It's a good thing it's Friday...you may need the weekend to get through all the news: Muschamp, Kamin, and feng shui experts give their takes on the WTC plans. Censorship raises its head for the World Congress of Architecture in Berlin next week. Airport architecture and anxiety take their toll. The Baltic continues to draw attention to (and hope for?) the revival of Britain's post-industrial northeast. It looks like Ellerbe Becket succeeded in finding local partners - and winning the bid to design Charlotte's new arena. Urban housing issues are heating up all over. There's advice for starting a career in architecture, and a study that shows it's a sector in a downward slide. For your weekend amusement, there's a review of "Sunshine State" that might be worth the price of admission...and much more.

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