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One Central Park represents Australia with Best Innovative Green Building win at 2015 Global MIPIM Awards

By now everyone in the industry must know of One Central Park by French practice Ateliers Jean Nouvel and Australian firm PTW Architects, not least because of the number of accolades the project has collected since its completion in December 2013.

This week, the Sydney high-rise adds another award to the shelf after being named the Best Innovative Green Building at the 2015 global MIPIM (Le marché international des professionnels de l'immobilier) Awards in Cannes, France.

Honouring the most outstanding and accomplished real estate projects around the world, the MIPIM Awards are now into its 26th year, and has been dubbed 'The Oscars of the property world'.

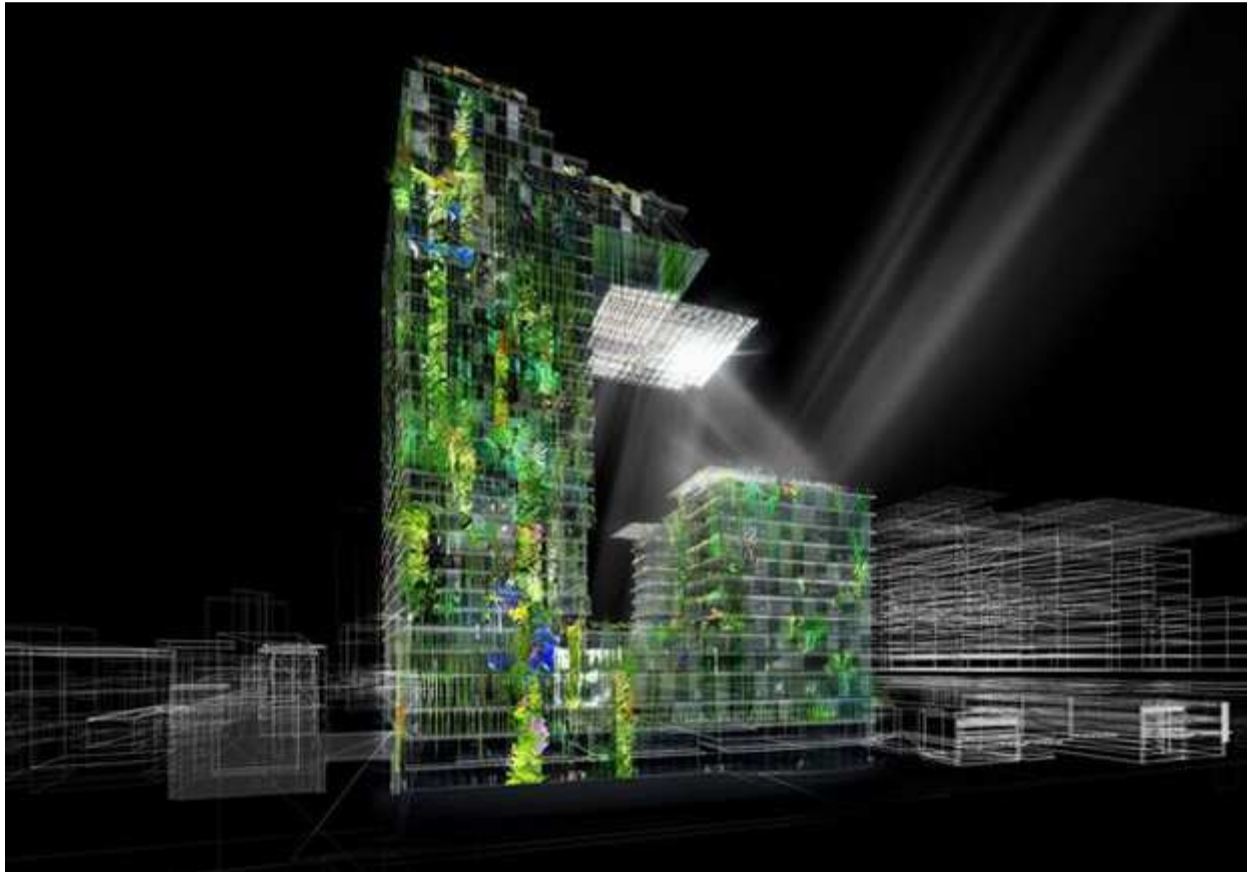
One Central Park was the only Australian finalist in both its nominated categories, and beat notable sustainable projects such as Kastelli – Community Centre in Oulu, Finland by Lahdelma&Mahlamäki Architects; Powerhouse Kjørbo in Oslo, Norway by Snøhetta; and The Edge in Amsterdam, The Netherlands by PLP Architecture.

However, it lost the Best Residential Development prize to Krøyers Plads I by Vilhelm Lauritzen Architects & COBE Architects, a modern version of the old harbour warehouses that is the first apartments in Denmark to be Eco-labelled by the Nordic Eco label.



Comprising 623 apartments in two adjoining towers linked by a recreation podium, One Central Park is defined by the largest en masse vertical gardens in the world which clad its exterior facades, covering 1,100sqm and designed by botanist Patrick Blanc. It also features Nouvel's signature, a monumental cantilever expressed as a sky garden extending from level 29 of the project's taller East tower.

This cantilever supports a light-reflecting heliostat system, which is the first of its kind to be used in a residential context in Australia, and the largest of its type in the world to be used in an urban environment.



“Frasers Property, together with our joint venture partners Sekisui House Australia, is incredibly grateful to MIPIM for this recognition. Being named the Best Innovative Green Building is a huge endorsement from the international architectural community and reinforces the extraordinary design and sustainability credentials of One Central Park,” said Central Park’s Development Director, Mick Caddey.

“One Central Park is an exemplar of what can be achieved when world-leading design partners collaborate and pioneering sustainability initiatives are undertaken: a development that is truly innovative and unique.”

The judges for this year’s MIPIM Awards include architects Kengo Kuma of Kengo Kuma & Associates and Dominique Perrault of Dominique Perrault Architecture, and chief architect of the City of Moscow, Sergey Kuznetsov