

# Umberto Napolitano

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*Architect DPLG*

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Umberto Napolitano (Naples, 1975) studied architecture at the *Università Federico II* in Naples and then at the *Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Paris-La Villette*. Founder of LAN (Local Architecture Network) with Benoit Jallon in 2002, he also conducts a theoretical work through research projects, exhibitions and conferences all around the world.

Umberto was professor at the *Columbia University GSAPP* of New York (USA), at the *AA (Architecture Association) School of Architecture* in London (UK) and currently at the TU Vienna. He is a member of the French Academy of Architecture since 2016 and was appointed Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres in 2018.

## MAIN WORKS

### COMPLETED PROJECTS

Le Maillon Theatre, City of Strasbourg, Strasbourg (67)  
 Minimum Security Prison, Ministère de la Justice, Nanterre (92)  
 Urban project, Kaufman & Broad, Île de Nantes (44)  
 124 housing units, Kaufman & Broad / Aiguillon, Rennes (35)  
 72 housing units, Vinci Immobilier, Colombes (92)  
 1078 student housing units, Sodearif, Saclay, Gif-sur-Yvette (91)  
 City-Hall, City of Saint-Jacques-de-la-Lande (35)  
 Urban renovation, DomoFrance, Génicart district, Lormont (33)  
 117 housing units, Nacarat Groupe GHI, Mouvaux (59)  
 79 housing units, Ataraxia, Bègles (33)  
 40 housing units, ICF Novedis, ZAC Saussure, Paris 17<sup>e</sup> (75)  
 Offices, Euralille, Sogeprom-Projetim, ZAC Euralille, Lille (59)  
 30 housing units, Paris Habitat - OPH, Paris 20<sup>e</sup> (75)  
 Neue Hamburger Terrassen, IBA, Hambourg, Germany  
 Gymnasium, City of Chelles, Chelles (77)  
 58 housing units, Nacarat Immobilier, Boulogne-Billancourt (92)  
 EDF's Archives Centre, EDF, Bure (55)  
 Student Residence, RIVP, Paris 18<sup>e</sup> (75)  
 Greenhouses of the Jardin des Plantes, MNHN, Paris 5<sup>e</sup> (75)  
 Headquarter, Marchesini, Saint-Mesmes (77)

### IN PROGRESS

Urban Project of Amédée Saint-Germain, Bordeaux (33)  
 Construction of offices buildings, ICADE, Aubervilliers (93)  
 Wooden Tower, 105 housing units, Semapa, Paris 13<sup>e</sup> (75)  
 Offices, Icade, Aubervilliers (93)  
 Restoration and extension of the Grand-Palais, RMN-GP, Paris 8<sup>e</sup> (75)  
 EDC Paris Business school, Groupe Hermitage, Nanterre (92)  
 486 Mina El Hosn, HAR études, Beyrouth, Liban  
 Fire and Rescue Centre, Département d'Ille-et-Vilaine, Rennes (35)  
 124 housing units, Kaufman & Broad / Aiguillon, Rennes (35)  
 Offices Parc Ampère, La Société de la Tour Eiffel, Massy (91)  
 142 housing units, Icade et Sodiac, Saint Denis de la Réunion (97)  
 75 housing units, Vinci Immobilier (92)  
 Care Centre and 10 reinsertion housing units, SIEMP, Paris (75)  
 Childcare Centre, Ville de Paris, Paris (75)  
 Urban project, Hotel, Offices, Housing units, Strasbourg (67)

## EDUCATION

### 2001

Ecole Nationale Supérieure  
 d'Architecture de Paris -La Villette  
 Architect DPLG

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

### Since 2002

LAN Architecture, Paris

## TEACHING EXPERIENCES

### 2021

TU Vienna  
 Austria

### 2018 - 2019

AA School of Architecture de Londres,  
 United Kingdom – since 2018

### 2016 - 2018

Columbia GSAPP, New-York, United  
 States of America – since 2016

### 2015

Invited professor at the IUAV  
 University of Venice, Italy

### 2010 - 2012

Professor at the école Spéciale  
 d'Architecture, Paris, France

## AWARDS

### 2020

#### Équerre D'argent

Catégorie Culture  
Theatre du Maillon

### 2018

#### Prix du livre d'architecture - Académie d'Architecture

Exhibition catalog

### 2016

#### AR Awards

Finalists  
Bègles - Housing units

#### AZ Awards

Bègles - Housing units

#### Building Of The Year Archdaily Awards

Paris XVII - Housing units

### 2015

#### Copper in architecture Awards

Honourable mention  
Tour Euravenir

#### Commercial Building Of The Year

Leaf Awards  
Lille - Tour Euravenir

#### Trophées de la Construction Batiactu

Paris XVII - Housing  
Urban renovation

#### Prix Le Soufaché Académie D'architecture

Lille - Tour Euravenir

#### Holzbaupreis Bauen Mit Holz In Schleswig-Holstein Und Hamburg

Hambourg - Housing

#### European Union Prize for Contemporary Architecture - Mies Van Der Rohe Award

Nominated  
Lille - Tour Euravenir

#### Équerre D'argent

Nominated  
Paris XVII - Logements

### 2014

#### Rethinking the Future Awards - Sustainability

3rd Prize "built housing building"  
Paris XVII - Housing

#### Équerre D'argent

Nominated  
Lille - Tour Euravenir

#### Carl-Friedrich Fischer Preis

Humanes Wohnen  
1st Prize  
Neue Hamburger Terrassen

#### International Architecture Award

1st Prize du Chicago Athenaeum  
Hambourg - Housing

#### Rethinking the Future Awards

2nd Prize Concept « Residential  
Design »  
Bègles - Housing

#### Prix Européen D'architecture Philippe Rotthier

Nominated for the Prize of  
Architecture and landscape 2014  
Bure - EDF Archives Center

#### Prix SMABTP-Pyramides d'Argent

Lille - Tour Euravenir

### 2013

#### Bauwerk des Jahres AIV Hamburg

Nominated  
Hambourg - Housing

#### Bigmat France

1st Prize  
Paris XVIII - Student residence

#### Wan Residential Award

Neue Hamburger Terrassen

#### Civic Trust Awards

Recommandation  
Paris XVIII - Student residence

### 2012

#### Europäische Architektur Preis

Distinction for quality  
of architectural design  
and energy performance  
Bure - EDF archives center

#### Palmarès Archicontemporaine

Winner Of The Category « Equipment  
and Activities/Workplaces &  
Activities »  
Bure - EDF Archives Center

#### Les Grands Paris du Logement

Winner of the "Urbanism  
and Architecture" category  
Bègles - Housing

#### International Prize for Sustainable Architecture Fassa Bortolo

Silver Medal - Projects Built Bure -  
EDF Archives Center

#### Interarch

Special American Embassy Award  
Paris XVIII - Student residence

### 2011

#### Prix AMO

Corporate Foundation Award  
Excellence SMA  
Paris XVIII - Student residence

#### Équerre D'argent

Nominated  
Paris XVIII - Student residence

#### Leaf awards

Best Sustainable Development  
In Keeping With Its Environment  
Bure - EDF Archives Center

#### SAIE Selection Awards

1st Prix - Young Architects,  
Section Bricks  
Paris XVIII - Student residence

### 2010

#### Europe 40 Under 40 Europe's Emerging Young Architects

#### SAIE Selection Awards

2nd Prix  
Bure - EDF Archives Center

#### MIPIM AR Future

Project Awards - Residential buildings  
category  
1st Prize  
Beyrouth - Mina El Hosn

### 2009

#### SAIE Selection Awards

2nd Prize  
Paris XX - Housing

#### International Architecture Awards

Bure - EDF Archives Center

#### Interarch

Special Prize of Sofia's Architects  
society  
1st Prize - Most Original Publication in  
the field of monographs approaching  
the theme of young architects.  
You can be young and an architect

### 2008-2003

#### Archi-Bau Awards 2008

1st Prize - Green Building

#### World Architecture Community Awards

Honourable Mention

#### 10 Best Young Italian Architects - N.I.B.

1st Prize

#### Architects Under 36 - Experiencias 36

Primés

#### Rizoma Architectural Biennale Of New Generation

Awarded

#### Première Œuvre Cogedim

2nd Prize

#### Nouveaux albums des jeunes architectes Ministère de la Culture et de la Communication, France

Awarded

#### Europan 7 - Riga, Latvia

Honourable Mention

## PUBLICATIONS

**Napoli SuperModern**  
English edition / French edition  
LAN Architecture  
*Pavillon de l'Arsenal editions, Paris*  
& *Park Books editions, Zürich, 2017*

**AV Monografias**  
**LAN 2007-2018**  
Spanish edition / English edition  
*Arquitectura Viva, Madrid, 2018*

**Paris Haussmann**  
English edition / French edition  
LAN Architecture  
*Pavillon de l'Arsenal editions, Paris*  
& *Park Books editions, Zürich, 2017*

**Lettre à Alejandro Aravena**  
Imagining a space of possibilities  
Catalog, Biennale of architecture of Venezia, 2016

**Traces**  
English edition / French edition  
LAN Architecture,  
*Actar, Barcelone, 2013*

**Log 29 - In pursuit of architecture**  
*Fall 2013*

**27. A Journey through contemporary architecture in Europe**  
Archibooks, Paris, 2012  
(in progress)

**HERE ARE n°1**  
**Centre d'Archives EDF**  
English and french editions  
*AAM/Ante Prima, Bruxelles/Paris, December 2011*

**Welcome to Saint-Mesmes**  
English, french, italian editions  
LAN Architecture,  
*AAM/Ante Prima, Bruxelles/Paris, Silvana Editoriale, Milan, 2009*

**You can be young and an architect**  
English and french editions  
LAN Architecture + Guests,  
textes de Hugues Jallon.  
*AAM/Ante Prima, Bruxelles/Paris, 2008*

## LECTURES

**2019**

**Vienna International Building Exhibition**  
25th of September,  
Vienna, Austria

**Archi Summit**  
19th of July, Lisbon,  
Portugal

**Days of Architecture and Design 2019**  
28th of May, Bratislava,  
Slovakia

**Camp**  
« Urban Talks »  
9th of May, Prague,  
Czech Republic

**Icon Talks**  
12th of April, Milan,  
Italy

**ENSA Paris La Villette**  
« Le privé qui construit pour le public, cas de l'île de Nantes et d'Euratlantique Bordeaux » 31th of January,  
Paris, France

**Konstakademien Stockholm**  
« Forms in Movement »  
17th of January,  
Stockholm, Sweden

**2018**

**Cité de l'Architecture & du Patrimoine**  
« Form Follows Form Follows Form »  
3rd of December, Paris,  
France

**ETSAM**  
21st of November, Madrid,  
Spain

**ENSA Paris-Belleville**  
27th of September, Paris,  
France

**Compact urban housing**  
14th of June, Düsseldorf,  
Germany

**TEDxETSPP**  
17th of May, Paris, France

**Aut. Arkitektur une Tirol**  
15th of March, Innsbruck,  
Austria

**Light On - iGuzzini**  
9th of March, Recanati,  
Italy

**Light On - MAXXI**  
8th of March, Rome, Italy

**Les Ateliers Nocturnes**  
27th of February, Brussels,  
Belgium

**RIBA EUROPA: Connecting Ideas Across Borders**  
23rd of January, London,  
UK

**2017**

**AIT Dialog**  
11th of January, Frankfurt,  
Germany

**TURN ON Festival**  
11th of March, Vienna,  
Austria

**Milano Arch Week**  
14th of June, Milan, Italy

**Nordic Architecture Fair**  
7th of October, Göteborg,  
Sweden

**Baron Haussmann, Master of Flexibility**  
16th of November, Milan,  
Italy

**Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design**  
14th of July, Jerusalem,  
Israel

**Milano Arch Week**  
14th of June, Triennial of Milan,  
Italy

**TURN ON Festival**  
11st of March, Vienna,  
Austria

**Paris Haussmann, Modèle de Ville**  
8th of March, Pavillon de l'Arsenal, Paris, France

**AIT Dialog**  
11st of January, Frankfurt,  
Germany

**2016**

**16e Forum des projets urbains**  
15th of November, Palais des Congrès, Paris, France

**Seconde main, Seconde peau**  
9th of November, CAUE de l'Oise, Beauvais, France

**Inhabiting artifacts**  
31st of October, University of Syracuse, London, United Kingdom

**Installation Ceremony at the Academy of Architecture**  
6th of October, Paris, France

**Cadre de Ville**  
4th of October, CCIP-IF, Paris, France

**What is light in architecture?**  
9th of June, ENSAPB, Paris, France

**Estate. Reloading housing**  
10th of May, Polytechnical center of Turin, Italy

**Fondation Vasarely**  
3rd of May, Aix-en-Provence, France

**Urbanism Center of Bologna**  
6th of april, Bologna, Italy

**Mextrópolis**  
3 - 10 March, Mexico, Mexique

**The Arena Design**  
8th of March, Poznań, Poland

**2015**

**OAPPC di Napoli**  
14th of December, Naples, Italy

**ENSA Nantes - en chantier**  
3rd of November, Nantes, France

**Architectural Conference**  
17th of October, Trondheim, Norway

**Leaf Awards**  
15th of October, London, England

**Columbia GSAPP**  
5th of October, New York, United States of America

**EUROPAN 13**  
**Norvège**  
**Lecture of architecture**  
17th of September, Norway

**Architects meet in Selinunte**  
7th of June, Selinunte, Italy

**Tedxroma salon**  
29th of April, Rome, Italy

**Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design**  
26th of March, Jerusalem, Israel

**KU Leuven**  
17th of March, Bruxelles, Belgium.

**ENSA Paris-Malaquais**  
05th of March, Paris, France

**NTNU**  
27th of February, Trondheim, Norway

**Rådhusalen Trondheim folkebiblioteket**  
26th of February, Trondheim, Norway

**AHO**  
25th of February, AHO, Oslo, Norway

**2014**

**Journées de l'architecture**  
16th of October, Maillon theater, Strasbourg, France

**Month of design Timber in the city**  
10th of October, Ljubljana, Slovenia

**ce·za·ar 2014**  
09th of October, Bratislava, Slovakia

### **BIA - Urban Forum**

25th September, Bilbao, Spain

### **Workshop UAV**

30th of June - 19th of July, Luav, Venice, Italy

### **Doga**

24th of April, French Institut of Norway DogA, Oslo, Norway

### **Bergen School of Architecture**

23th of April, Workshop and lecture Bergen, Norway

### **(RE)Contextualizando**

02-05 April, National Congress of Panama's Architects, Panama

### **Formation HMONP**

31st of March, École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Toulouse, France

## **2013**

### **Carte blanche, CSTB**

12nd of Décembre, Paris, France

### **Paesaggi periferici**

06th of December, Ferrare, Italy

### **“Silencio talks: Architecture whispers #6”**

29th of November, Paris, France

### **Rdv de l'architecture**

21st of November, Toulouse, France

### **Batimat 13**

05th of November, Paris, France

### **Big architecture 13**

08th of October, Ljubljana, Slovenia

### **In pursuit for architecture**

21st of September, MoMA, New York

### **Et Après?**

14th of March, École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Montpellier, France

## **2012**

### **French Talks 2012: Urban Dialogues**

1st of December, MARCH Architectural School, Garage Center for Contemporary Culture, Moscow, Russia

### **The Richard Role lecture on the city**

8th of November, Kent State University, Florence, Italy

### **Building Information Center**

18th of October, Istanbul, Turkey

### **MADA Moscow Architecture and Design Award**

10th of April, Moscow, Russia

### **AUt. Architektur und Tirol**

15th of March, Innsbruck, Austria

### **Maison de l'architecture**

«The architects-companies dialogue for innovative concretes»  
14th of March, Paris, France

### **5<sup>th</sup> International Congress on white Architecture**

Catedra Blanca - CIAB 5  
3rd of March, Valencia, Spain

### **Friburg Architecture Forum**

7th of February, Fribourg, Switzerland

### **Berlage Institute**

«The Hidden Meaning of Things: LAN's recent works»  
24th of January, Rotterdam, Netherlands

### **Sawsa lecture series**

Welsh School of Architecture  
17th of January, Cardiff, United Kingdom

## **2011**

### **Architectural Association of Ireland**

Gallery of the National College of Art and Design  
12th of December, Dublin, Ireland

### **Architektur forum**

22th of November, Fachhochschule Erfurt, Erfurt, Germany

### **Workshop**

25-29 October, Università degli Studi Roma Tre, Rome, Italy

### **ARCHIFEST 2011**

«Common Spaces»  
19-20 October, Singapore

### **Get Set Festival**

4 October, Oporto, Portugal

### **CAUE 92**

23th of June, Vanves, France

### **FEST'ARCH**

4-5 June, Perugia, Italy

### **Dense Cities Symposium**

28th of May, University of Building Technology, Graz, Austria

### **ARCH MOSCOW NEXT 16<sup>th</sup> International Exhibition of Architecture**

26th of May, Moscow, Russia

### **DAAD FESTIVAL Days Of Architecture and Design 2011**

26th of May, Bratislava, Slovakia

### **«1 Architecte 1 bâtiment»**

EDF Archives Centre, Bure

24th of May, Pavillon de l'Arsenal, Paris, France

### **Recent works**

17th of May, Faculty of Building Technology, Eindhoven, Netherlands

## **2010**

### **Leçon inaugurale**

École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Grenoble, France

### **New European Architecture**

"Europe 40 under 40"  
Madrid, Spain

### **Anuala de arhitectura**

Timisoara, Romania

## **2009**

### **Symposium Passive House 2009**

Tour & Taxis, Bruxelles, Belgium

### **Seminario internazionale di architettura e cultura urbana, ecologia dell'ambiente costruito**

Camerino, Italy

### **You can be young and an architect**

École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Versailles, France

### **You can be young and an architect**

Università di Ferrara, Italy

### **Logements BBC**

École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture Paris-Val de Seine, France

## **2008**

### **Habitat passif**

CAUE 92, Nanterre, France

### **You can be young and an architect**

Universitat Politècnica de Valencia, Spain

### **You can be young and an architect**

École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Marseille, France

## **2005**

### **Présentation de LAN ARCHITECTURE**

École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Nancy, France

### **Selected projects**

Académie d'Architecture, Paris, France