

**biennale svizzera
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The biennale svizzera del territorio 2024, organised by the Istituto Internazionale di Architettura in Lugano, is launching a call for pecha kucha on the theme “back to the future”. The call is open to everyone, students and professionals of all ages and from all over the world.

back to the future

The future has been cancelled. Imagination, exhausted by successive crises, constant innovation, and immediate returns on investment, comes up against a closed horizon. Drunk with nostalgia, it has dismissed any long-term vision as utopian, a mere fantasy – until we face dystopia. Yet the prior task of architecture has always been concerned with the future: we still live structures built decades, even centuries ago. Where did we get lost? The 5th edition of the biennale svizzera del territorio is a call on imagination. A call to reclaim the future and project together alternatives to the slow unfolding of the present.

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Contributions can be research, photographs, collages, texts, videos, realised or theoretical projects, as long as they are related to the theme of the call. The selected contributions will be presented during the biennial in a session, which will host the contribution of ten participants. Participants will only be allowed to present one pecha kucha per session. As part of the pecha kucha format (www.pechakucha.org), presentations should have a maximum duration of 6 minutes and 40 seconds. Each presentation should be accompanied by 20 slides projected for 20 seconds each.

submissions within June 30 th 2024	Please send the fulfilled registration form plus a proposal of max. 300 words, together with a one-page CV, both written in English.
selection process	July 2024
award	Announcement of call winners will be sent within July 2024. The selected pecha kucha will be presented in one session integrated into the official programme of the biennale svizzera del territorio 2024. Speakers will have free accommodation and access to all two days of the biennale.
comitato di selezione in ordine alfabetico	<hr/> <p>André Bideau Architecture theorist, historian and critic, co-founder of Zentrum Architektur Zürich and professor at Arc-Usi Mendrisio.</p> <hr/> <p>Sandro Cattacin Professor in sociology at the University of Geneva · President of the Think Tank Penser la Suisse.</p> <hr/> <p>Asli Çiçek Architect and guest professor at University of Ghent.</p> <hr/> <p>Silke Langenberg Heritage scientist and architect, full professor of construction heritage and preservation in the Department of Architecture at ETH Zurich.</p> <hr/> <p>Matteo Vegetti Philosopher, professor in “Theories of Space and Living” at Supsi and lecturer at Arc-Usi Mendrisio; he is a member of the Master in Geopolitics at La Sapienza University in Rome.</p> <hr/> <p>Georg Vrachliotis Architect and a full professor of Architectural Theory and Digital Culture; he leads the Design, Data, and Society Group within the Department of Architecture at Delft University of Technology (TU Delft).</p> <hr/> <p>Heike Biechteler Architect and senior research assistant at the Institute of Architecture at HSLU. Co-curator of the biennale svizzera del territorio 2024.</p>