

Certificate of Participation 2008

“Apartmenthouse for transitory dwelling "casa de transito"”

Havanna, Cuba

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We hereby certify that above mentioned project was entered in the Holcim Awards competition 2008 in which 4,774 entries were received. The submission was one of 1,875 entries that met the stringent criteria of the competition and was presented to the respective regional jury headed by:

Europe:

Harry Gugger, Switzerland

North America:

Adèle Naudé Santos, USA

Latin America:

José Luis Cortés, Mexico

Africa Middle East:

Joe Osae-Addo, Ghana

Asia Pacific:

Ashok B Lall, India

The Holcim Awards is an international competition of the Holcim Foundation for Sustainable Construction. The competition celebrates innovative, future-oriented and tangible sustainable construction projects from around the globe. Projects are assessed on the basis of five “target issues”:

Quantum change and transferability

Ethical standards and social equity

Ecological quality and energy conservation

Economic performance and compatibility

Contextual and aesthetic impact



a:b = (a+b):a

Theories of proportion frequently refer to the golden ratio, considered by many as divine proportion. We encounter the golden ratio everywhere – notably in architecture and art. The icosahedron – a twelve-cornered polyhedron – is created by three equally sized rectangles arranged at right angles to each other, sharing a common centre, and with an aspect in the golden ratio. The icosahedron stands for the objectives of the Holcim Awards for Sustainable Construction because sustainability always strives for harmony – between today and tomorrow, between resources and consumption, between needs and opportunities.

On behalf of the Holcim Foundation for Sustainable Construction, we congratulate you on this achievement, and thank you for your contribution in promoting sustainable construction – in architecture, landscape and urban design, civil and mechanical engineering and related disciplines.



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