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ARCHITECTURE AS A FORM OF DIALOGUE

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- Nine works of architecture narrated through the words of the clients who desired and built them
- Buildings and architects include Antinori Nel Chianti Classico Winery, Florence Piero Antinori; Viola Park, Florence Rocco Commiso; Hand Production Building, Florence Ferruccio Ferragamo; Air Albania Stadium, Tirana Idajet Ismailaj; Alban Tower, Tirana Alban Xhaferi; Breus Art Center, Tblisi Shalva Breus; Kiss Bridge, Phu Quoc Dang Minh Truong, Hoang Vu Lan; Ecepdi Energy Center, Shanghai Gu Jin; Hope Square Building, Taipei Diana Lin, Stiven Peng

Architecture has the power to condense within itself many different desires that make the built space an organism that lives and changes with us over time, influencing our lives and visions of the world, as well as the lives of the communities that will see it, pass through it and inhabit it in different ways each time.

Travelling and dialoguing with such different and particular clients, between Asia and Europe, not only offers the public a different and unsettling view of Archea's work, but above all, it allows a correct reading of the degrees of complexity that every architectural practice today has to face when moving around the world, on scales and images and places. The words of the clients play, with the world of the Archea studio – one of the Italian studios with more branches and offices in the world than any other, with its working methodology, with its protagonists, with the obsessions that have become identity elements indicative of the maturity of the Florentine studio, founded by Marco Casamonti, Giovanni Polazzi and Laura Andreini, who were joined by Silvia Fabi in 2001, when Archea Associati was born.

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