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E.U. WORKING VISITS REPORT BY EUGENE BOYLE - ARCHITECT



Eugene Boyle, Michael Lyons and Aidan Burke 2006

Irish Team

As in 2006 I made a decision to assemble a team from the different backgrounds and outlook with a preference for people with an appreciation of the qualities of timber, art of making, a familiarity with the business of building, a visual awareness and openness to a conceptual and responsive approach. This decision towards diversity had I believe, a direct and latent bearing on the richness of our collaborative approach, quality of final work and our contributions to the event both creatively and socially of other projects completed during the festival. The original team line up from 2006 could not take up the invitation to travel to Bergen, due to pressing work and family commitments. The Irish team organised for the 2008 event comprised of Eugene Boyle, Oliver Mc Cormack and Brian O'Loughlin. A detailed résumé of the our team members from both events is documented in the body of this report.

Concept

Our collaborative discussions covered considerations of form function and response to the material and the context we were to be presented with. We considered geometric order and possibilities for manipulation with respect to the nature of the materials provided. All of this in light of a clear intention to create an elegant structure encompassing refinement of assembly and in its articulation, to express a human scale, invite engagement and to respond to the context and people in which it was to be set around. It was agreed to construct a place where people could gather.



Oliver McCormack and Brian O'Loughlin



Eugene Boyle and Oliver McCormack