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## Fentress Global Challenge 2012: Workplace of the Future



Winning student will receive \$10,000 prize value including paid internship at Fentress Architects

**March 31, 2012**— Employee productivity, environmental quality, information technology and energy costs were of little concern when many of today's buildings were designed. Today they are of vital importance, and understanding the fundamentals behind these demands will help designers create workplaces that increase productivity and promote innovation.

Fentress Global Challenge is an annual international idea competition created to engage students worldwide in the exploration of future design possibilities in public architecture. For the second annual competition, the studio invites architecture and interior design students to share innovative ideas about the future of workplace architecture, considering:

- What are the fundamental purposes of a workplace?
- How will the workplace of the future function?
- What is the future of workplace design?

Evaluated by their Creativity, Sustainability, Functionality, and Employee Experience, the winning student will be awarded a prize valued at \$10,000, including \$3,000 cash and a paid internship at Fentress Architects. Second and third place winners will receive cash prizes of \$1,000 and \$500 respectively. Winning designs will be displayed at the Architecture and Design Museum in Los Angeles, California.

## FENTRESS GLOBAL CHALLENGE 2012 SCHEDULE

Competition Announcement Monday, April 2, 2012
Registration Deadline Monday, August 6, 2012
Design Submission Deadline Monday, September 3, 2012

Short-listed Notification Wednesday, September 26, 2012 Winners Announced Wednesday, October 24, 2012

Internship at Fentress Architects Summer 2013

Please visit http://www.fentressarchitects.com/edge/global-challenge/ for more information.

<u>Fentress Architects</u> is a global design firm that passionately pursues the creation of sustainable and iconic architecture. Together with their clients, Fentress creates inspired design to improve the human environment. Founded by Curtis Fentress in 1980, the firm has designed US\$26 billion of architectural projects worldwide, visited by over 300 million people each year. Fentress is a dynamic learning organization, driven to grow its ability to design, innovate and exceed

client expectations. The firm has been honored with more than 385 distinctions for design excellence and innovation, and in 2010, Curtis Fentress was recognized by the American Institute of Architects with the most prestigious award for public architecture, the Thomas Jefferson Award. Fentress has studios in Denver, Colorado; Los Angeles, California; San Jose, California; Washington, D.C.; and London, U.K. www.fentressarchitects.com

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