



BOGDAN & VAN BROECK ARCHITECTS deliberately choose not to have a typical architectural style but we do have a consistent approach. We zoom out, redefine the client's question, allow for incubation time, consider all the alternatives, and constantly question what we do. We aim for quality at every scale, accept change and include – next to space - 'time' as the main context of a project. Over the 20th century, the history of architecture has evolved from a 'Beaux Arts' approach towards a rational, autonomous, problem solving one. We claim the necessity to push this approach to the next level and aim for an architecture that dares to let go of its autonomy and that is meaningful in today's society.

Our projects cover a wide range of programs – brownfield redevelopment, housing, schools, offices, public and cultural buildings, renovations – with scales ranging from furniture design to programs of over 50 000 m<sup>2</sup>. Thanks to the diversity of these commissions and to our background as architects, engineers and teachers, we also work as experts and consultants in the fields of urban design, site selection, real estate development, project management and feasibility studies. We are active in Brussels, in Belgium and in a number of other countries (Romania, Congo, Iceland, Sweden, Argentina, Estonia, Hungary).

We are involved in research and education. Oana Bogdan and Leo Van Broeck are both active at the University of Leuven, Belgium, where they teach urbanism, architecture, morphological engineering and building construction. Furthermore, they regularly take part in juries and support architectural quality in general: Leo Van Broeck was closely involved in the creation of sensitizing organisations such as the Flemish Architecture Institute and the Foundation for City and Architecture in Leuven; Oana Bogdan is a member of the Advisory Committee for Architecture and Design of the Flemish Government. Our ambition is reflected in the high education level of our multicultural and international team, a reflection of our 21st century global society.

## OANA BOGDAN

BORN DECEMBER 9TH 1977, SIGHISOARA, ROMANIA

FOUNDING PARTNER

- 2007-** Member of the Commission for Architecture and Design, Ministry of the Flemish Community
- 2007-** Founding partner at BOGDAN & VAN BROECK ARCHITECTS, Brussels
- 2004-** Visiting tutor, at MAHS – MAUSP – EMU (Advanced Master Human Settlements – Advanced Master in Urbanism and Strategic Planning – European Master in Urbanism Leuven, Delft, Barcelona, Venice) and bachelor & master in architecture at K.U.Leuven, ASRO (Department of Architecture, Urbanism and Spatial Planning)
- 2004-2007** Founding partner of BLU-net [Building Landscapes and Urbanism network], Barcelona, Spain
- 2003** Winner European 7, Pärnu, Estonia
- 2003** Dissertation nomination for the RIBA "President's Medals Student Awards" 2003
- 2003** Diploma in Architecture, degree magna cum laude, University of Architecture and Urbanism "Ion Mincu", Bucharest, Romania
- 2002** Diploma in Architecture, degree with distinction, Henry van de Velde Institute of Architecture, Antwerp
- 2002-** Official European correspondent for Arhitectura, Bucharest, Romania
- 2001-2007** Architect and Project Architect at VBMarchitects, Leuven
- 2000-2001** International student at K.U.Leuven, ASRO (Dep. of Arch., Urbanism and Spatial Planning)
- 1999-2000** Erasmus Scholarship at K.U.Leuven, ASRO (Dep. of Arch., Urbanism and Spatial Planning)
- 1999** TEMPUS Scholarship, Fachhochschule Regensburg, Germany

## LEO VAN BROECK

BORN AUGUSTUS 23RD 1958, ANTWERP, BELGIUM

FOUNDING PARTNER

- 2007-** Founding partner at BOGDAN & VAN BROECK ARCHITECTS, Brussels
- 2006-** Professor architectural design at K.U.Leuven, ASRO (Dep. of Arch., Urbanism and Spatial Planning)
- 2003-2007** Vice-president of the association City & Architecture, Leuven
- 2002-2007** Member of the Advisory Committee for Art in Public Space, Leuven
- 2002-2007** Member of the Urban Design Committee, Leuven
- 1999-2001** Feasibility study for the creation of VAI - Flemish Institute for Architecture - commissioned by the Ministry of Culture [with Koen Van Syngel]
- 1998-2007** Founding partner at Van Broeck & Meuwissen Ir. Architecten, Leuven [since 2004 VBMarchitects]
- 1997-2003** Founder and president of the association City & Architecture, Leuven
- 1995-2006** Tutor at K.U.Leuven, ASRO (Dep. of Arch., Urbanism and Spatial Planning)
- 1985-1998** Founder of Leo Van Broeck Architects, Leuven
- 1985** Internship at Ir. Arch. Lucas Van Herck Office, Leuven
- 1983-1984** Civil service at K.U.Leuven, Post Graduate Center
- 1982** Internship at Agfa Gevaert building & engineering department, Belgium
- 1981** Diploma in Civil Engineering & Architecture, degree with distinction, K.U.Leuven