



# PRESS RELEASE

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The PBM group is once again organizing the STAIRS DESIGN AWARDS competition for student architects. Registration started on Monday, October 17.

## Stairs Design Awards #3, an innovative competition

The idea is simple: design an innovative staircase. Architect students are invited to imagine a staircase with a strong identity, becoming a key architectural element, well beyond its basic functional role. The use of concrete must be obvious but other materials can be associated with it. The staircase must keep a staircase function, comply with accessibility rules and be feasible.

# **Conditions of participation**

This competition is free and open to all students enrolled in a school of architecture in France, Belgium, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Germany or Spain for the year 2022-2023. Candidates can present themselves either individually or as a team. All the registration procedures are presented on the website dedicated to the competition:

https://www.pbm-stairsdesignawards.fr/?lang=en

## **Key dates**

Registration: 17 October 2022 au 13 January 2023

Dead line for project submission: 17 February 2023

Annoucement of the 10 finalists: 6 March 2023

Public vote: du 6 March au 26 March 2023, Internet users are invited to vote for their favorite project

Awards Ceremony: 3 April 2023, la Sucrière, Lyon

#### **Awards**

The winners are determined by the jury, made up of architects, teachers and the management of PBM Groupe. They will receive the following amounts::

1<sup>st</sup> prize : 8 000 € 2<sup>nd</sup> prize : 5 000 € 3<sup>rd</sup> prize : 2 500 €

People's Choice Award: 1500 €

Prize PBM: 1500 € (internal voting by PBM Groupe employees)

# **About PBM**

The PBM group is a French group specializing in the prefabrication of concrete elements for construction. European leader in precast concrete stairs, its mission is to sustainably satisfy the growing demand for precast concrete products and solutions through innovation.

To carry out this mission, the PBM group employs more than 600 people spread over 10 production sites in Europe.

#### Some numbers...

- > 1978 : birth of groupe PBM
- > 8 production sites in France, 1 site in Switzerland
- > over 600 collaborators
- > 3 integrated design offices
- > 125 millions euros of sales figures