

Prague Institute of Planning and Development  
Capital City of Prague

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REVITALIZATION OF CHARLES SQUARE  
Stage II. – the park

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# Information on the Evaluation Committee



## EVALUATION COMMITTEE

*Given the nature of the performance, proposals will be evaluated primarily from the perspective of their architectural (landscape architectural) quality. For this we need a respected expert committee, which will be introduced to the participants and the general public in advance. More than half the committee will consist of independent and well-respected experts. The committee will be selected in a manner that ensures that it is credible, independent and competent so that its decisions can be widely accepted and trusted. During the workshop, it will guarantee the continuity of decision making by monitoring the development of the proposals during the course of the workshops. The committee will appoint expert advisors to assist it in its task, who will attend committee meetings and workshops in an advisory role and assess the proposals before their final completion from specific, technical perspectives, in terms of transport and traffic, the accuracy of the budgets submitted, a proper understanding of the cultural heritage, impact on trees, rain water management, care for greenery and criminality (quantity surveyor, dendrological surveyor, and others). The procedure for committee meetings will correspond to the nature of the evaluation of the overall quality of the proposed solution, which must be the subject of mutual discussions. Although rating points will be used for the different criteria, committee members will be required to first justify their evaluation in open discussions. The final decision will be justified in the minutes (record), which will be available to everyone.*

# COMMITTEE MEMBERS

## **ORDINARY MEMBERS – DEPENDENT**

ADRIANA KRNÁČOVÁ, *mayor*

VÁCLAV VONDRÁŠEK, *vice-mayor for Prague 2*

PAVLA MELKOVÁ, *director of the Urban Design Section, IPR Prague*

KAREL PRAJER, *director of the Strategic Investment Department*

## **ORDINARY MEMBERS – INDEPENDENT**

ALMUT JIRKU, *landscape architect, Senat Berlin, BDLA member*

CORNELIUS SCHERZER, *landscape architect, Technical University of Dresden*

LADISLAV LÁBUS, *dean of the Faculty of Architecture CTU Prague*

MICHAL FIŠER, *architect, Třiarchitekti*

PETR HLAVÁČEK, *historian, philosopher, Collegium Europaeum*

## **SUBSTITUTES – DEPENDENT**

JANA PLAMÍNKOVÁ, *councilor of Prague*

SYLVIE HÁJKOVÁ, *Prague 2 Development Office*

ŠTĚPÁN ŠPOULA, *landscape architect, IPR Prague*

PETR HANKOVEC, *Strategic Investment Department*

## **SUBSTITUTES – INDEPENDENT**

SUZANNE SPURNÁ, *landscape architect*

ŠTĚPÁN VALOUCH, *architect, Opočenský-Valouch architekti*

ANTONÍN NOVÁK, *architect, DRNH*

# SHORT BIOGRAPHIES OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS



**ADRIANA KRNÁČOVÁ**

Mayor of Prague. Graduate in Fine Arts and Languages from the Faculty of Arts and Philosophy, Charles University in Bratislava, the University of Michigan and University DePaul in Chicago. After completing her studies she was involved in organising exhibitions at home and abroad, art theory and criticism, interpreting and translation. From 1991 she ran the Soros Center for Contemporary Arts in Bratislava for four years. During the period from 2001–2007 she acted as Executive Director of the Czech branch of Transparency International. From 2007–2009 she worked as Director of Communication and Member of the Board of Johnson & Johnson. In March 2014 she was appointed Deputy to Minister of the Interior, Milan Chovanec before, that same year, being elected Mayor of Prague.



**PAVLA MELKOVÁ**

She graduated from the Faculty of Architecture of the Czech Technical University, where she also received her doctorate. In 2014 she attended GSAPP Columbia University in New York, having received a Fulbright scholarship. She is a practising architect, but also devotes herself to theoretical, lecturing and publishing activities and designing exhibitions. She has written a number of specialised books and regularly publishes in professional journals. Since 1996 she has been a partner of the MCA studio. In 2012 she founded the Public Space Office at the Prague Institute of Planning and Development, where she works as Director of the Urban Detail Section. She was nominated for the Architect of the Year Award in 2014, received the Grand National Prize of Architecture in 2012, the Prague Mayor's prize in 2012, was nominated for the Club for Old Prague prize in 2012, won first prize at the East Centric Architect Awards competition in 2013 and was nominated for the European Union Prize for Contemporary Architecture – Mies van der Rohe Award in 2013. Since 2015 she has been lecturing on the Concept and Interpretation course at the Faculty of Architecture of the Czech Technical University.



**JANA PLAMÍNKOVÁ**

Prague Councillor and Mayor of the Prague district of Slivenec. She graduated in geology from the Faculty of Natural Sciences at Charles University in Prague. She worked as a journalist, specialising in natural sciences, the environment and energy savings. She has been on the Prague-Slivenec city council from 1998. Since 2006 she has consistently been the head of the local town hall. In 2014 she was elected as a member of the Prague City Council and, subsequently, Councillor for infrastructure, technical equipment and the environment. As part of the “Mayors and independents” group, she presided over the Prague regional committee and is now its Vice-Chairperson. She is also currently Vice-Chairperson of the Association of City Districts for the Capital City of Prague.



**ALMUT JIRKU**

Studies of landscape architecture in Hannover, work experience in Hamburg and Berlin. Since 1992: Competition group of the Senate Administration for Urban Development. Focus on urban landscape architecture and urbanism, landscape architecture and resource efficiency, green infrastructure, relationship between use and design of urban open spaces. Numerous publications, lectures and guest teachings. Since 2002 member of the BDLA (German federation of landscape architects).



**CORNELIUS SCHERZER**

Studied Landscape Architecture and Planning in Hannover, Berlin and Birmingham. He worked in the fields of landscape and urban development in consultancies and became a self-employed landscape architect in 1992. His activities include mainly urban projects in collaboration with architects and planners and memberships of expert panels and juries for competitions e.g. in Berlin, Dresden, Hannover, Munich and Potsdam. He teaches open space planning at HTW Dresden - University of Applied Sciences, cooperating with local authorities, professional institutions, civil society and partner universities in Europe on interdisciplinary landscape development and urban transformation.



**VÁCLAV VONDŘÁŠEK**

Deputy Mayor for the Prague 2 district (ODS). He is married with two children. He graduated in architecture from the Faculty of Construction at the Czech Technical University. He has been involved, among other things, in preparing building construction and transport organisation. Since 1991 he has worked at the Construction Department at Prague City Hall and in 1993 he was appointed Director. From 2002 to 2006 he was in charge of preparing construction sites for a professional organisation dealing with the reconstruction of apartments. He is a member of the Czech Association for Building Legislation. He has been elected to his third term as Deputy Mayor of the Prague 2 district, representing the Association of Historic Settlements in Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia.



**KAREL PRAJER**

Director of the City Hall Department for Strategic Investment graduated from the Czech Technical University, Faculty of Civil Engineering and is an authorized civil engineer with ČKAIT certification. He gained his work expertise in management functions for contractors as well as in investment / real estate development.



**LADISLAV LÁBUS**

Architect and teacher. In his architectural studio, FASHION AA, Ladislav Lábus often deals with renovations and integration of buildings into the historical environment. His work is also known to be focused on housing and housing for the elderly. Ladislav Lábus's projects won the prestigious prize Grand Prix of Architects, Building of the Year and many other awards. In 2013, he received the respectable Honorary Fellowship of the American Institute of Architects. Since 2014 he has been Dean of the Faculty of Architecture at CUT Prague.



**ŠTĚPÁN VALOUCH**

A graduate of the Faculty of Architecture of the Czech Technical University. After working for a number of years in architectural studios, he founded the ov-a architectural studio with Jiří Opočenský in 2007. The studio carries out commissions ranging from small houses to residential complexes and its designs have won prizes at a number of competitions and it was nominated for the Mies van der Rohe award in 2015. From 2012-13 he has headed the ZAN studio at the Czech Technical University.



**SYLVIE HÁJKOVÁ**

She graduated from the Faculty of Construction at the Czech Technical University. She is an authorised engineer under the Czech Chamber of Authorized Engineers and Technicians Active in Construction in the field of building construction. After completing her studies, she worked as a designer in architectural studios. Since 2005 she has been involved in ensuring the preparation of designs for the development of the territory of the Prague 2 city district in the area of construction in the Department of Spatial Development. This has involved, among other aspects, infilling, spatial regulation, territorial stability and environmental protection, transport and the conservation of monuments. She also acts as Secretary of the Development Committee for the Prague 2 city council. She is married and has a daughter.



**PETR HLAVÁČEK**

A historian and philosopher, as coordinator and specialist, he heads the Collegium Europaeum at Charles University Faculty of Arts and the Philosophical Institute at the Academy of Sciences of the CR. He devotes himself to religious, cultural and intellectual history, as well as problems concerning the European identity (also involving art, architecture and urban planning).



**ŠTĚPÁN ŠPOULA**

An authorised landscape architect. During his studies at the Mendel University of Agriculture in Brno he spent a year as an intern in Valencia and then in Mexico City in the GDU studio. From 2006 to 2013 he worked as an independent landscape architect on a number of products, often in collaboration with others. During the past 3 years he has been working in the Public Space Office at the Prague Institute of Planning and Development. He has also taught and been involved in research as an external member of the Faculty of Architecture of the Czech Technical University. He is a member of the working group for landscape architecture at the Czech Chamber of Architects and has long been involved in issues concerning the suburban landscape in metropolitan areas and green infrastructure.



**ANTONÍN NOVÁK**

After graduating from the Brno University of Technology Faculty of Architecture in 1988, he started as a planner for the Brno branch of Obchodní projekt, in 1989 he co-founded the design centre for the Stavoprogres company. From 1991-2 he worked in Professor W. Holzbauer's Vienna studio and contributed to drafting the plans for IBM's administrative centre in Vienna and Austria Bank's Administrative Centre in Vienna. In 1993, together with Petr Valenta, he founded the Atelier DRNH design studio, which has won over twenty awards, nominations and prizes in a number of architectural competitions. For example, Stavba roku (*Building of the year*), Grand prix Obce architektů (*Grand prix of the municipality of architects*), Stavíme ekologicky (*Environmental building*), Stavba Jihomoravského kraje (*South Moravian Regional building*). In 2014 he received the title of Architect of the Year. He frequently serves as a jury member for architectural competitions run by the Czech Chamber of Architects. He has been a member of the Academy of Architects since 2008 and has taught from 2000 in Brno and Liberec. He is currently Vice-Dean of the University of Technology Faculty of Architecture and in 2012 worked as associate professor at the Czech Technical University in Prague. He has co-authored three books with Petr Valenta: Sloupky o architektuře (*Columns on architecture*), Dům a krajina I (*The house and the landscape I*) and Dům a krajina II. Since 2015 he has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Karel Komárek's Proměny (*Transformations*) foundation.



**MICHAL FIŠER**

A graduate of the Faculty of Architecture of the Czech Technical University in Prague and the Academy of Fine Arts of Prague, the School of Architecture of Professor Emil Příklad and an authorised architect in the Chamber of Architects. In 2002 he co-founded his own platform, třiarchitekti (Three Architects). He has written a number of projects for private clients and public authorities in the area of urban planning, landscaping and landscape architecture on various scales, ranging from strategic plans to street furniture. He is frequently called to work on projects involving the revitalisation and modification of public spaces. He works in a multi-disciplinary team, composed of landscape architects, transport engineers and hydraulic engineers and often collaborates with artists, historians and gardeners. He is the co-author of an extensive project on the revitalisation of the banks of the Ohře in Kadaň (the Maxipes Fík waterfront) and has been nominated for the Mies van der Rohe Award 2011. He frequently participates in architectural competitions as a competitor, juror or auditor. He represents the Czech Chamber of Architects in the Architect's Council of Europe (ACE), dealing with issues concerning architectural competitions. In 2014 he was a guest lecturer at the North Carolina State University, the Prague Institute, Landscape Architecture studio.



**SUSANNE SPURNÁ**

A landscape architect, she graduated from the Faculty of Architecture at Dresden University in 2001. Her dissertation was on the historical development and potential of public space in Prague, Smíchov. She gained her professional experience at the Eva Vízková studio, the Department of Historical Cultural Landscape at VUKOZ from 2004 to 2015 and as a designer in the Cigler Marani Architects studio. In 2008 she gained her authorisation in the field of Landscape Architecture (CCA), is a member of the working, now initiating, Landscape Architecture group at the CCA. She engages in design, lecturing and publication activities.



**PETR HANKOVEC**

Head of the Water Management and Transport Infrastructure Section at the City Hall Department for Strategic Investment graduated from the Czech Technical University, Faculty of Civil Engineering. After graduation he worked for various contractors preparing and managing implementation of construction projects. He gained additional work experience as a manager in an international construction company.







