



Laura Cristea studied architecture at UAUIM in Bucharest and graduated in 2016 from The Oslo School of Architecture. She was a guest lecturer at PBSA Düsseldorf in 2024, and previously worked as a teaching assistant at AHO Oslo, EPF Lausanne, ETH Zurich, and UAUIM in Bucharest. Laura has also been invited for various lectures and critiques at University of Mendrisio and Xiamen University, among others.

Together with Swiss architect Raphael Zuber she co-founded Pelinu Books, an independent publishing house, and **Pelinu Projects**, a company based in Romania, through which they aim to develop a series of experimental projects as both architects and clients. She is currently supervising the construction of the first one, House at The Black Sea, featured in a recent issue of AMAG Magazine.

Other important works include the **lakeshore development of the six Colentina lakes** in Bucharest (1st place awarded competition 2024 together with Raphael Zuber and Beros Abdul Architects, under design), **the first inclusive mountain camp for children** in Romania (1st place awarded competition 2023, under design), **Inverted House** as part of a team from The Oslo School of Architecture (built 2016 in Japan and widely published), as well as participation in numerous awarded competitions in both Romania and Switzerland, like the 2nd prize award for the **complex design of the beaches in Mamaia** resort in 2023.

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EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATION

- 2016 Architect, member of The Romanian Order of Architects
- 2013 / 16 Master in Architecture, The Oslo School of Architecture and Design (AHO)
- 2009 / 13 Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urbanism (UAUIM), Bucharest

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2024 Peter Behrens School of Architecture, Dusseldorf (PBSA), invited guest lecturer
- 2020 / 21 Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urbanism (UAUIM), studio Andrei Șerbescu, teaching assistant
- 2017 / 18 Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich (ETHZ), studio Raphael Zuber, teaching assistant
- 2016 Ecole polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL), studio Raphael Zuber, teaching assistant
- 2015 The Oslo School of Architecture and Design (AHO), studio Raphael Zuber, teaching assistant

WORKING EXPERIENCE

- 2019 – pr. Co-founder and lead architect of Pelinu Projects, co-founder of Pelinu Books
- 2016 / 19 Architect at Raphael Zuber, Architekt, in Chur, Switzerland, responsible for design and competitions
- 2015 / 16 Building coordination and design for Inverted House, Hokkaido, Japan, with AHO Team and Kengo Kuma and Associates
- 2008 / 14 Various internship programs: Kritt Arkitekter, SYAA, ADNBA, Dasein Arhitectură Urbană

SELECTED PUBLICATION AND EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 Tallinn Architecture Biennale: exhibition *Space of Earth*, with Raphael Zuber
- 2023 AMAG 29 Magazine: publication of *House at the Black Sea*
- 2020 Mazzocho Architectural Journal #6: written contribution *Is the schoolyard needful anymore?*
- 2019 CARTHA – ON THE FORM OF FORM, publication by Park Books 2019: proposal *City of common space*, with Raphael Zuber
- 2018 World Architecture 2018 02 / 332: publication of *Inverted House*
- 2017 The Architectural Review Magazine, July/August 2017: *Inside Outting: Inverted House, Japan, by Oslo School of Architecture and Design + Kengo Kuma*, article by Danielle Demetriou
- 2016 Zeppelin Magazine #143: article *Living within nature. Inverted House, Hokkaido*
A+U Magazine 16:04: publication of *Inverted House*
Shinkenchiku 16:04: publication of *Inverted House*
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SELECTED WORKS



LIVING WATERS: ecological restoration and lakeshore development of the six Colentina lakes

Location: Sector 2, Bucharest, Romania
Client: Municipality of Sector 2
Status: 1st prize competition 2024, under design
Team: Pelinu Projects and Beros Abdul Architects



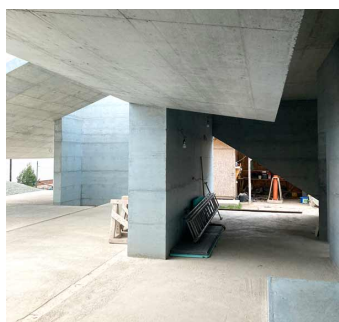
IN-BETWEEN TWO WATERS: complex design of the beaches in Mamaia resort

Location: Mamaia, Constanța, Romania
Client: Municipality of Mamaia
Status: 2nd prize competition 2023
Team: Pelinu Projects and Beros Abdul Architects



HELP CAMPUS: inclusive mountain camp for children

Location: Câmpu lui Neag, Hunedoara, Romania
Client: Asociația Help Autism
Status: 1st prize competition 2023, under design
Team: Pelinu Projects



HOUSE AT THE BLACK SEA

Location: Corbu, Constanța, Romania
Client: private
Status: nearing completion 2025
Team: Pelinu Projects



INVERTED HOUSE

Location: Taiki-cho, Hokkaido, Japan
Client: Lixil Foundation
Status: built 2015-2016
Team: Oslo School of Architecture, Kengo Kuma and Associates