

## What is Check-In Architecture?

Check-In Architecture is 300 documentaries.

Check-in Architecture is a free-press and a blog.

Check-in Architecture is 2 exhibitions.

Check-in Architecture is hundreds of student-produced, online and offline-distributed videos.

Check-in Architecture is 600 students and researchers from all over Europe traveling across the continent to investigate folds in urban space.

Check-in Architecture is a generation living low-cost, travelling low-cost, aware of communication dynamics and their roles in it.

## Check-in Architecture: the project

Check-in Architecture is a participatory research project, supported by the International Union of Architects (UIA), the Venice Biennale of Architecture, and the 2008 World Design Capital, Turin. We invite art, architecture, design and creativity students from the best universities in Europe (you can find the complete list under the heading universities) to film spaces and people all over the continent. You will have the opportunity to travel for free, with logistical support from the Check-in Architecture office. In every city, you will accomplish a mission, producing a short documentary based on a script and a set of instructions

## Choose a mission

A cultural committee of curators, critics, and researchers will identify the most relevant themes and projects spanning the European cultural scene, which you will head into the field to document.

You can find and apply for a mission departing from your city, (on a day-to-day basis) online, at [www.checkinarchitecture.com](http://www.checkinarchitecture.com). The goal of each mission is to make a video (interview, reportage, or creative intervention) on the chosen theme, which will be then edited into a short format (1.30' to 3') by the Check-in Architecture office. Two people working together must accomplish each mission.

## On the road

Either a MINICLUBMAN or flight tickets will be provided for every mission, as well as vouchers for accommodations. The Check-in Architecture office will organize every detail of your travel from booking flights and hotels to setting up the appointments with the people to interview and the events to attend.

## After the Mission

Once the mission is completed you will have to send the footage to our office in Milan where it will be edited, post-produced and uploaded online.

All the videos will be uploaded on a special channel of YouTube ([youtube.com/checkinarchitecture](http://youtube.com/checkinarchitecture)) and charted on Google Maps. In addition to the free-open economy of YouTube, some of the best videos will be edited into longer versions and published on [www.minispace.com](http://www.minispace.com), along with special behind-the-scenes footage.

## The Blog!

On [checkinarchitecture.blogspot.com](http://checkinarchitecture.blogspot.com), we will regularly discuss and muse upon ideas, tales, news, and suggestions for possible missions. The blog will be an open space us to talk to you, you to talk to us, and you to talk to each other, in a platform that is, above all, an open space to think, discuss, critique, and kvetch.

## Free Press

During numerous events, including the Venice Biennale and Transmitting Architecture in Turin, a free-press magazine will be distributed full of instructions, research, photos, ideas, and numerous other creative interventions.

## MINISPACE

Check-in Architecture is one of the leading projects of [www.minispace.it](http://www.minispace.it), the most creative and active community online today regarding photography, design, art and lifestyle. On MINISPACE you can watch all the MINI Missions which have already been carried out, together with their backstages.

Furthermore, only on MINISPACE you can register to 20 Supermissions which are not reserved for students but open to everyone

## Check-in Points

During a number of special events, it will be possible to be assigned for a mission directly at Check-in Points, which will be open during Design Week in Milan, Festarch in Cagliari, as well as the 2008 World Design Capital and the XXIII UIA World Congress in Turin. Come to the Check-in Points for a number of SuperMissions and we'll have all the material ready for you to get started.

## The Urban Screen

Check-in Architecture will be showing at the heart of Piazza Duomo in Milan, through a medium of enormous impact. At over 486 meters long, the Urban Screen is the first and biggest media facade in Italy. We'll broadcast a preview of the project called "24-Hour Check-in People", a group portrait of European cities, showing a selection of the best documentary material in a 24-hour montage.

## Check-in Architecture Exhibitions

The best videos produced for Check-in Architecture will be shown in an exhibition during the XXIII UIA World Congress in Turin, from June 29th to July 4th 2008. The exhibit will travel to the Venice Biennale of Architecture, from September 14th to November 4th 2008.