

# RIBA Bookshop & Lounge at ecobuild 2018

| Open Call for an Architect



in association with Rockpanel & ROCKWOOL



**ecobuild**  
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ecobuild is the number one event for forward-thinkers in the built environment. The event in March will showcase the latest technology; the freshest thinking; and the most innovative materials to keep the industry at the forefront of the built environment. It will bring together exciting and inspiring brands, companies, speakers and experiences, providing thought provoking, valuable content and an unparalleled opportunity for sharing ideas, networking and relationship building.

The RIBA has agreed to take a 90m<sup>2</sup> space in the Building Performance area of the show, next to the main seminar space.

The RIBA will make use of the space to promote the RIBA brand, sell relevant architecture publications and promote the benefits of RIBA membership. We are looking to select a creative and ingenious architect/practice who can help us achieve our aims. In conjunction with Rockpanel & ROCKWOOL, the RIBA has launched an Open Call for an architect to design a highly visible RIBA Bookshop & Visitor Lounge at ecobuild 2018.

Detailed plans of the space, along with the full plans of the hall, and images will be made available to the winner.



The requirements are as follows:

- A vibrant and dynamic meeting and retail space.
- Prominently branded as “RIBA Bookshop & Lounge in association with Rockpanel and ROCKWOOL” whilst creating a destination space that is visually striking, attractive and highly visible from across the main venue.
- Branding of the RIBA, RIBA Bookshops and Rockpanel/ROCKWOOL, to be prominently featured, visible from a distance and in line with RIBA and Rockpanel/ROCKWOOL brand guidelines.
- The benefits of Rockpanel and ROCKWOOL materials to be fully realised in the design (i.e. Rockpanel rain-screen cladding in a range of colours and finishes and ROCKWOOL insulation, which provides superior acoustic performance).
- Seating for approximately 16 people.
- To be in place for three days from 06–08 March 2018.
- Engaging to a professional audience.
- Furniture for the lounge area will be provided by the manufacturer free of charge. Furniture, fixtures and fittings for the retail space should be incorporated into the design and build.
- Retail space for RIBA Bookshops, featuring the RIBA Bookshops logo/brand.  
This space needs to include:
  - a secure till/cash point, with seating for two retail staff, with electrical and data points
  - a lockable unit (for personal belongings, credit card machines, etc)
  - shelving or display units, or a combination of the two, to accommodate 150 titles, with an average of five books per title. All shelving/display units need to be of sufficient strength to support the weight of multiple books
  - storage space to accommodate spare stock, plastic bags, packing materials, etc
- Designed, fabricated, constructed and uninstalled for under £10,000 +VAT.
- Designed to be built in one day (max 10 hours) and dressed in one day (max 12 hours).  
Please note that the physical set-up of the RIBA Bookshop will take four hours.
- Comply with ecobuild / Excel contractors’ manual and appropriate risk assessments.
- A method of displaying the stand number and company name.

## Materials to be used

**Rockpanel** manufacture rain-screen cladding in a plethora of colours and design finishes. It offers design freedom and is ranked as A2 limited combustibility.

**ROCKWOOL** manufacture Mineral Wool Insulation, made from Basalt Rock. This insulation provides superior acoustic performance and is ranked A1 non-combustible.

Full details available on [rockwool.co.uk](http://rockwool.co.uk) and [rockpanel.co.uk](http://rockpanel.co.uk)

## Open Call

RIBA is launching an open call to all RIBA Chartered Members and RIBA Chartered Practices to find a practice that can help us transform this space at ecobuild 2018. This is primarily intended to be a publicity and marketing benefit for the selected practice, however, a fee of £7,500 +VAT is payable to the practice to assist in the design and oversight of the temporary installation.

A budget of up to £10,000 +VAT is available for the installation. Furniture will be supplied for the lounge space.

## Application

The open call and application process is intended to be simple, straightforward and quick to complete. We are asking for up to a 10-page single sided A4, image led-practice portfolio. This should demonstrate your experience in temporary installations and creating interesting business spaces. You may also wish to include a paragraph on why you are interested in being involved in the project and some thoughts on your vision on making temporary places and meeting spaces.

The budget for this project is limited and we are looking for an ingenious and creative architect/practice who can help us get maximum impact on a set budget.

## Eligibility

The project is open to all RIBA Chartered Practices and Chartered Members based in the UK.

## Judging Panel

The Judging Panel (which may be subject to change) is expected to comprise:

- Steven Cross, Director of Commercial Development, (RIBA Services)
- Steven Plimmer, Group Product Manager (RIBA Services)
- Warren Dudding, Marketing Director, ROCKWOOL
- Martin Hurn, Managing Director, ecobuild
- Charlotte Collyer, Operations Manager, ecobuild
- Teresa Borsuk, Senior Partner, Pollard Thomas Edwards (RIBA Architect Adviser)

Julia Davies, RIBA Competitions, will act as an observer to document the selection process.

## Approximate Timeline

Announcement of open call	13 November 2017
Deadline to register your interest	5pm, 27 November 2017
Deadline to submit your application	2pm, 30 November 2017
Judging	w/c 04 December 2017
Announcement of winning practice	w/c 04 December 2017
Meeting with project partners	w/c 11 December 2017
Submit all required paperwork and documentation	Friday 19 January 2018
Concepts developed, detailed plans and costing development (off site production if necessary)	December 2017 – March 2018
Build and Dressing	05 March 2018
ecobuild 2018	06–08 March 2018
Removal of products (Bookshop)	08 March 2018
Dismantle (TBC)	09 March 2018

## Submission Requirements

To register your interest in submitting an application for this competition please complete the online form by **Monday 27 November** at **5pm**.

<https://ribacompetitions.wufoo.eu/forms/riba-bookshop-lounge-at-ecobuild-2018/>

You will be sent a unique registration number (URN) and secure link to upload your application. This will arrive from [info@ribasubmit.com](mailto:info@ribasubmit.com) week commencing **27 November 2017**. The deadline to upload your 10 page single sided A4 application is **2pm** on **Thursday 30 November 2017**.

Please note that the total upload should not exceed 10MB and it is recommended that images are in low resolution format at 72ppi.

For enquiries relating to the Competition please contact [RIBA.Competitions@riba.org](mailto:RIBA.Competitions@riba.org) or call 0113 2031490.

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