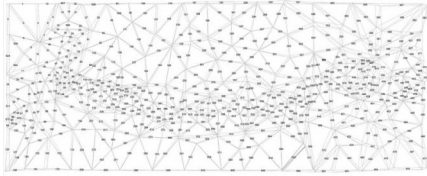


## WEST 8 PARTICIPATES IN THE 11TH INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE EXHIBITION, VENICE ITALY

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As part of the 11<sup>th</sup> International Architecture Exhibition “Out There: Architecture Beyond Building”, West 8 will participate in “Uneternal City. Thirty years after Roma interrotta”. This is a specific section in the Artiglierie dell’Arsenale dedicated to the city of Rome.

Together with eleven other Italian and international design studios West 8 was asked to re-imagine the City of Rome. Within this scenario, every design studio has chosen an area or theme to explore. The intended image is that of a Rome of the future, in which architects open new observation points on the landscape, changing reality with its own ideas and vision, with an often critical but sometimes enchanted eye.

The project of West 8, ‘Valley of Desire’, is an antidote to the suffocating experience of Rome, a cure for its failing heart, a remedy for its spirit. It’s a place of multiple delightful experiences along the river Aniene. Building on a rich Italian tradition, West 8 creates a modern equivalent of the Villa D’este, Giardini di Bomarzo and Villa Dante.

The 11th International Architecture Exhibition, directed by Aaron Betsky and organised by La Biennale di Venezia, will take place in Venice from Sunday, September 14th to Sunday, November 23rd 2008. The preview will be on September 11th, 12th and 13th.