From the editors

We are very proud to be able to publish a special issue of the Nordic Journal of Architectural Research on Architecturology, containing articles and papers by professor Philippe Boudon and his colleagues. The selection of articles has been made by Philippe Boudon and us. We hope that this issue will give a much wanted input to the discussion of what architectural research is, and what it ought to be.

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"The horse is far away", Manne Lodmark.