Australian courts will decide "whether exploitative property speculation carries similar climate responsibility to exploitative coalmining," and Farrelly asks: "If not, why not?" — More Pritzker patter: Rogers minces no words. — 18 projects garner GSA Design Excellence Awards. — A shortlist of "architectural powerhouses" for new Miami Science Museum. — Boddy disappointed in Vancouver's Olympic Village plans that have been "bled of verve." — The "octopus" design for Czech library demonstrates "Modernism's flatulence." — Are new rules in L.A. "finicky restrictions on architectural freedom?" — It's Ando vs. Hadid as Pinault and Guggenheim vie for Venice site. — A movement underway to save Moscow's Shukhov towers. — No more "grotty Chelsea" as high-end developments line up along the High Line (designed by "a ridiculously well-muscled list of architects"). — Rybczynski has an interesting take on Foster's $16 million yacht. — 7 New Wonders of the World that are worth the trip. — Call for entries: World Habitat Awards for practical and innovative housing. — We couldn't resist: Berlin built of Legos (and pix to prove it).
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