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2007 has been a year full of good things for us, from the VMX Agenda in January to W.G. Witteveen en Rotterdam, which was published last week. No less than forty OIO books rolled off the presses this year, a record for us. Whether it will be equalled or beaten next year is impossible to say. What is certain, apart from the appearance this spring of the fourth edition of our Dutch-language OIO Journal, is that OIO Publishers will be celebrating its first 25 years in April! We hope that 2008 will be a stimulating and satisfying year for you too. And may your book budget be a big one!

NEW: TITUS MATIYANE

Titus Matiyane draws towns and landscapes; his longest work measures a cool 46.5 metres! Living and working in a township near Pretoria, he started drawing aerial panoramas of the local surroundings although he had never been in an aeroplane. These days, he does fly now and then to other parts of the world thanks to his drawings. It is by closely studying what he sees from the car, taxi or other means of transport that he is able to produce large-format drawings of such places as London, Hong Kong and Rotterdam-Amsterdam. But these should be seen, rather than read about here.

Exhibition: 'Titus Matiyane. Cities of the World', Delft University of Technology, Faculty of Architecture, December 6th, 2007-January 25th, 2008.

* Titus Matiyane. Cities of the World / Annemieke de Kler (ed.) / design Joost Grootens / English / ISBN 978 90 6450 640 6 / 19.50 euros
<http://www.oiopublishers.nl/catalogue/book.php?id=640>

SERIES: NEDERLANDSE STEDEBOUWKUNDIGEN

The first three in this series of monographs on Dutch town planners feature S.J. van Embden, Jos Klijnen and J.M. de Casseres, in Dutch with an English summary. To mark the publication of the fourth in the series, on Rotterdam town planner W.G. Witteveen (no summary this time), we are offering the Klijnen and de Casseres monographs for 15 euros each. Unfortunately the van Embden is no longer available from us, but it can be bought on the internet (for upward of 110 dollars) if you wish to make the series complete.

For the Klijnen and de Casseres monographs and other bargains go to <http://www.oiopublishers.nl/catalogue/special.php>



* W.G. Witteveen en Rotterdam / Noor Mens / design Marianne Elbers / Dutch / ISBN 978 90 6450 612 3 / 45.00 euros
<http://www.010publishers.nl/catalogue/book.php?id=612>

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