures, conversations and workshops. Contributors include **Andrés Jaque**, Architect, Dean and Professor at Columbia University GSAPP, New York; **Anupama Kundoo**, Architect and Professor at TU Berlin; **Floris Alkemade**, Architect and former Chief Government Architect of the Netherlands; **Loreta Castro Reguera**, Architect and Professor at UNAM, Mexico City; and **Aric Chen**, Director of the Zaha Hadid Foundation, London. The symposium takes place on 10 November 2026 and is by invitation only.

The Exhibition

A curated exhibition designed by Thonik, Studio LMNOP and Fiction Factory brings together projects of Ammodo Architecture Award recipients from 2024 and 2025. Rather than presenting the projects solely as finished works, the exhibition explores the ideas, processes and contexts behind them, offering an introduction to diverse approaches to socially and ecologically responsible architecture across the world. The exhibition will subsequently travel internationally and be presented publicly, with further locations to be announced.

The Publication

A new publication accompanying the Ammodo Architecture Days, published by Hatje Cantz, brings together essays by leading contributors alongside in-depth analysis of the awarded projects. Reflecting on themes emerging from the recipients of the Ammodo Architecture Award across its last two editions, the publication explores how architecture can respond to today's pressing social and ecological challenges. Order from [Hatje Cantz](#).

The Award Ceremony

The ceremony celebrates the recipients of the 2024 and 2025 Ammodo Architecture Award. Presented across three categories (Social Architecture, Social Engagement and Local Scale), the awards recognise outstanding contributions ranging from locally driven initiatives and collaborative practices to internationally recognised buildings that demonstrate excellence in addressing social and ecological challenges. Together, the categories reflect Ammodo Architecture's ambition to recognise different scales and forms of practice contributing to a more socially and ecologically responsible built environment. The award itself is designed by Atelier NL.

Voices from Ammodo Architecture Days

'When architecture is viewed through a social and ecological lens, an extraordinary field of possibilities comes into view – across continents, cultures and scales of practice. We see Ammodo Architecture Days as a catalyst for these possibilities: a platform where ideas, conversations and new ways of practising architecture can come together.'

Marleen van Driel - Director, Ammodo Architecture

'Ammodo supports the development of art, science, and architecture –we believe new knowledge and perspectives in these fields help shape society's future. This is the first time we present the Ammodo Architecture Days in this form, and it feels like a natural next step. Architecture occupies a fertile space between imagination and knowledge, drawing on the creative force of art and the investigative rigour of science – a profoundly human endeavour that shapes how we relate to one another.'

Juliette de Wijkerslooth - General Director, Ammodo

'Meaningful work begins with listening – to communities, to places, and to the specific intelligence that grows only in context. Every geography carries its own knowledge. Ammodo Architecture Days creates a space for these different perspectives to come together, to listen, exchange and learn from one another.'

Joumana El Zein Khoury - Advisory Committee Chair, Ammodo Architecture

About Ammodo Architecture

Ammodo Architecture is a programme of the Ammodo Foundation dedicated to advancing socially and ecologically responsible architecture worldwide. The programme comprises two interconnected initiatives: the Ammodo Architecture Award and an international knowledge platform. Together, they foster exchange and recognition across the field.

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Press Notes

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- A press briefing will take place on **10 November at 8:45 am** in Amsterdam, preceding the symposium. The briefing will include a breakfast tour of the exhibition and opportunities to meet speakers and participants. To attend, please contact marie@wearemuzine.com
- Additional information on Ammodo Architecture and Ammodo Foundation funding can be found on <https://www.ammodo-architecture.org/faq>