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[Dezeen, 20 January](#)

17 architecture projects that aim to transform Rotterdam into the 'city of the future'.

[Construction Manager, 19 January](#)

Rogers, Stirk, Harbour & Partners and YNCA propose 7 more Y-Cube developments.

[ArchDaily, 19 January](#)

The thoughts of 50 architects on what they are most looking forward to in architecture during 2016.

[CNN, 18 January](#)

9 new buildings set to define cities in 2016, from Rem Koolhaas' Taipei Performing Arts Center to Herzog and de Meuron's Tate Modern extension.

[Savills, 11 January](#)

New report Completing London's Streets is published, looking at how housing estate regeneration and intensification could increase London's housing supply.

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