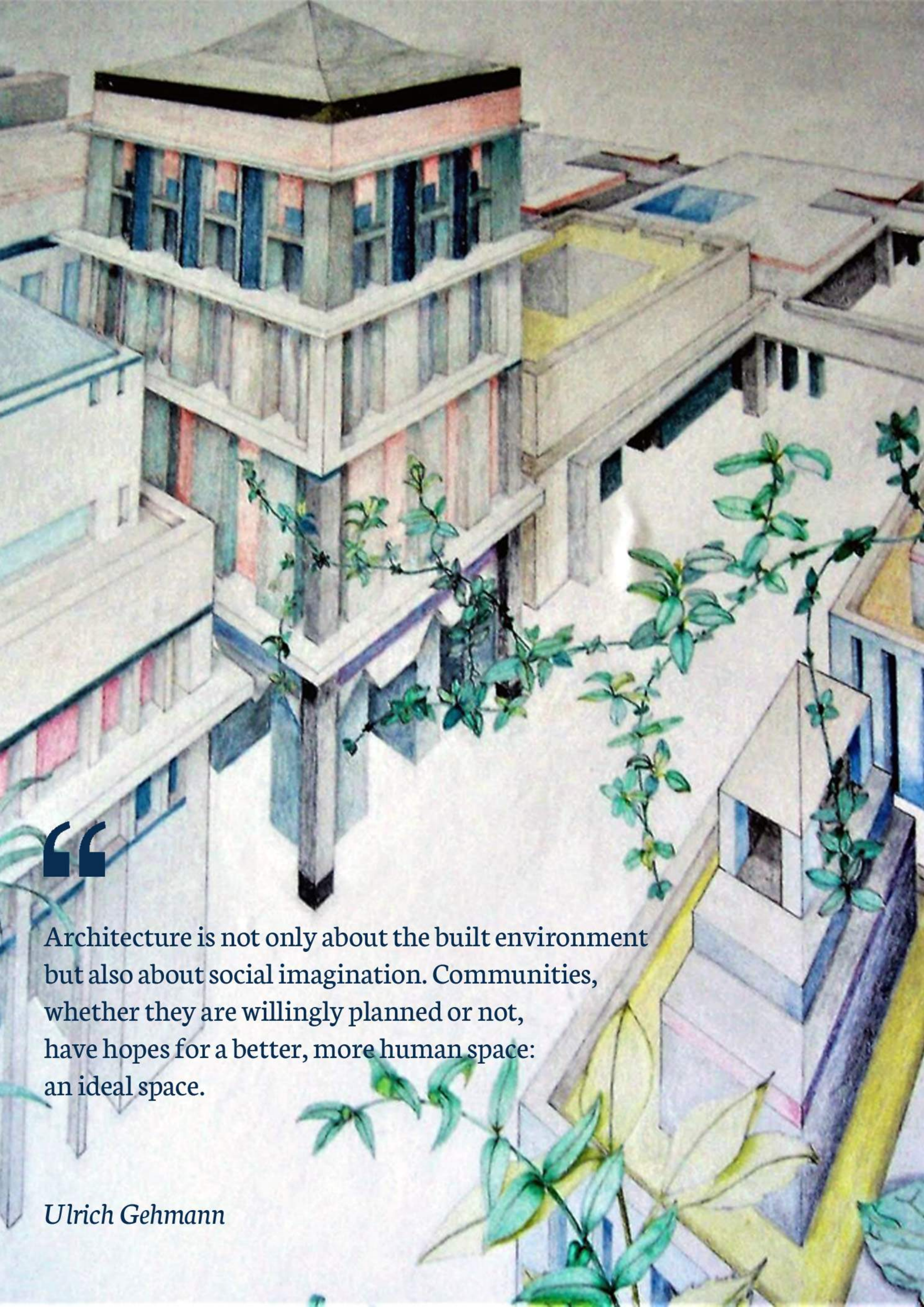


# Villa Gehmann

a new centre for the *Ideal Spaces Foundation*





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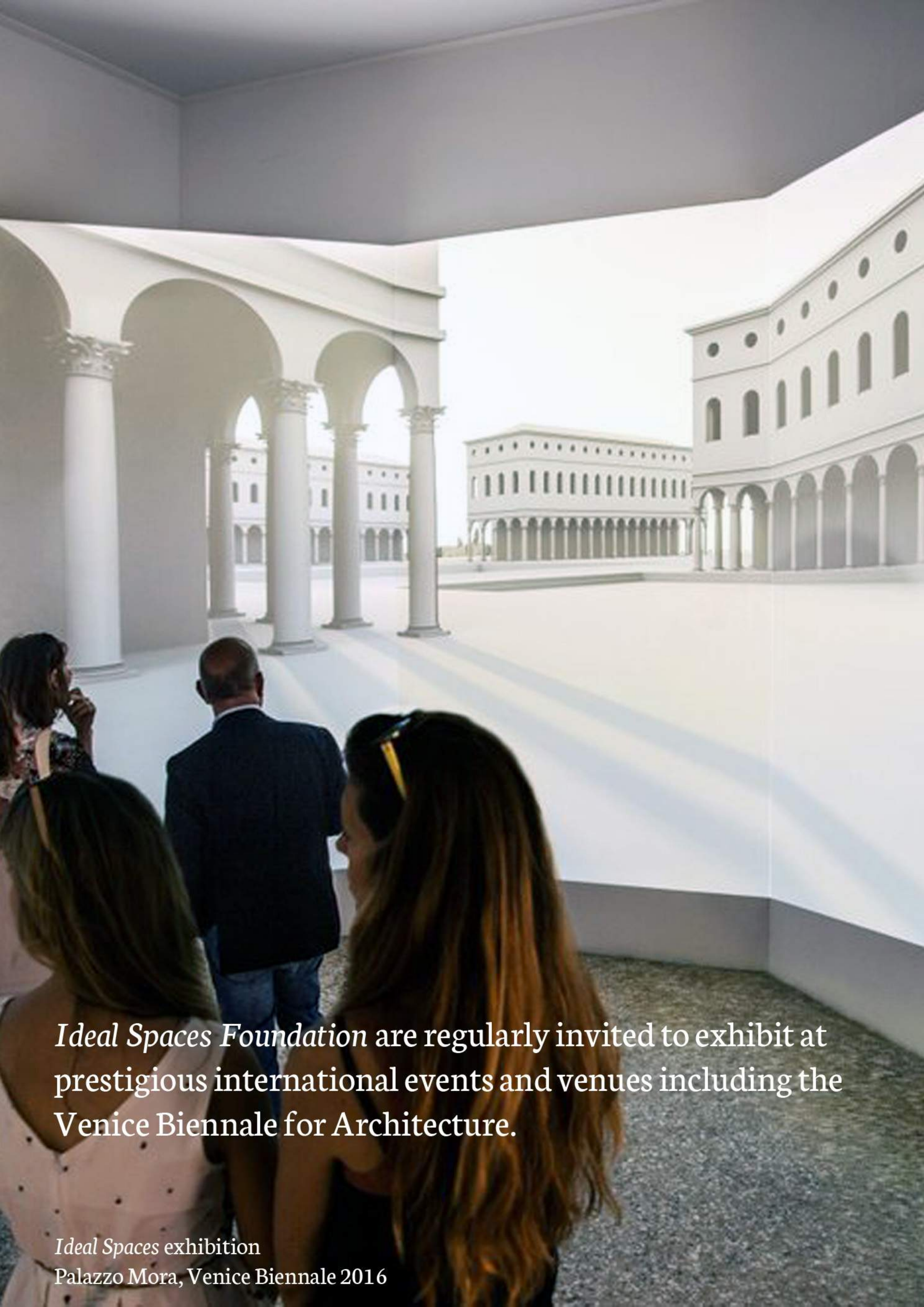
Architecture is not only about the built environment but also about social imagination. Communities, whether they are willingly planned or not, have hopes for a better, more human space: an ideal space.

*Ulrich Gehmann*









*Ideal Spaces Foundation* are regularly invited to exhibit at prestigious international events and venues including the Venice Biennale for Architecture.

*Ideal Spaces* exhibition  
Palazzo Mora, Venice Biennale 2016





Performance during the  
*Moving Art* event, Marktplatz, Karlsruhe 2022



Alessandro Scafi (Warburg Institute) at the  
*Communities and Resilience* symposium  
Italian Pavilion, Venice Biennale 2021



Opening night at the  
*Community and Place* exhibition  
Schusev State Museum, Moscow 2020





*Dr. Ulrich Gehmann, founder and director of the Ideal Spaces Foundation, is a highly respected cultural theorist. His humanistic explorations into utopia, communities and their architecture draws upon a background in history, anthropology and art combined with a distinguished career in high-level business and international governmental consultancy.*



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Most examples of modern architecture neglect one essential human need: to live in communities. This has to be changed. Communities need places and not just spaces for mere human existence, but real places of identity, distinctness and belonging. Today, in light of recent conditions, we need ideal spaces for communities more than ever.

Our vision at the *Ideal Spaces Foundation* is to open up Villa Gehmann and its gardens to host exhibitions, symposia, events and platforms of exchange that bring together policy makers, scholars, cultural institutions, urban planners, architects and citizens to help make that change.

*Ulrich Gehmann*





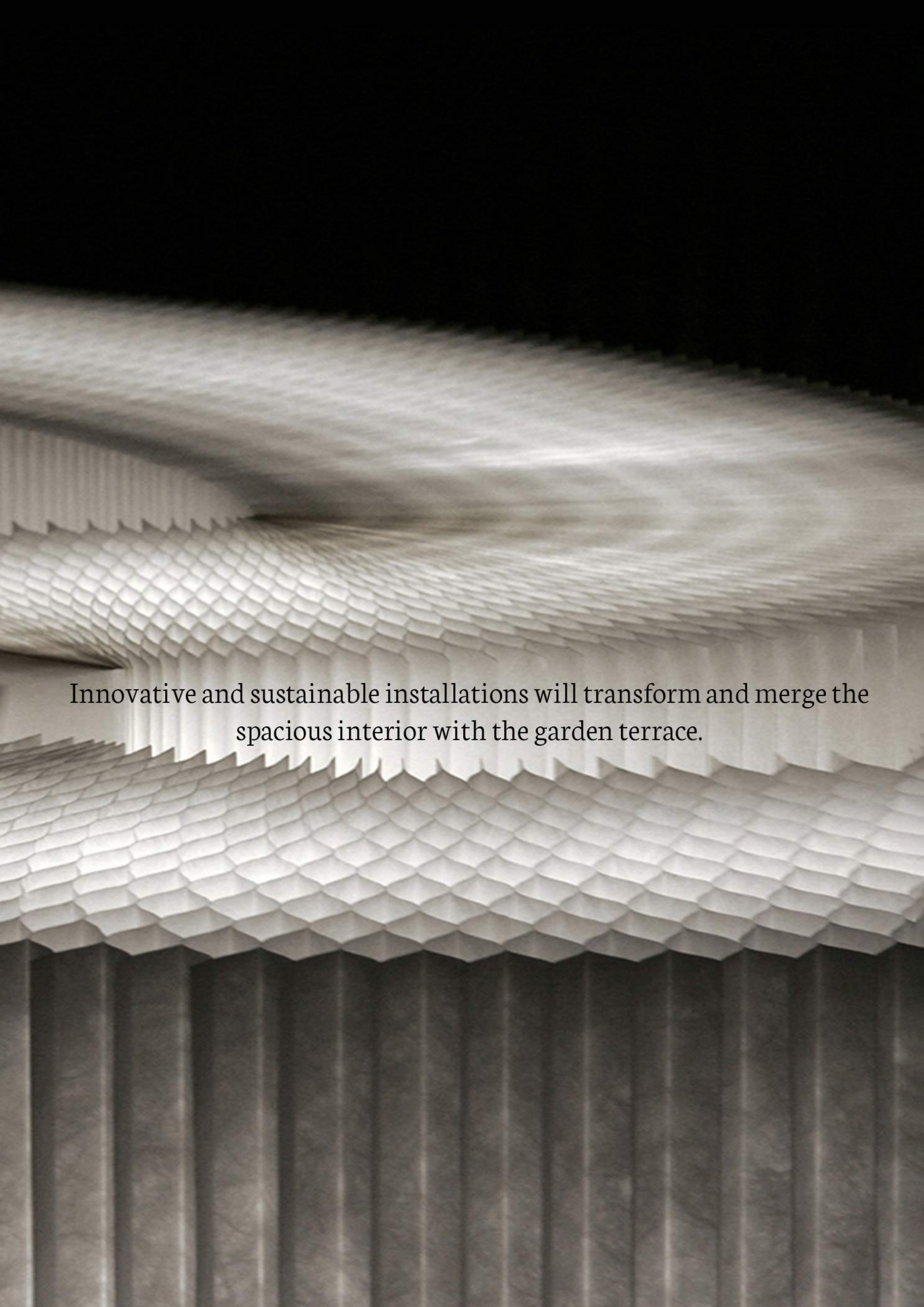
Located in the northernmost foothills of the Black Forest, Villa Gehmann is a prime example of 1950s modernist architecture ingeniously set within its own landscaped grounds.

*Ideal Spaces Foundation* is working with architect Jateen Lad to introduce new features including a flexible symposium and exhibition space, a gallery and lounge, a landscaped terrace and facilities for residential stay.







The image shows a close-up of a modern architectural interior. The ceiling is a large, curved, white structure with a textured, scale-like or honeycomb-like pattern. Below the ceiling, there is a dark, vertical-slatted wall. The lighting is soft and even, highlighting the textures of the materials.

Innovative and sustainable installations will transform and merge the spacious interior with the garden terrace.





An ideal space for each exhibition, symposium, workshop and event will be designed and arranged in collaboration with all key participants.



A man with glasses, wearing a blue button-down shirt and a dark blazer, stands behind a white podium. He is holding a small white card in his hands. On the podium is a black laptop. The background consists of a brick wall on the right and white curtains on the left. The text is overlaid on the lower left portion of the image.

Inaugurating Villa Gehmann in September 2023 was the *Natural City* symposium with many respected international speakers and participants.

Sam Olshin  
of AOS Architects, Philadelphia, USA



Michael Johansson  
University of Kristianstad, Sweden



Botond Bogнар  
Illinois School of Architecture, USA



Johannes Baar-Baarenfels  
architect, Vienna, Austria











*Natural City* symposium at Villa Gehmann in September 2023  
featuring art historian Barbara Tagliolini, from Paris,  
and Massimo Venturi Ferriolo from Politecnico di Milano.





The landscaped grounds offer  
an experience of a private  
botanic garden with  
mature trees,  
shrubs and  
flora.





New sustainable and aesthetic landscaping features  
will enhance the tranquillity of the place  
as a true retreat  
in nature.





Events at Villa Gehmann will provide  
an immersive experience of natural art.....



.....and virtual art in nature.







An extensive library  
serves as a dedicated place to  
read,  
discover new references  
and exchange ideas....





.....while new facilities will provide a place to stay  
in nature  
for  
artists and architects  
in residence.







# Community and Concepts of Resilience

## Conditions and contexts

In ideal terms, resilience refers to how desired spaces for resilient communities are imagined and conceptualized by their planners and inhabitants, and how the designed spaces reflect this, particularly with regard to their symbolic value as ideal spaces for communal living



# COMUNITÀ RESILIENTI

20  
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10AM  
TO  
6PM

by Ideal Spaces Working Group  
@idealspaceswg

Evento organizzato nell'ambito del Padiglione Italia alla 77. Mostra Internazionale di Architettura della Biennale di Venezia

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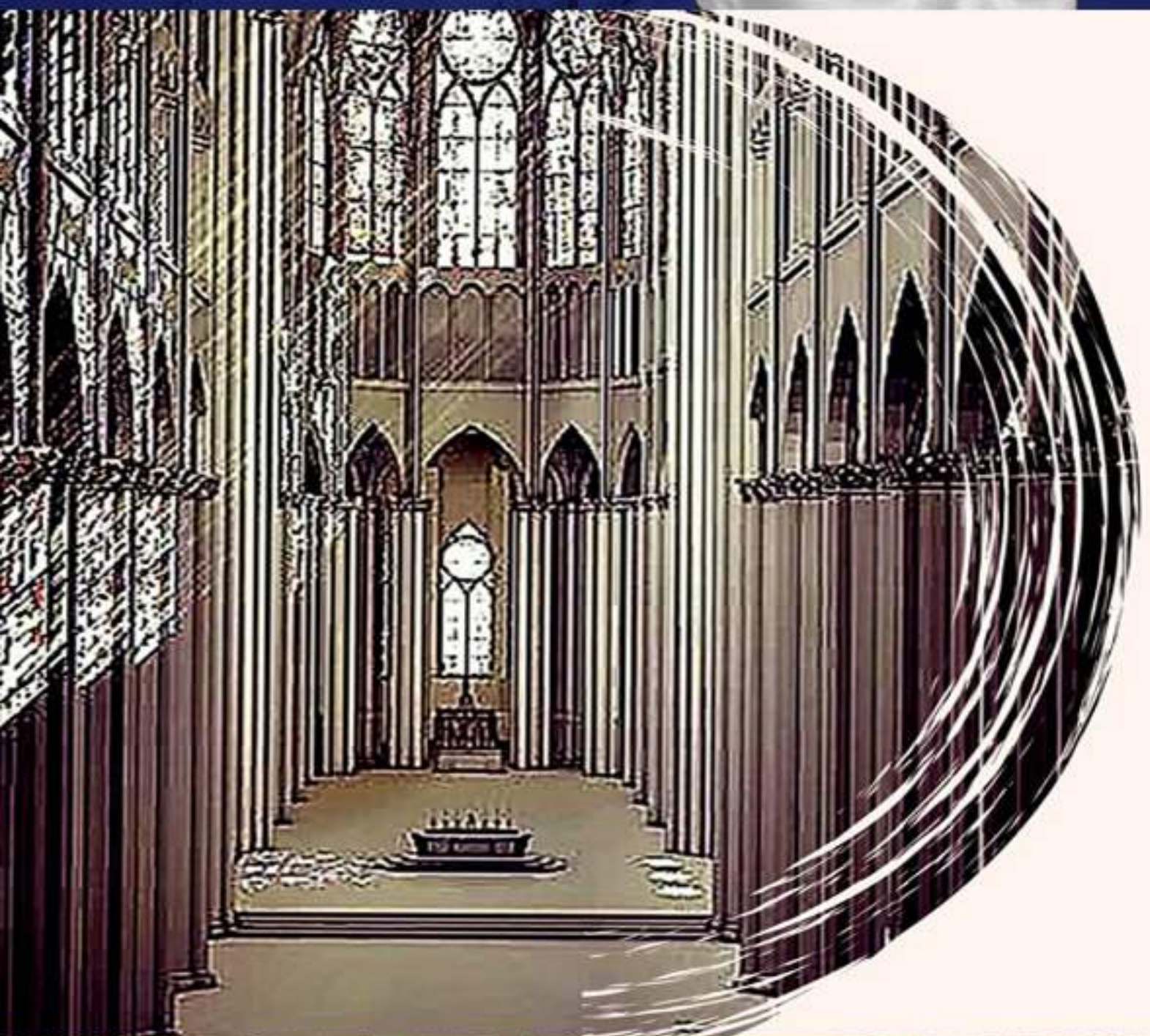


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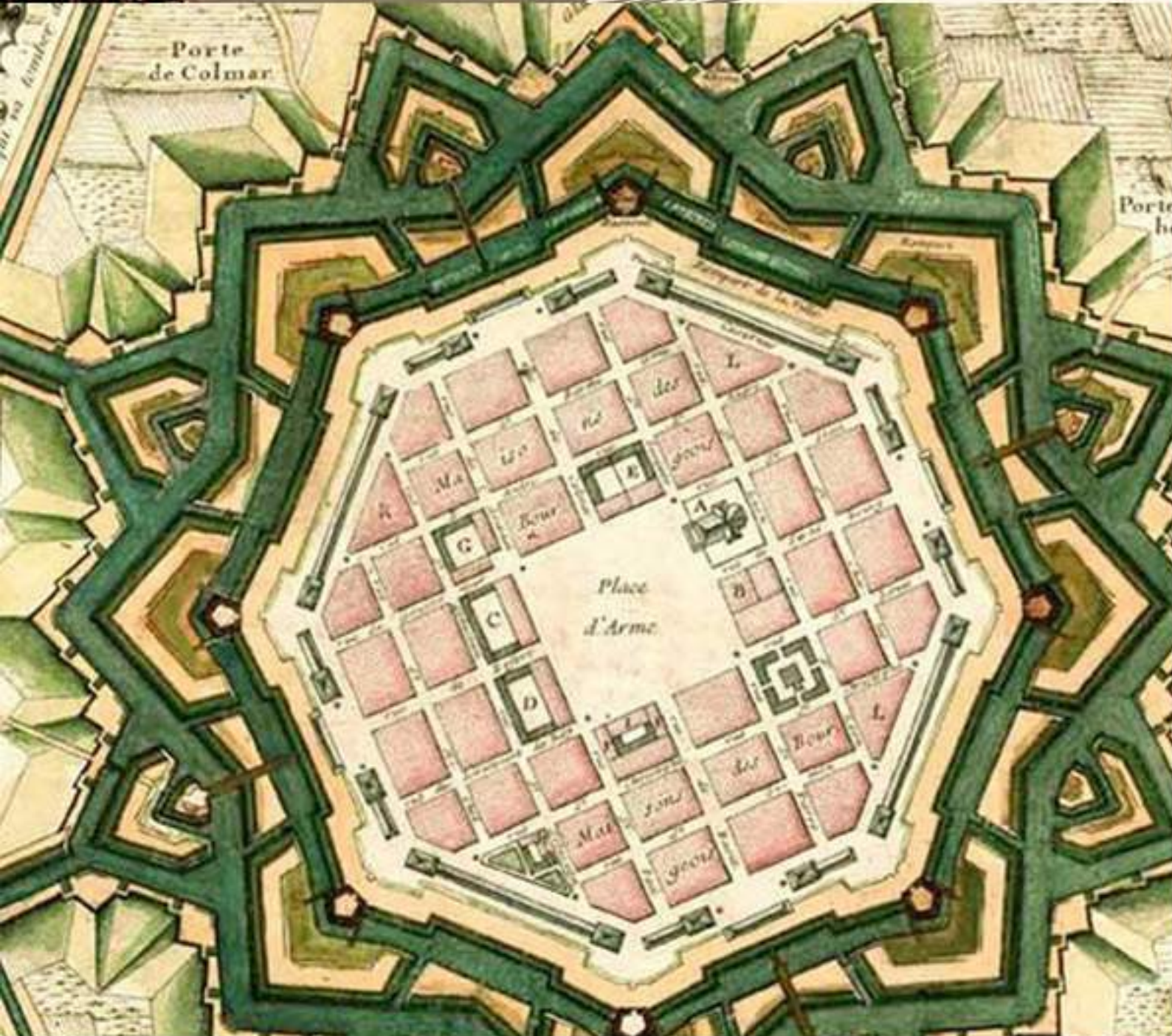
### Forum on sustainable cities and communities

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A BEAUTIFUL  
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15 - 16 OCT. 2021  
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VENICE, ITALY

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