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Kettle Collective wins the 2016 Queen's Award for Enterprise

Kettle Collective Limited, a UK based, multi award winning international Architect has won Britain's most coveted business award from Her Majesty the Queen, The Queen's Awards for Enterprise in International Trade 2016, announced today on the Queen's 90th birthday, on the back of soaring International trade.

The Queen's Award is awarded for "outstanding achievement resulting in substantial growth, sustained over a minimum period of 3 years or more".

Kettle Collective was founded just over 3 years ago in Edinburgh by Tony Kettle and Colin Bone and now has studios in Edinburgh and Dubai with a headcount of around 35 and has local partners in Moscow, St Petersburg, Oman, Saudi Arabia and Beirut.

Kettle Collective is working on a number of high profile projects in the UK, Russia and across the Middle East, with currently over 90% of their work coming from overseas. They have recently completed the concept design of the last phase for the Lakhta Centre in St Petersburg, the new HQ for the Russian energy giant Gazprom which includes a 462m high tower, which will be Europe's tallest tower when complete in 2018.

In the Middle East they have designed 4 museums for the Saudi Royal Commission and are currently on site with their award winning Solar Innovation Centre for DEWA (Dubai Electricity and Water Authority), an exhibition space in Dubai celebrating the sun; which won Best Future Leisure and Tourism Building in Middle East at Dubai Cityscape Awards, The Most Sustainable Building in the Middle East at the Middle East Architecture Awards and the Architecture Prize at the Royal Scottish Academy in 2014.

They are working extensively for a major MENA (Middle East North Africa) region developer Majid Al Futtaim, and recently won the Best Future Residential Building at Dubai Cityscape for 'The Piers', a high-end residential development within the Al Mouj development in Muscat, Oman.

Managing Director, Colin Bone said "Tony and I set out in late 2012 to create a boutique design studio providing Clients with "best-in-class" design and are delighted to have won this award from Her Majesty The Queen as recognition of our team's dedication and hard work over the last 3 years. We are very fortunate to have such a great team in Edinburgh and Dubai and great Clients who both challenge us but also give us the space and support to design such innovative and creative projects."

The award will be presented to Tony Kettle and Colin Bone at a reception at Buckingham Palace, on Thursday 14th July 2016 by Her Majesty The Queen.

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Notes for Editors:

Tony Kettle and Colin Bone worked together previously at RMJM.
Tony Kettle was International Design Principal and Colin Bone was Managing Principal.

They set up Kettle Collective in October 2012 and now have a team of around 35 in the UK and Dubai. In Dubai Kettle Collective have a studio at the Dubai Design District (D3).

Tony Kettle previously designed the Falkirk Wheel, which is on the Scottish money and the new British Passport. He also worked with Enric Miralles on the Scottish Parliament whilst at RMJM.

In the UK Kettle Collective have designed the Ripple Retreat (pro bono) a purpose built house on the southern bank of Loch Venachar in Scotland, for children and their families affected by cancer as a somewhere very memorable to visit as a family and as an escape from the challenges of their illness. The project is due to be completed later this year.

Kettle Collective Regional Director MENA (Middle East North Africa) Tony Archibold, was the project Director on 'Capital Gate' in Abu Dhabi, which holds the Guinness World Record for: "The farthest manmade leaning building, which has an inclination of 18 degrees and is 160 m (524.93 ft) high."

Lakhta Centre in St Petersburg, Russia holds the Guinness World Record for: "The largest continuous concrete pour is 19,624.0 m³ (25,667.22 yd³), achieved during the pouring of the foundation for the Lakhta Center Multifunctional Complex (Russia) in Saint Petersburg, Russia, on 27 February-1 March 2015."

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