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## Featured articles and news

### This week's featured article - London Serpentine Pavilion



The 16th Annual Serpentine Pavilion is revealed - an undulating, 'unzipped' wall designed by Danish architects BIG.

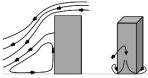
### External fire spread

New BRE Information paper provides supplementary guidance to BR 187, incorporating probabilistic and time-based approaches.



### Wind and tall buildings

Guidance note about designing temporary structures adjacent to tall buildings.



### Oil - a global perspective

Informative guidance by ICE about oil and the global perspective.



### Grant Smith - In profile

Designing Buildings Wiki interviewed internationally-acclaimed architectural photographer Grant Smith about his career-to-date.



### Unusual building of the week

One of the most striking examples of Communist architecture, the former Ministry of Transportation in Georgia.



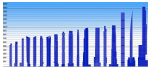
### Wikkelhous

Dutch manufacturers launch modular building system made out of cardboard.



### Super-slender

A new online tool reveals the growing trend for super-slender towers in New York.



### Latest population projections

Office for National Statistics publish the latest population projections.



### Building of the week - Roman Colosseum



The largest amphitheatre ever built and one of the greatest architectural achievements of the Roman empire.

## Around the web

### Dezeen, 9 June

Leading British modernist architect Michael Manser dies aged 87.

### FMB, 9 June

Scottish apprenticeships endangered by levy uncertainty.

### CIRIA, 9 June

Climate change adaptation costs set to soar on Britain's railways.

### The Guardian, 8 June

Are developers threatening the industrial 'heritage' of Manchester?

### BSRIA, 7 June

BSRIA ask whether smart meters still make sense following disappointing public uptake.

### Uandl, 7 June

Uandl help launch the 2016 London Festival of Architecture.

### CIOB, 7 June

Winner of CIOB's Minecraft 'House of the Future' competition announced.

### Construction Index, 6 June

Research shows how the choice of asphalt can help reduce carbon emissions.

### Uandl, 3 June

Archaeology's role in preserving the uniqueness of places and communities.

### RICS, 3 June

Can rural estates be encouraged to release land for affordable housing?

### Construction Manager, 3 June

London is the third most expensive city in the world to build in.