

# Rem Koolhaas Founder of OMA, Architect and Urbanist



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Rem Koolhaas is a Dutch architect, architectural theorist, urbanist and Professor in the Practice of Architecture and Urban Design at the Graduate School of Design at Harvard University, USA. Koolhaas is the founding partner of OMA and AMO a think tank focused on social, economic and technological issues.

"Rem Koolhaas is that rare combination of visionary and implementer - philosopher and pragmatist - theorist and prophet

#### In detail

Mr Koolhaas first studied scriptwriting at the Dutch Film Academy, and was then a journalist for the Haagse Post before starting studies, in 1968, in architecture at the Architectural Association School of Architecture in London, followed, in 1972, by further studies at Cornell University in New York. He has won several International Awards including the Pritzker Architecture Prize in 2000, the Royal Gold Medal in 2004 and the Golden Lion for Lifetime Achievement at the 2010 Venice Biennale. In 2005 he co-founded Volume Magazine and in 2008, Time put him in their top 100 of The World's Most Influential People.

# What he offers you

In his presentations Rem examines the relationship between built structures, human behaviour, commerce and culture. He offers a truly unique perspective which focuses on changing urban conditions around the world and the role of retail and consumption in contemporary society.

## How he presents

A charming and unassuming speaker, Rem's highly informative presentations are enthusiastically delivered.

## **Topics**

Architecture and Urbanism

Urban Design

Human Behaviour

Cultural, Social and Technological Issues

# Languages

He presents in English or Dutch.

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#### How to book him?

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# **Publications**

2011

Junkspace

2006

The Gulf

2006

Generic City

2004

Content

2003

Wired

2002

Informal