

## Press Release

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### International High-Rise Award 2026/27: 30 High-Rise Projects Nominated Globally

The buildings nominated for the International High-Rise Award 2026/27 have now been announced: they have been selected from more than 1,000 new high-rises worldwide dating from the past two years. In autumn, the five finalists will be announced. Then, on November 3, 2026, the winner of the International High-Rise Award (IHA) will be presented in the Paulskirche (St. Paul's Church) in Frankfurt/Main.

The award has been organized jointly by the City of Frankfurt/Main, Deutsches Architekturmuseum (DAM) and DekaBank since 22 years. It was initiated in response to the global boom in the key discipline of high-rise buildings that has been observable since the start of the new millennium.

The DAM's research in this year confirmed the ongoing trend seen in favor of mixed-use high-rises, a form of tall building that since 2014 has repeatedly been in evidence among the IHRA finalists. What were in the past special features such as buildings completely clad in greenery or the construction of clusters of towers have long since become part of the new normal. As a result of the lack of suitable construction sites and the growing eco-awareness, the focus in high-rise construction is increasingly on the use of existing buildings.

While the majority of tall buildings continue to be erected in China, followed by the USA and Australia, at present South America, including Argentina and Brasil as well as Singapore have emerged as exciting hubs of high-rise architecture.

In the final instance, 30 projects from 12 different countries were nominated for the long list of the International High-Rise Award 2026/27, represented on five continents.

Geographical distribution of the nominees:

14x Asia:

9x China

1x Malaysia

2x Singapore

1x South Korea

1x United Arab Emirates

5x Australia

3x Europe:

1x Belgium

1x Germany

1x Austria

5x North America:

5x USA

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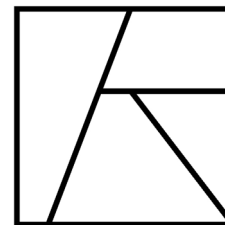
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3x South America:

1x Argentina

2x Brazil

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## **The Award**

The International High-Rise Award is presented for a high-rise that combines sustainability, external design, and internal use of space and takes full consideration of social and urban planning-related aspects in order to create an exemplary design. Further criteria are innovative engineering and cost-effectiveness. The International High-Rise Award is considered one of the world's most important architecture awards for high-rises. It is aimed at architects and developers whose buildings are at least 100 meters in height and were completed over the past two years.

## **The nominated projects at a glance:**

### **Huergo 475 Tower, Buenos Aires, Argentina**

Architecture: Adamo-Faiden, Buenos Aires, Argentina

### **Shenzhen Transsion Holdings Headquarters, Shenzhen, China**

Architecture: Aedas, Hong Kong, China

### **Tencent Tower, Guangzhou, China**

Architecture: Ateliers Jean Nouvel, Paris, France

### **Indi Sydney, Sydney, Australia**

Architecture: Bates Smart, Brisbane, Australia

### **The Brook, Brooklyn NY, USA**

Architecture: Beyer Blinder Belle Architects & Planners, New York, USA

### **The Axiom, Shanghai, China**

Architecture: Büro Ole Scheeren, Berlin, Germany

### **130 Little Collins Street, Melbourne, Australia**

Architecture: COX Architecture, Melbourne, Australia

### **Europa-Allee-Tower, Frankfurt/Main, Germany**

Architecture: cma cyrus moser architekten, Frankfurt/Main, Germany

### **Vienna Twentytwo, Vienna, Austria**

Architecture: DMAA Delugan Meissl Associated Architects, Vienna, Austria

### **Merdeka 118, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

Architecture: FK Architects, Southbank, Australia

### **88 Walker, Sydney, Australia**

Architecture: Fitzpatrick + Partners, Sydney, Australia

### **270 Park Avenue, New York NY, USA**

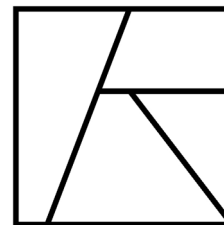
Architecture: Foster + Partners, London, Great Britain

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**CITIC International Building, Shenzhen, China**

Architecture: gmp · von Gerkan, Marg und Partner Architects, Berlin, Germany

**ZIN, Brussels, Belgium**

Architecture: Jaspers-Eyers Architects, Brussels, Belgium; 51N4E, Belgium, Belgium & I'AUC, Paris, France

**660 Fifth Avenue, New York NY, USA**

Architecture: KPF, New York NY, USA

**One Madison Avenue, New York NY, USA**

Architecture: KPF, New York NY, USA

**Irwell Hill Residences, Singapore**

Architecture: MVRDV, Rotterdam, Netherlands & ADDP architects, Singapore

**vivo Smartphone Headquarters, Shenzhen, China**

Architecture: NBBJ, Los Angeles CA, USA

**HD Hyundai Global R&D Center, Sungnam, South Korea**

Architecture: NIKKEN SEKKEI, Tokyo, Japan & Heerim Architects & Planners, Seoul, South Korea

**JOMOO Headquarters, Xiamen, China**

Architecture: OMA Office for Metropolitan Architecture, Hong Kong, China

**One Sydney Harbour, Sydney, Australia**

Architecture: Renzo Piano Building Workshop, Genoa, Italy; Lend Lease Design, Sydney, Australia & PTW Architects, Sydney, Australia

**Hetao Innovation Center, Shenzhen, China**

Architecture: schneider + schumacher, Frankfurt/Main, Germany

**One Pearl Bank, Singapore**

Architecture: Serie Architects, London, Great Britain & Multiply Architects, Singapore

**The Brooklyn Tower, Brooklyn NY, USA**

Architecture: SHoP Architects, New York NY, USA

**Greenland Hangzhou Century Center, Hangzhou, China**

Architecture: SOM Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Chicago IL, USA

**Sany IROOTECH Headquarters, Guangzhou, China**

Architecture: SOM Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Chicago IL, USA

**AGE 360, Curitiba, Brazil**

Architecture: Triptyque, São Paulo, Brazil/Paris, France & Architects Office, São Paulo, Brazil

**EZ Parque da Cidade, São Paulo, Brazil**

Architecture: UNStudio, Amsterdam, Netherlands

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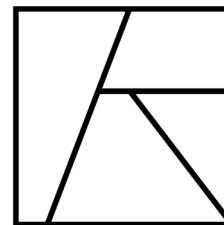
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**Wasl Tower, Dubai, VAE**

Architecture: UNStudio, Amsterdam, Netherlands

**443 Queen St, Brisbane, Australia**

Architecture: WOHA, Singapore & Architectus, Brisbane, Australia

UNStudio's "Frankfurt Four" project was not nominated due to a potential conflict of interest: DekaBank, a co-initiator of the IHA, is headquartered in the building.

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