

## Contest Rules

# **Green renovation of a Romanian apartment or single-family home**

**Participants: Students**

**Organizers:**



## **1. General information**

### **1.1. Subject**

The subject of the contest is the creative approach to the concept of green renovation of a building. The aim is to design a renovation project of a typical Romanian apartment or single family home in order to create a better living space, in terms of energy efficiency, indoor air quality, comfort and impact on the environment.

The apartment/single family home is intended for families with 1-2 children.

Participants are free to start from the example of their own apartment, one of a friend or family. However, it is required to provide both the initial and the final stage of the project, including a description of the proposed changes, of the materials selected, as well as of their role and impact on the life of the occupants. Within the scope of the project, participants are free to design and propose changes and improvements in terms of construction characteristics, interior design, landscape design, etc.

Although the participants are free to choose the apartment/single family home plan and design the renovation so that the space suits better their needs in terms of comfort and utility, two requirements should be fulfilled:

- ◆ The renovation needs to take into account the principles of building and renovating green.
- ◆ All the proposed changes must be able to be implemented by reasonably skilled home owner(s) or small contractors as a “do-it-yourself” (DIY) project, using materials and products available on the market.

### **1.2. Participation**

The contest is open to students enrolled in fulltime courses of architecture, interior design, construction engineering and related disciplines at universities in Romania.

Participation is allowed on an individual basis or in teams of up to 3 people. Multidisciplinary teams are encouraged. Only one project may be submitted per person and team.

### **1.3. Organizers**

Romania Green Building Council and bauMax Romania are organizing the contest.

The Romania Green Building Council is a non-profit, non-political association of companies that promotes sustainable constructions by providing specific trainings, implementing pilot projects

that demonstrate the feasibility of green buildings in Romania and working with the public authorities for encouraging the necessary legislative measures for building green.

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bauMax is one of the most successful DIY companies in Central and Eastern Europe, with 137 outlets in 8 countries; in Romania, the company operates in the present 7 locations (in Brasov, Sibiu, Tg Mures, Cluj, Craiova, Suceava and Bacau) and plans new openings for the next immediate period, covering the whole scale of large, medium and small cities, such as Iasi (19 November), Ploiesti (24 November), Constanta, Oradea, Braila, Pitesti and of course, Bucharest.

For more information, please contact: Lucia Ungureanu, Marketing Manager, at +40 - 31 620 2700.

#### **1.4. Contest organization, prizes and deadlines**

The contest is a national competition where the top 20 best entries will be selected, of which the best three projects will be awarded as follows:

- ◆ First prize – a 2500 RON, in products available in the bauMax stores across the country
- ◆ Second prize – a 1500 RON, in products available in the bauMax stores across the country
- ◆ Third prize – a 1000 RON, in products available in the bauMax stores across the country.

Each individual or team member of the twenty best entries will receive a certificate of their achievement issued by the Romania Green Building Council.

The top twenty projects will be displayed throughout the exhibition “Verde...la preturi mici”, held during November 23 – December 6, at the bauMax store in Ploiesti.

The prizes and the certificates will be received on November 23, at a ceremony held at the inauguration of the new bauMax store in Ploiesti, the first green retail DIY store in Romania. The inauguration event is expected to receive strong national media attention.

The winning project and the top twenty projects to be exhibited are selected by a jury formed of Romania Green Building Council experts, bauMax representatives and a green architect.

- ◆ The contest starts October 26, 2009
- ◆ The closing date for submissions is November 11, 2009
- ◆ The jury will select the winning projects November 12-November 15, 2009
- ◆ The winning project and the exhibition projects will be announced on November 16, 2009
- ◆ The award ceremony will take place on November 23, 2009 at the opening of the bauMax store in Ploiesti
- ◆ The projects will be exhibited at the store in Ploiesti during the period November 23 – December 6.

## 1.5. Legal aspects

The contest participants shall retain unlimited copyright on their projects. The submitted documentation shall become property of the organizers (Romania Green Building Council and bauMax). In addition, the organizer shall obtain the full rights of use, and all participants implicitly agree to the publication of their projects.

The decision of the jury shall be final. All participants hereby accept the incontestable and definite nature of the jury's decisions.

By participating in the contest, the students acknowledge and accept the terms and conditions laid down in this invitation for submissions.

All contest participants agree with their signature below that they will only submit original work.

The teams are responsible themselves for agreeing to share any prize money or travel reimbursement. The organizers will only select the winning project and not arbitrate any allocations between team members.

## 2. Competition requirements

### 2.1 The following minimum requirements should be observed:

- ◆ Detailed plan 1:50, before and after the renovation
- ◆ Plan(s) to show the green building solutions integrated 1:100
- ◆ 3D renderings of the renovated apartment/single family home
- ◆ Design report – description of the design concept, use of green solutions and feasibility for DIY

### 2.2. Formalities for submissions

Projects should be submitted in A1 format (59.4 x 84.1 cm).

The files should follow the requirements below:

- ◆ Dimensions: 59.4x84.1 cm
- ◆ Resolution: 150 dpi
- ◆ Format: tiff, eps or pdf
- ◆ Color mode: CMYK
- ◆ Include the project title as well as the author(s)' name(s)

In addition to the submission of the project per se, the participants are required to fill in and submit the Application Form, attached to this invitation for submissions. All participants must provide their signature as proof of agreement to the terms.

Participants can submit their projects and application forms electronically, at [laura.nemoianu@RoGBC.org](mailto:laura.nemoianu@RoGBC.org), upload the archived project on [www.RoGBC.org](http://www.RoGBC.org), or send a CD with the project, by mail, at the Romania Green Building Council Office on 21, Ialomicioarei Street, Sector 1, 011277, Bucharest.

### 2.3 Assessment criteria

The selected Jury will assess the submitted projects based on the following criteria:

- ◆ 40% - Renovation design (comfort, utility)
- ◆ 30% - Feasibility for DIY (do-it-yourself)
- ◆ 30% - Technical understanding and integration of the green building principles

### 3. Further reading

You may consider useful the following materials:

- ◆ **Green building training videos**
  - [Energy performance of buildings](#)
  - [Green building techniques](#)
  - [Green design principles](#)
  - [Green hotels](#)
  - [Sustainable construction materials](#)
- ◆ **bauMax online guide for DIY**
  - [Energy saving measures](#)
  - [Constructions](#)
  - [Interior](#)
  - [Technical guide](#)
  - [Garden](#)

# Application Form

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## Participant

Name:

Signature:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Matriculation number:

University:

Year of study:

## Additional participants (for project teams)

Name:

Signature:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Matriculation number:

University:

Year of study:

Name:

Signature:

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Matriculation number:

University:

Year of study:

With our signature, we hereby confirm the authorship of the submitted project.

Location, date: