

Dr. Linus von Castelmur, *Ambassador of Switzerland to India and Bhutan*
and Madame Françoise Gardies,

request the pleasure of your company for the presentation of:

RE-CENTERING DELHI

Friday, November 14, 2014
6:00 PM // Exhibition inauguration
& panel discussion

Saturday, November 29, 2014
6:00 PM // Closing symposium

at the Embassy of Switzerland
Nyaya Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi

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*Please present this invitation along with your ID at the
entrance of the Embassy*

RE-CENTERING DELHI

November 14 - 29, 2014
Embassy of Switzerland, New Delhi

Originating from the Lower Himalayas, the Yamuna River, the largest tributary of the Ganges, is a vital resource for the rapidly growing capital city of New Delhi. The Yamuna supplies the city of New Delhi with much of its drinking water, channeled from the river by a network of pipes at the Wazirabad barrage. Within the space of a few kilometers, so much untreated sewage and other toxic effluent are dumped into the Yamuna that the water is rendered "dead," posing serious health hazards to the citizenry of New Delhi. Teeming with a rapidly increasing population and a fraying network of urban infrastructure, New Delhi has severed all spatial links to the Yamuna.

RE-CENTERING DELHI is an ongoing research and design initiative at the University of Virginia School of Architecture. A collaboration between students and faculty, this exhibition presents the factors – ecological, social, and infrastructural – characterizing the Yamuna's present state of neglect. Employing drawings, maps, and a photo-essay, **RE-CENTERING DELHI** illustrates - in a series of urban design speculations - the potentials for vital re-connection between New Delhi and the Yamuna.

For additional information on the project, visit:
<http://www.re-centeringdelhi.com>

EXHIBITION INAUGURATION

Friday, November 14, 2014 // 6:00 PM

Exhibition opening and panel discussion with presentations by:

Iñaki Alday

Chair and Quesada Professor of Architecture, University of Virginia
Principal, *aldayjover arquitectura y paisaje*

Bimal Patel

President, CEPT University; Director, HCP Design, Planning and Management

Alain Bertaud

Urban Planner and Senior Research Scholar, NYU Stern Urbanization Project

Heinrich Wolff

Architect & Urban Designer; Guest Professor, ETH Zurich

Ashok Vajpeyi

Poet & Literary Critic

CLOSING SYMPOSIUM

Saturday, November 29, 2014 // 6:00 PM

Closing panel discussion with presentations by:

Linus von Castelmur

Ambassador of Switzerland to India and Bhutan

Pankaj Vir Gupta

Shure Visiting Professor of Architecture, University of Virginia
Principal, *vir.mueller architects*

Ratish Nanda

Project Director, Aga Khan Trust for Culture

Shyam Divan

Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India

Light refreshments will be provided at both the Inauguration and Closing Symposium