## Passive House Institute

## **Press Release**

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## New architecture book presents "Passive House Award" winners

## Documentation of the competition also available as a travelling exhibition



*Darmstadt, Germany.* A new book showcasing the winners and finalists of the Passive House Award shows that energy efficient construction is not only profitable, it is also an enrichment for architecture. The book is available in a bound version as well as in digital form as an <u>online flipbook</u>. In addition, all of the award-winning buildings in the international competition in 2014 are presented in a <u>poster exhibition</u>.

The Passive House Award 2014 book presents a total of 21 highly fascinating architectural projects. From over a hundred submissions, an international jury selected the award recipients in six categories. Six buildings and one region were finally awarded: a multistorey building in Berlin, a retrofit project in New York, a seminar building in South Korea, an art museum in Ravensburg (Germany), a building ensemble in Finland, a terraced house Philadelphia and the Passive House district "Bahnstadt" in Heidelberg (Germany).

The winners and finalists of the Passive House Award are shown with many photographs and illustrations. Technical details which are relevant for the energy balance are also explained in detail. The book is supplemented with valuable basic information relating to energy efficient construction.

The Passive House Award was organised by the <u>Passive House Institute</u> within the framework of the EU-funded <u>PassREg</u> project. Certification proving compliance with the criteria for the Passive House Standard (EnerPHit Standard in the case of retrofits) was a prerequisite for participation. The jury was thus able to concentrate solely on the architectural quality of the projects. The German Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy Sigmar Gabriel was the patron of the architecture competition.



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