

# News Release Deputy Premier John Rau

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## Designs from around the world submitted for RAH competition

126 design ideas from around the world have been received for the Royal Adelaide Hospital (RAH) Open Ideas Competition, which now moves into its next phase.

Deputy Premier John Rau said the response to the competition, the first of its kind in South Australia, has exceeded all expectations.

“Design teams from 48 countries registered their interest in the competition and we have now received submissions from dozens of local architects, as well as those from interstate and abroad,” Mr Rau said.

“Of the 126 design submissions, 71 were from Australia and 29 of these were from South Australia.

“The old RAH site presents an enormous opportunity for our city and its redevelopment will help ensure the East End, the cultural heart of our city, remains a great place to live, work and enjoy for future generations.”

From September 13<sup>th</sup>, South Australians will be able to view all of the submissions either online or at a free public exhibition. At the same time, an independent jury will announce a final six shortlisted designs.

Feedback from the public and input from key groups involved in the site will then be used by the shortlisted design teams to refine their proposals which will be unveiled in November for final consideration. In December, the jury selected winners of the \$900,000 in fees and prize money as well as the People’s Choice awards will be announced.

South Australian Government Architect Ben Hewett said that design competitions are a great way to involve the community in the design process.

“Design competitions have been proven to be successful interstate and overseas as they surface the biggest and best range of ideas,” Mr Hewett said.

“Members of the public are also getting involved and are putting their ideas forward for the site, which includes a number of cultural, educational and open space suggestions.”

South Australians are also being invited to submit their story of why the RAH has been significant in their lives this Saturday from 1pm at the State Library of SA. There will be guest speakers and all-ages activities at the free-admission Open Ideas Marketplace event.

Further information on how to get involved is available at: [www.odasa.sa.gov.au/rahsite](http://www.odasa.sa.gov.au/rahsite).

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