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NORMAN FOSTER FOUNDATION WORKSHOP 1-2/03/2018 – ARCHIVES

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The Norman Foster Foundation Archives Workshop will take place on 1-2 March 2018, with the support of Libnova.

'It is significant that the Archive is at the heart of the Norman Foster Foundation whose objectives include fostering ideas and cross-disciplinary research to help new generations anticipate the future', stated workshop mentor Margarita Suárez. 'The documentation contained in architectural, engineering and landscape archives is a primary source for the scientific study of these disciplines and an important part of their collective heritage. But it also establishes an important legacy, providing a memory of the city, a testimony of the professionals whose work it documents—and the procedures used—and as a learning point and inspiration for students of these disciplines'.

How should we preserve the information? This workshop aims to promote the preservation of this type of fonds, the proper management of its documentation and the adequate dissemination of its content, in order to make archival information truly accessible.

The Academic Body includes: Andreu Carrascal Simon, Archivist, Historical Archive of the Col·legi d’Arquitectes de Catalunya (COAC), Spain; Estrella de Diego, Academician, Real Academia de Bellas Artes de San Fernando, Madrid, Spain; Gema Hernández Carralón, Head of the Bibliographic Information Service of the Biblioteca Nacional de España (BNE), Madrid, Spain; María del Carmen Martín Marichal, Director of the University’s library at the Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (ULPGC), Gran Canaria, Spain; Blanca Ruilope Urioste, Library Director at the Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura (ETSAM) of the Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (UPM), Spain and Alberto Sanz Hernando, Historical Service Coordinator, Colegio Oficial de Arquitectos de Madrid (COAM), Spain.

As a way to disseminate knowledge and ideas, a selection of lectures will be recorded and documented for publication in series of annual books published by the Norman Foster Foundation. During the course of the workshops, participants will have the opportunity to engage with the Norman Foster Foundation’s archive and research projects.

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The Norman Foster Foundation promotes interdisciplinary thinking and research to help new generations of architects, designers and urbanists to anticipate the future. We believe in the importance of connecting architecture, design, technology and the arts to better serve society and in the value of a holistic education that encourages experimentation through research and projects.

The Norman Foster Foundation holds the Norman Foster Archive and Library, which provide a window into the larger narrative and history of our built environment through the work of Norman Foster.

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