

European Heritage Awards Ceremony

Announcement of the Public Choice Award

By Denis de Kergorlay, Executive President of Europa Nostra

It is a great honour for me to announce the winner of our Public Choice Award for 2013. Again, thousands of citizens from all over Europe and beyond voted for their favourite project. With 30 excellent heritage projects to choose from, this was not an easy task for our voters.

Let me share with you some of the comments posted on our website:

About our winner, Dafne wrote

“This building spreads the light of knowledge and constitutes the foundation of the values and ideals of our modern European world”.

James said that

“This architectural restoration is one of the most important of its kind in the world - it was done with extraordinary attention to detail and historical precedence.”

Maria wrote - and her words already reveals quite a lot:

“All projects were very interesting but this restoration is so important for my country that I simply had to vote for this project at the first place”.

And let me quote also these words:

“During a recent solitary evening walk, the moon was up in the sky and the view on this superbly restored and gloriously illuminated monument was one of the most magnificent sights that I have ever experienced in my life.”

Let me not prolong further the suspense...

The winner of our Public Choice Award for 2013 is:

**PROPYLEA CENTRAL BUILDING, ACROPOLIS IN
ATHENS**