

# Competition Announcement

## Press Release

On December 23, 2020, the Government of Canada announced the architectural design competition in two stages “**Parliamentary Precinct Redevelopment – Block 2 in Ottawa, Canada**” to select its participating teams.

This competition is endorsed by the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

### Overview

Canada is inviting architects to select the best project and the design team for the Parliamentary Precinct Redevelopment in Ottawa competition. The aim of the competition is selecting the team with the right demonstrated capability to undertake this nationally significant architectural project.

### Promoter

Government of Canada  
represented by the Department of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC)

More information can be found [here](#).

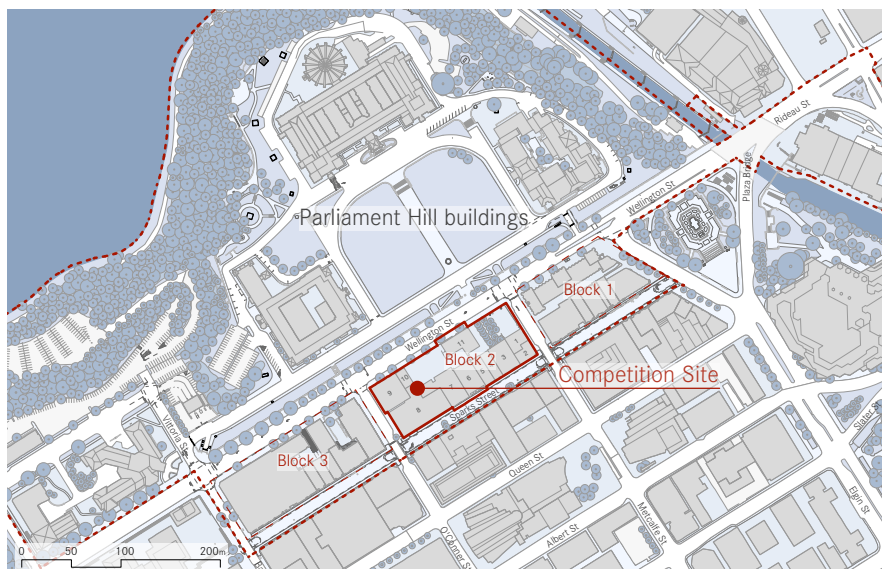
### Task

The goal of the competition is to provide a cohesive design solution and to redevelop the site into an efficient complex of buildings. The new and renovated facilities will provide accommodations for the Senate of Canada and the House of Commons, with branch space for the Library of Parliament, as well as some retail presence on the historically-significant Sparks Street Mall.

The total approximate gross area above ground for the redevelopment (i.e. not including any area developed underground) is estimated at approx. 30,000 sqm.

### Competition Site

Block 2 is bounded by Metcalfe, Wellington, O'Connor and Sparks streets, within Canada's Parliamentary Precinct and has an approximate area of 9,800 sqm and currently consists today of eleven buildings.



## Procedure

The competition, through the Request for Qualification (RFQ), is open to qualified architectural entities and be multi-disciplinary in nature to include (and be limited to) structural and building engineering (mechanical/electrical).

The competition is organized as a limited design competition in accordance with the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) regulations for competitions in Canada. Through a prequalification procedure (the RFQ), a predetermined number of firms (up to 12) will be invited to compete in a Request for Proposal (RFP) structured as a two (2) stage, limited design competition.

### Request for Qualification (RFQ)

- Interested teams of architectural professionals and subconsultants are invited to submit qualifications and demonstrate they meet the requirements to undertake the project.
- Of the teams that have responded, up to **twelve will be invited to participate in the competition.**
- During this step, the independent Jury for the design competition is to be announced.

### Request for Proposal (RFP) (Limited Design Competition)

#### Competition Stage 1

- Selected competitors submit an outline of their design concepts.
- The Jury evaluates the design concepts and creates a shortlist of up to **six competitors to advance to Stage 2 of the competition.**

#### Competition Stage 2

- Shortlisted competitors submit an advanced design concept for their previously submitted work.
- The Jury will then evaluate each design and **select the prize winners.**

## Prizes and Honoraria

- 1st Prize: CAN \$ 220,000
- 2nd Prize: CAN \$ 165,000
- 3rd Prize: CAN \$ 120,000

Expense allowance of \$ 120,000 CAN per participant in the 1st stage and additionally \$ 165,000 CA per participant in the 2nd stage.

## Language of the competition

English and French.

## Application

Teams of architects, landscape architects, building services engineers and structural engineers are invited to apply. A total of seven references are required.

Application deadline is February 16, 2021, 2.00 p.m. EST.

More information can be found [here](#).

## More Information

Competition homepage [phase1.de/parliamentary-precinct-competition](https://phase1.de/parliamentary-precinct-competition)

Government of Canada [www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](https://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca)

Public Works and Government Services Canada [buyandsell.gc.ca](https://buyandsell.gc.ca)

Royal Architectural Institute of Canada [raic.org](https://raic.org)