

Architecture is a Strategic Asset Not a Luxury

With a reputation as a trusted partner in the fields of architecture, interior design and technical consulting, A3 Architects is a contemporary voice of Serbia at the highest level of international architectural practice

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Operating from its offices in Belgrade and Prague and with a presence in London, A3 Architects – led by Aleksandar Mitić, Mladen Nastasijević and Mladen Vulević – stands as a rare example of a professional practice that not only works on the global stage, but also actively shapes its standards.

What sets your architectural expression apart, and how has that shaped your global image and positioning?

— Our approach to architecture is rooted in a deep commitment to space as an intellectual construct. We're not driven by formalism, but by strategy. Every project is treated as an opportunity to create a spatial narrative that is intelligent, culturally aware and functionally sustainable. This allows each design to be unique yet recognisable for its conceptual depth, spatial logic, and technical excellence. On the global stage, this has positioned us as authors who do not impose a signature style, but create architecture that communicates essence – enduring, intelligent, and universal. Our portfolio is not a collection of isolated projects but a network of ideas that reinforce our position internationally. Our global image is not the result of marketing, but of trust, carefully built with clients over time.

What draws leading multinationals, fintech giants and startup innovators to A3 Architects?

— We have a deep understanding of rapidly evolving industries: digital platforms, artificial intelligence, decentralised systems of business... but we don't stylise these phenomena – we articulate them architecturally. At the core of everything we do lies understanding. We listen closely to our clients, not only in terms of their programme or requirements, but also through the lens of their broader context: market position, internal structure, cultural values.

Companies from the US and the UK aren't looking for a "nice building" – they need infrastructural architecture that reflects their ambitions, from safety and environmental standards to ESG strategies and spatial flexibility in the era of hybrid work. Our response is always rooted in architectural thinking: we create spaces that anticipate, that are technologically aligned, functionally intelligent and aesthetically discreet yet impactful. That's why clients who are shaping the future choose us – because they understand that architecture, in our case, is an extension of their strategic vision.

How do you maintain relevance in such a competitive global landscape?

— Reputation takes years to build – and only days to lose if focus slips. We maintain that focus through architectural discipline, interdisciplinary thinking and technical precision. Every project is approached with the same standards, whether it's a national pavilion at EXPO, a corporate campus for a global brand, workspace for leading fintech companies, general aviation terminals, or private residences.

In a highly competitive global environment, relevance stems from the ability to design with clarity – but also to ensure that architecture reads across multiple layers. Our practice is founded on a robust methodology: interdisciplinary analysis, conceptual clarity, and uncompromising technical execution. What keeps us at the forefront is not form, but architectural precision – space as a matrix of thought. Our clients recognise this, as does the wider professional community, exemplified by the prestigious Visionary Leadership Award recently presented to me by New York's Global Excellence Assembly.

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