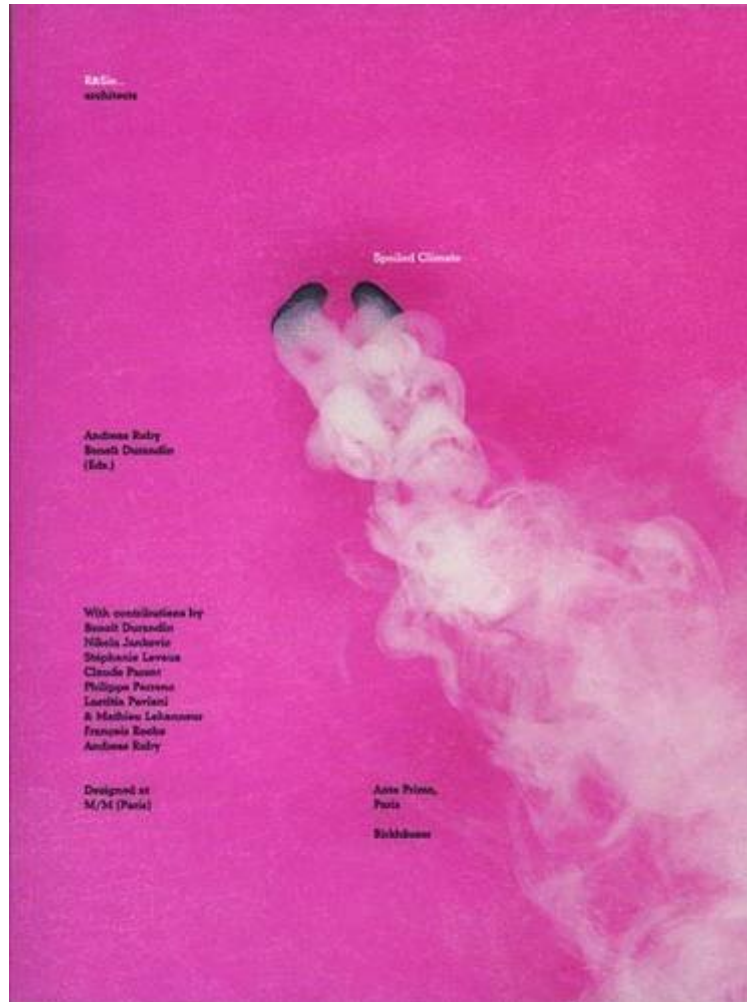


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a name for himself internationally as a pioneer of a new architecture through his lecture activities and his participation in many exhibitions. This monograph is the first complete overview of his work and will be published to coincide with the exhibition "No Standard Architecture" which opens in November at the Centre Pompidou in Paris, where R Sie...architects are one of the 12 invited architectural firms.

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