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**RE: INTERNATIONAL DESIGN CONTEST FOR THE NATIONAL SCIENCE AND  
INNOVATION CENTRE**

Your Excellency Ambassador,

We are happy to announce that last week international design contest for the National Science and Innovation Centre „Science Island“ in Kaunas has been launched. This one-stage anonymous design contest seeks concept designs for a new €25M National Science and Innovation Centre along with an urban integration plan for Nemunas Island. This initiative is a response to the success of international exemplar science centers all over the world, notably the Copernicus Science Centre in Warsaw, the Phaeno Science Centre in Wolfsburg, the Experimentarium in Copenhagen, all of which have popularized science through hands-on enquiry and expositions.

This Centre will be built in an exceptional area in Kaunas city – Nemunas island therefore we seek that not only the exhibition but also the building itself would represent Science and Innovations and become the new symbol of Kaunas city. In order to do that we encourage architects from all over the world to take part in this competition.

We would highly appreciate if you could share the information about this design competition for The National Science and Innovation Centre with architects in your country. All design competition documents and other information can be found on competition website <https://competitions.malcolmreading.co.uk/scienceisland/>

Deputy Mayor  
in the capacity of the Mayor of Kaunas City

Povilas Mačiulis