**Architectural Design Management Systems**

Major building projects are characterized by far-reaching fragmentation among the participating parties. There are many sub-processes that must successfully match for a satisfactory end result in terms of quality, time and money. If this does not happen as it should, delays, higher costs and minimal quality quickly result.

Design management is the innovative answer to this problem. The intrinsic integration of all the sub-processes at the start of a building project save time, costs and project management. This also helps to monitor the quality. The Architectural Design Management Systems (ADMS) program trains students to become experts in developing transparent and efficient design strategies. This makes it a unique program in Europe.

“ADMS trainees are bridge builders,” says Ad den Otter, PhD, the program’s director. “Large building projects quickly involve ten or so parties. Our experts connect them and create good mutual understanding. If a strategy is developed at the beginning of a building project that matches the various intrinsic building processes, this engenders the quality of the project. There is less risk of misunderstandings, logistical problems and delay.”

ADMS trainees have done their design projects at all kinds of companies and institutions in recent years. These include Architecten Cie Amsterdam, DHV Amersfoort and Eindhoven, Institute Verbeeten Tilburg, ING Real Estate Den Haag, Zri and SCS Den Haag, Brink Groep Eindhoven, ATP Innsbruck and Arrive Utrecht.

Since 1996 Number of graduates until 2010: 78

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