

Beauty in Design

ARCHINA is a full-service architecture and design firm specialising in hospitality. We caught up with Founder Ivo Nahálka to learn more, hot on the heels of their 2016 Global Excellence Awards: Best Hotel Architect win.

Established in 1992, ARCHINA was developed to create a design company, which can offer to clients a complete range of the services starting from the study till the execution design, supervision on site for all type of the buildings and across all sectors, including design, structural, construction, mechanical and electrical installation.

As the founder of the company, Ing.Arch. Ivo Nahálka has started his professional career in 1985 on the first big project of the original Hotel Forum Prague, one of the dominant of new part of the Prague City, having close to 1000 rooms, there are more than 30 Hotel completed projects during 25 years in the company portfolio.

This has been also one of the reason, beside of his artistic profession and creativity in the architecture,

that the company portfolio has been extended within the interior design market, and the firm have since worked on many international hotel projects in Czech and Slovak Republics, Hungary, Ukraine, Croatia and Saudi Arabia. Alongside hotels, the firm have also worked on projects for offices and commercial centres, residential buildings and private houses. In addition to architecture work, the company also offer their own graphic designs, 3D renderings, procurement and site management for both construction and interior works.

It is Ivo's focus on creating visually glorious projects which has helped the firm to achieve its current success, as he explains.

"For me a most important aspect of architecture is the beauty. Real beauty lasts forever and forms an expression of love for a place, creating something which everyone can adore for many years to come. I believe, that to create such architecture will lead to a successful business, so my focus is always on beauty over business."

Drawing on over 25 years' experience, Ivo has developed a formidable reputation for excellence, and he is now keen to give back to the industry and raise a new generation of architects with their own, individual ideas.

"Today, we already have a generations of the designers, who learned during being in our company the way we create the architecture. Each member plays always important role to follow the way we do the designs of each project to be unique, outstanding and memorable."

In his concluding comments, Ivo emphasises the firm's ongoing focus on creating visually stunning projects which will stand the test of time.

"Looking back over the 25 years of the history of our company, I am sure that our approach to creating the architecture and design which is the most beautiful is the right one, as after many years such buildings or interiors will remain and will form a legacy of excellence. As such we will continue to use this approach to ensure that we go down in history as the creators of truly stunning architecture.

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