





# India Arch Dialogue

AN ARCHITECTURAL EXHIBIT
PRESENTATIONS, DIALOGUES & A MODEL SHOW

India Arch Dialogue was FCDI's maiden exhibit at the recently concluded India design Week 2016. Our exhibit featured architectural models and talks by participating international architects were extremely well received. World famous architects Mario Bellini, Toyo Ito, Fernando Menis, Greg Reaves and Johannes Robbrecht flew down especially to be a part of this event making presentations to a packed house each time.

The main objective in conducting this dialogue was to take forward existing design sensibilities and help develop and evolve them. We want to help spread awareness within our community about the newest design developments and make it easily accessible to all design enthusiasts- professional and amateur.









The visiting architects spoke about their projects, their guiding philosophies and design at large to a very interested audience comprising students and eminent architects from all over India. It was inspiring to hear their talk, to see their humility and passion for their craft that combines natural resources in the most phenomenal and rewarding ways. Interestingly, our speakers, all of whom are at the top of their field professionally, also appreciated our efforts in a big way. We are flattered to say the least, but, also humbled by their very generous praise. The success of this event has been absolutely awe-inspiring. The entire architect and professional design community has lauded this event in a big way. Many have pledged support and patronage. We are overwhelmed.

## Speakers at India Arch Dialogue



Mr. Fernando Menis



Mr. Toyo Ito



Mr. Greg Reaves



Mr. Mario Bellini



Mr. Verender Wakhloo



Mr. John Robbrecht

## Models at India Arch Dialogue



The Iiyama Cultural Hall "Nachura Exhibited by Kengo Kuma



Mumbai City Museum, North Wing Exhibited by Steven Holl



"Ghent Market Hall" Exhibited by Robbrecht en Daem architecten



Pelt & MEDIALAB-PRADO, MADRID Exhibited by Langarita-Navarro



Tazias Exhibited by Bijoy Jain



National Taichung Theater Exhibited by Toyo Ito



"Hatching, The Origin of a city" Exhibited by Fernando Menis



The Habitat of the Future Exhibited by Moshe Safdie

Students have been particularly excited about the event. Many came from distant cities to be a part of this event. Getting a direct and personal interface with some of the greatest architectural minds was really huge for them. They are keen to know if we would be hosting such events in other cities too.

#### FCDI Speakers at India Arch Dialogue





Support came in from corporate houses too. The house of Jindal, a US\$ 2 b company, was particularly supportive of our efforts and hosted a special evening at the <sup>3</sup> Indian Accent<sup>2</sup> to felicitate our initiative on the 12th of Feb, 2016. A beautifully conceptualised evening matched equally by Master Chef Manish Mehrotra<sup>1</sup>s award winning cuisine took our celebration to an altogether different level. Attended by over a 100 of our country<sup>1</sup>s top architectural minds, we could not have asked for more.







Following this was a reception hosted by HE Ambassador of Italy Lorenzo Angeloni at his residence in Delhi¹s diplomatic enclave on the 14th of Feb, 2016, to felicitate FCDI and visiting Italian designers. L¹Aperitivo" was an evening spent with some of the most amazing minds from the world of design, fashion and architecture. We are indebted to HE Ambassador Angeloni for opening his home and heart to our community. He lauded the idea behind FCDI and promised support of his embassy and country wherever needed. We look forward to seeing some wonderful collaborations emerging out of the myriad conversations had that day.

### "L' Aperitivo", an evening of drinks and food by Italian Ambassador







The bar is now set higher for us and we hope to be able to achieve more with our next mega event India Arch Dialogue, edition 2, planned for January 20