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Alumnus of the Ecole Nationale des Beaux-Arts in Paris and the Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées, Edouard François has been an architect and urban planner since 1986. He established his own architectural, urban planning, and design studio in 1998. His career was launched with various projects, including “The Building that Grows” in Montpellier (2000) and the “Flower Tower” in Paris (2004).

**Edouard François** has taught in many schools around the world, including the Architectural Association in London, the Ecole Spéciale d'Architecture in Paris and the Design Academy in Eindhoven. His work can be found in the permanent collections of the Pompidou Centre and the FRAC Centre, and has been regularly exhibited internationally, including at the Canadian Centre for Architecture in Montreal, the Guggenheim Museum in New York, the Victoria & Albert Museum in London, and the Venice Architecture Biennale. His work has also been exhibited in Germany, Belgium, Lebanon, India, Brazil, and China. In 2011, Edouard François was elected Creator of the Year and the Royal Institute of British Architects also named him an honorary member for his contribution to international architecture (Int. Fellow RIBA). In 2012, he was named Chevalier des Arts et des Lettres by the French Minister of Culture.

The architecture of Edouard François reflects the tendencies of contemporary society. Sustainable development, the utilization of local materials and services, and the preservation and enhancement of existing buildings are all recurrent themes in his work. They are expressed through strong and unexpected proposals that still remain rooted in their context. Housing projects like La Closeraie in Louviers, Eden Bio in Paris, Coming Out in Grenoble (which won the Sustainable Habitat Award in 2008), and Urban Collage in Champigny-sur-Marne all investigate new forms of sustainable, “ecological” habitats.

The M6B2 Tower in Paris (to be completed in 2014) and the Planted Tower in Nantes explore more closely the idea of biodiversity. The former includes the use of wind to spread first-generation seeds and promote the regeneration of plants throughout the Paris metropolitan area. The Nantes tower studied the creation of creating a unique vertical exhibition of plants from the Botanical Garden of Nantes, compiled by explorers of the entire world. His latest high-rise project in Grenoble radicalizes ecological and social experimentation by detaching the correlation between facades and balconies.

In addition, Edouard François questions the nature of historical architecture through projects such as the hotel Fouquet's Barrière, the hotel Cheval Blanc at the Samaritaine, and the Metropole Hotel in Beaulieu-sur-Mer. These projects are original proposals with forms that are as contemporary and radical as they are respectful to their historic or exceptional surroundings.

In 2012, Edouard François has given fresh impetus to his studio, now named *Maison Edouard François*.

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### CURRENT PROJECTS:

Estimated total value: 850 M€

Krrish Square, Colombo Sri Lanka  
Gurgaon 71, Gurgaon, India  
The Gardens of Anfa, Casablanca, Morocco  
Gurgaon 66, Gurgaon, India  
The democratization of the skyline, ZAC Peninsula, Grenoble  
Hotel Cheval Blanc at the Samaritaine LVMH, Paris  
Hotel Métropole, Beaulieu-sur-Mer, France  
M6B2 Biodiversity Tower, Paris  
The Hills of Honfleur, luxury commercial center, Honfleur  
Housing, Ris-Orangis, France  
Master Plan, Ris-Orangis, France  
Club Med 4 and 5 Tridents, Al Diana, Sénégal

### REALIZED PROJECT:

Urban Collage, Champigny-sur-Marne Raw Inside, Nursury, preschool and elementary school, Chartres, 2010  
Coming out, 69 units of housing, ZAC de Bonne, Grenoble, 2010  
Eden Bio, 100 units of housing, Paris, 2009  
Love Table, offices of the firm Havas, Suresnes, 2007  
showroom BMW à Bruxelles, 2007  
Hotel Fouquet's Barrière, Paris, 2006  
La Closeraie, 18 apartments and housing, Louviers, 2006  
Ternes Parking Garage, Paris, 2007  
Tower Flower, Paris, 2004  
Interiors of the Enjoy offices, Paris, 2002  
"The building that grows", Montpellier, 2000  
Extension of the Buffon school complex (with Duncan Lewis), Thiais, 1996.  
« Rural Holiday Retreat », Jupilles, 1996

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#### DESIGN:

Jakt Chair  
Labyrinthus  
Hair Panton  
98%  
Rosa Verde  
Rum Bottle  
Sushi Valley  
Alphabetical Dietetic Grill  
Y Lamp  
F(lat) Pot  
Tray for stem glass  
Love Table

#### PERMANENT COLLECTIONS:

Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris  
FRAC Centre, Orléans

#### DISTINCTIONS:

Nominated *Chevalier des Arts et des Lettres*, 2012  
Nominated International fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architect, London, 2011  
Nominated *Créateur de l'année*, Salon Maison & Objet, 2011  
Nominated for the Brick Award, Germany, 2010  
Nominated for the Silver T-square, nominated, 2009  
First Prize, National Sustainable Neighborhoods Awards, 2009  
First Prize, Sustainable Housing Award, 2008  
Nominated for the de Crystal Globes, "Best contemporary artist of 2006"  
Silver Medal, Académie d'architecture, Fondation le Soufraché, 2002  
Nominated for the Silver T-square, nominated, 2000  
Nominated for the Mies Van der Rohe Awards, 2000  
First prize, International Forum of Young Architects, Sofia, Bulgaria, 1997

#### TEACHING POSITIONS:

Ecole Méditerranéenne des Jardins et du Paysage à Grasse 1995/1996  
AA (Architectural Association), London, 1997/1999  
ESA, Paris, 1997/1998  
Ecole Nationale supérieure du paysage de Versailles, 1998/1999  
Ecole d'architecture de Marne la Vallée, 2000/2001  
Ecole Paris-Conflans 1999/2000

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