



# ON POWER IN ARCHITECTURE

A MATERIALIST PERSPECTIVE

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At the international symposium *On Power in Architecture* renowned philosophers and architectural theoreticians Mladen Dolar, Hilde Heynen, Teresa Stoppani, and Sven-Olov Wallenstein will examine the topic of power at the intersection of philosophy and architecture.

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Architecture has served throughout history as one of the most prominent **tools of power**, functioning as both its representation and its manifestation, embedded as it is within the **public** and the **private** realm. The symposium *On Power in Architecture* aims to facilitate a **critical discussion** on the topic, while bringing thinkers and practitioners together to propose **concepts to reflect** on the intertwined relation between power and architecture.

The lectures will focus mainly on philosophers and theoreticians **from a materialist background**, taking into consideration among others Freud, Tzonis, Tafuri, Adorno, and Foucault, and will start from a **selected architectural case study**.

The Slovenian philosopher **Mladen Dolar** will talk about *Power and the Architectural Unconscious*, using the renown case of KSEVT in Slovenia, the Belgian architectural theoretician **Hilde Heynen** will deliver a lecture on *Architecture, Power, and Embodiment*, taking into consideration 3 contemporary parks. The Swedish philosopher **Sven-Olov Wallenstein** will talk about *Foucault and the Spatialization of Power*, while the Italian architect and architectural theorist **Teresa Stoppani** will focus on *Manfredo Tafuri and his critique of Le Corbusier's urbanistic projects for Algiers*.

The symposium will be held in English. Entry is free of charge.

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