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# Internacional launch of the 4th edition of the Lisbon architecture triennale

**How to speak today about the form in architecture?  
Where is the architectural form today and what does it mean?**

These are the central questions for the kick-off debate happening tomorrow, 17 November, 6pm, at RIBA – Royal Institute of British Architects, Lutyens Room. André Tavares, chief curator of the 2016 edition, will debate Communicating Forms with Mark Tuff, awarded English architect of Sergison Bates, and Tim Abrahams, critic and editor of several publications. This debate is a free admission public event.

The last few years, alternative architectural practices conquered terrain on public attention. Institutions and private practices turned their focus to architects as powerful mediators into social processes, shifting the traditional perspective on a profession oriented towards construction. The media contributed to this move, first promoting image-driven production to, just after, celebrating participatory and ephemeral practices. This phenomena generated a positive effect and allowed the enlargement of architecture's scope. When more and more attention is bestowed to the social engagement of architects, it also seems necessary to look back and resume the discussion on the fundamentals of architectural practice.

Triennale's next edition, The Form of Form, is curated by André Tavares and Diogo Seixas Lopes and will take place from 6 October to 11 December 2016. It aims to stimulate the debate around a large spectre of contemporary positions about the practice of architecture, and to explore the ways in which it transforms the world.

The Lisbon Triennale is an open platform for debate, research and promotion of contemporary architecture founded in 2007. Unique in the Iberian Peninsula, it operates in a



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disciplinary field that benefits of great world recognition due to Portuguese architects who have over the years consolidated their presence outside Portugal, making a mark in the international cultural scene.

The invited guest are available for interviews, please contact: email  
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Join us at the opening week in 6 - 9 Oct 2016

**SAVE-THE-DATE:**  
The Form of Form  
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