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1 ARCHITECT OF THE YEAR

The shortlist for Office Architect of the Year, part of BD's Architect of the Year Awards, features two practices whose work has featured in **office**. AHMM (whose Angel Building is pictured) and Squire and Partners will battle against KPF, Fletcher Priest and Lifschutz Davidson Sandilands to claim the prize. The judging takes place in October, and the winners are announced on 15 November at the awards ceremony, held in The Brewery in the City of London.

2 BABY SHARD

The Shard's developer Sellar Property Group has revealed new images of The Place, a 43,000sq m office block that will sit next door to Renzo Piano's skyscraper. Nicknamed the Baby Shard, the 17-storey tower has also been designed by Piano and is part of the £2bn London Bridge Quarter development. The £137m design features a winter garden and is expected to be completed in 2013.

3 DESIGN EVENT

Showcasing design talent from the north of England, Design Event is back for a seventh consecutive year from 14-18 October. Based around Newcastle's BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art, the theme of this year's festival is "Happiness". Exhibitions include Design Event MART, where more than 30 northern design companies, including Deadgood, Susan Bradley and Lazerian, will show their newest products. A new initiative called Design Event Presents will see eight local designers commissioned to create an exclusive product for the festival.

4 NOMAD TABLE

Dutch design company Spell has created a side table aimed at working and breakout spaces. The Nomad tablet table is made from steel and features a wooden dock for tablet PCs. It comes in square and round versions and is available in four colours.

5 BUSINESS HUB FOR GHANA

Construction on One Airport Square in Accra, Ghana, will begin early this September. The 17,000sq m mixed-use complex, designed by Mario Cucinella Architects, will include offices and commercial space as well as a public plaza. Situated in the commercial district of "Airport City", Laurus Development Partners hopes that the building will help establish Accra as a west African business hub. The structure will have nine floors of flexible office space as well as 2,000sq m of retail.

