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## **RIBA backs London's Olympic bid**

The Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) fully supports London's bid to host the 2012 Olympics.

Speaking today, RIBA President Paul Hyett said: "We welcome the Government's decision to go ahead with a London Olympic bid which, if successful, will offer a huge range of exciting development opportunities for east London. This is a wonderful opportunity for the architectural profession; and indeed the entire construction industry, to shape proposals that will be worthy of such a great challenge, and that would provide a valuable legacy and example in terms of sustainable development in the widest sense of the term."

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Notes to Editors

1. Paul Hyett is available for interview

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