Additional information on the academic year 2017/18 at laba:

ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTS, PORTUGAL

**Duration of atelier:** 2 semesters. laba offers a year long course dedicated to one subject matter. The inscription can only occur in the fall semester. The inscription will be limited to 25 students.

**Content:** The first semester investigates the topic at a territorial scale with an interdisciplinary approach. During the second semester students propose their own architectural projects based on the strategic masterplan carried out in the first semester. This procedure can be seen as a dress rehearsal for the master thesis project.

**Project theme** 2017/18 Environmental Objects: Dwelling on Portugal, the Housing Question

**Project site** Portugal.

**Field trip:** The field trip will take place in Portugal, in December 2017, during 7 days, at the end of the first semester. The costs are within the prescribed amount defined by the SAR: 350CHF per semester, so a total of 700CHF for the whole academic year.

**Atelier location:** laba (laboratoire Bâle) is located in the old city centre of Basel at the Ackermannshof, and at the EPFL Lausanne. All classes and reviews will be held at the EPFL in Lausanne.

**Atelier spaces:** Students have atelier spaces at the EPFL.

**Teaching assistants:** Karolina Slawecka and Augustin Clément.

**Group work:** Students will work in groups of five in the first semester, while dealing with the territorial scale. During the second semester architectural projects are developed individually.

**Language:** the official atelier language is English. Presentations can also be held in French. Table critiques can occur in English, French or German.