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## Minister of Education, Youth and Sports

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Distinguished Rector,

I am delighted to inform you and your university about the new round of the worldwide architectonic competition organised under the global INSPIRELI project.

The INSPIRELI Awards contest, currently at its 7<sup>th</sup> year, is the world's largest international talent competition for students. Its objective is to help facilitate the career launch of talented architects and designers from all over the world, regardless of their economic, ethnic or social background.

INSPIRELI Awards contest brings together students of architecture and established professionals from 150 countries and all continents. Its jury, composed of over 780 architects from more than 120 countries, including a Swiss architect Mario Botta, the Holy See of Vatican representative, constitutes the largest jury in the history of architecture.

The competition is partnered with the Africa Union of Architects and IAESTE. INSPIRELI Awards finalists obtain a Certificate of Recognition from the American Institute of Architects (International Chapter). This prestigious institute invites successful students to join the organisation after having graduated.

This year, the Department of Architecture of the Czech Technical University in Prague, as the competition's organizer, together with the Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava and Budapest University of Technology and Economics, invite the students of your university to join an Innovative educational project for students.

INSPIRELI Awards contest will be launched in September 2022. Students will be given an opportunity to design an architecture and an interior of a holiday resort in Croatia. This resort in Croatian Starigrad / Paklenica, with an area of approx. 150,000 m² and a total investment value of approx. EUR 100 million, will be funded by the Czech investor. About 120 residential and 9–12 multifunctional buildings will be designed.

This unique project will allow students to participate in shaping of the final design and work with product and technology suppliers during the entire realization of the project. Students will also gain practical experience to complement the knowledge gained through their university studies.

Distinguished Rector, it would be a great honour, if your university actively participated in the contest and eventually helped promote it among students in your country.

We hope that your university will be involved in the INSPIRELI Croatia Competition as well, since this is the first educational project at the international level of this magnitude.

Provided you are interested, please, contact the INSPIRELI contest President, Dr. Karel Smejkal (<a href="mailto:smejkal@inspireli.com">smejkal@inspireli.com</a>). Should there be a representative or a student of your university willing to help with a project coordination, the organizers of the INSPIRELI contest would appreciate to be provided with their contact details which can be sent to the above mentioned e-mail as well.

Further information can also be found on the following website: <a href="www.lnspireliAwards.com">www.lnspireliAwards.com</a>. Yours faithfully,

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