



## **Tabanlıoğlu Architects' 118 East 59th Street Residences project honored at MIPIM Awards competition**

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118 East 59th Street Residences - Manhattan, NY

Manhattan, NY Tabanlıoğlu Architects, a Turkish-based international architecture firm, has been named the recipient of four awards at the 28th annual MIPIM – the international property market held from March 14th to 17th at the Grand Palais in Cannes, France. The Beyazıt State Library was named winner of the Special Jury Award at the annual MIPIM Awards competition. The additional three awards announced at the MIPIM Architectural Review Future Project Awards included Tabanlıoğlu Architects being named overall winner of the AR Future Projects for its residential scheme in New York, 118 East 59th St. Residences, which was also the winner in the Residential category, and the Baksi Husame Koklu Women's Community Center in the Civic and Community category.

"We are pleased to see our firm's projects recognized by the industry's most cultivated influencers at the world's largest property market," said Murat Tabanlıoğlu, founding partner of Tabanlıoğlu Architects.

Melkan Gursel said, "We pride ourselves on creating developments that remain groundbreaking, innovative and exemplify current societal and cultural trends, and it's an honor to receive awards that recognize those attributes."

Recipient of the Special Jury Award at the MIPIM Awards, the Beyazıt State Library located on Beyazıt Square is the oldest and largest library in Istanbul. Tabanlıoğlu Architects meticulously restored the library while maintaining the splendor of its historical significance. The Beyazıt State Library has received a number of major recognitions including the World Architecture Festival Award for the Old and New Category, American Architecture Prize in the Restoration & Renovation Category, as well as the winner in the Public Sector category for the World Interiors News Awards. The library is selected as one of the 40 finalist projects for the 2017 EU Prize for Contemporary Architecture, Mies Van Der Rohe Award.

Tabanlıoğlu Architects was named overall winner for the MIPIM Architectural Review Future Project Awards' residential category for its 118 East 59th Street Residences development. The project is an Upper East Side luxury condominium building in New York City that was designed to create a niche

for the neighborhood's residential market by offering high-end and compact serviced apartments. The building's design features a façade reminiscent of a beehive-like pattern with enlarged modules that provide the apartment units with greater openings to skyline views as the building rises. Baksi Husame Koklu Women's Community Center, winner of the Civic and Community category, is a Bayburt-based community center in Turkey that was designed with the intent to provide resources and support for different generations of women. A unique design element of the project is the steep roof, which is stylistically embedded and divides the overall structure into smaller volumes in harmony with the surrounding environment.

Established in 1991, the MIPIM Awards is an internationally-renowned real estate competition at the annual MIPIM conference. The competition recognizes the most outstanding and accomplished projects, completed or yet to be built, worldwide. MIPIM Awards winners are chosen by a combination of the MIPIM delegates and the international jury, each group representing 50% of the final vote. Now in its 16th year, the MIPIM Architectural Review Future Project Awards honors architectural excellence in unbuilt or incomplete projects around the globe selected across 11 categories.

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