



ARCHITECTURE, CONSTRUCTION, CLIMATE ARCHITECTS' COMMITMENT

As the world's national governments are preparing for COP21, the international climate treaty negotiations taking place later this year, the UIA is working with national and regional architecture organisations to further its actions encouraging the reduction of CO2 emissions in building and planning projects and preparing a programme on these issues.

This year's World Architecture Day, to be celebrated on 5 October, will be a part of the climate programme with its theme: Architecture, Construction, Climate. The UIA invites its members, working bodies, and partners to help develop an Internet platform to publicise and promote actions, practices, and solutions that illustrate the huge potential architecture and urban planning have in the struggle against global climate change.

A joint conference of UIA, ACE, and their members, in partnership with the *Cité de l'architecture* in Paris is scheduled on 30 November 2015 on the theme: Architects and Climate Change. UIA President Esa Mohamed of Malaysia will lead a delegation of professionals at the COP21 conference from 30 November to 10 December.

Read the UIA 2050 Imperatives declaration:
http://www.uia.archi/sites/default/files/EN_Declaration_Durban.pdf

KOREAN ARCHITECTS' SUPPORT TO NEPAL

In response to UIA President Esa Mohamed's call for solidarity following the recent Nepal earthquake, Korean architects banded together under the guidance of KIRA (the Korean Institute of Registered Architects) and its president CHO Chung Kee to raise 21,025 US\$ in financial aid. This amount was transferred to the Society of Nepalese Architects (SONA) to support the Nepalese people and aid in the reconstruction of affected areas.

The UIA president applauded this rush of solidarity among colleagues within the international architectural community.

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The Spanish team Grupo Aranea, wins the 2015 Barbara Cappochin Prize for El Valle Trenzado. >> p.6

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UIA REGION III KEY POINTS IN REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

While Peru, which renewed its UIA membership at the Durban general assembly last August, prepares to host the UIA Council in Lima and Carral this coming November, initiatives are multiplying across UIA Region III under the leadership of its vice president, Carlos Alvarez of Costa Rica.

During a Region III online meeting on 21 May 2015, Carlos Alvarez drew up a summary of actions undertaken in countries across the Americas in collaboration with several member sections and FPAA.

The UIA Council members in Region III have been working to increase the number of UIA member countries in the Americas, and this mission was discussed in depth during a Region III councillors meeting in Atlanta, in parallel to the American Institute of Architects (AIA) national convention. Proposed solutions that would allow several countries to return to the UIA, mostly focusing on financial arrangements, will be presented to the next UIA Council meeting.

The councillors also discussed regional participation in the UIA working bodies. Costa Rican architect Carolina Pizzaro announced the creation of a regional Architecture and children work programme: ANDA, involving 13 countries. Carlos Alvarez asked each country in the region to identify 10 important, 20th-century buildings that influenced the Modern Movement, in order to compile a publication on this theme. He further indicated his intention to create a Latin American team within the UIA Professional Practice commission and another dedicated to educational and training questions to be led by Costa Rican architect Patricia Mora. A continuing professional development platform is being developed and will include online courses and conferences as well as individual training credits.

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EDWARD MAZRIA 2015 KEMPER PRIZE WINNER

Architecture 2030 founder Edward Mazria was awarded the AIA's Edward Kemper Prize for 2015. With this award the American Institute of Architects honoured Mazria "for catalyzing the architecture community to address climate change through the design of decarbonized, sustainable, and resilient built environments."

Author, researcher, and professor, Edward Mazria is among the pioneers of eco-responsible building. Mazria founded Architecture 2030 in 2006, and issued a measured, achievable challenge to reduce fossil fuel consumption in new buildings. Mazria also presented the "Roadmap to Zero Emissions" to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), which details a clear path, with incremental steps and specific methods leading to a zero emissions built environment by 2050.

Architecture 2030 supports the '2050 Imperatives' declaration signed by the UIA and its partners in Durban. Edward Mazria will participate in the conference organised by the UIA in Paris, on 30 November 2015, as part of COP21.

Learn more about Edward Mazria:

<http://architecture2030.org/about/leadership/>





IRISH ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

The Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland (RIAI) released the results of its Irish Architecture Awards. The Public Choice Award went to the St. Mel's Cathedral restoration project by Fitzgerald Kavanagh + Partners, second place to The Lake House by Aughey O'Flaherty Architects and third place to the dlr Lexicon by Carr Cotter & Naessens Architects.

A jury also discerned 17 awards and a number of commendations in several categories.

See all the winning projects on the RIAI website:

http://www.riai.ie/news/article/the_winners_of_the_2015_irish_architecture_awards1



ARCHITECTURE BIENNIAL KRAKOW

This year's international architecture biennial in Krakow will focus on the human dimension of urban space, and in its broadest perspective on accessibility for all users. Organised by the Association of Polish Architects (SARP), Krakow branch, it will take place on 15 & 16 October 2015. The keynote address will be delivered by Danish architect Jan Gehl, an expert known for his dexterity in creating human-friendly urban public spaces.

UIA Region II will hold a meeting in conjunction with the biennial, on 15 October.

Learn more:

<http://www.mba2015.sarp.krakow.pl>



Krakow Convention Centre
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PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE FUTURE COSTA RICA

On 27 - 30 May 2015, the College of Architects of Costa Rica (CACR) hosted the third edition in a series of annual events on architecture and planning organised jointly by architects, public authorities, and universities in Costa Rica. This most recent event brought together well-known architects from the Americas and Europe to discuss the theme of public infrastructure according to five key factors related to the quality of life: mobility, accessibility, landscapes, culture, and the economy.

Examples of infrastructure development in the cities of Barcelona, Bogotá, Medellín, and Rio de Janeiro were presented by Spanish architect Jordi Henrich, Colombian architects Daniel Bonilla, Wilson Castellanos and Diego Sierra, Brazilian architect Luis Fernando Valverde, Mexican architect Eva Leticia Ortiz, and American architect Robert Peck, along with Costa Rican architects Edgar Brenes, Alberto Linner, and Álvaro Rojas.

The CACR presented the government of the Republic of Costa Rica with a "Country Declaration" summarising the conclusions of these debates.

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100 ARCHITECTS OF THE YEAR 2015

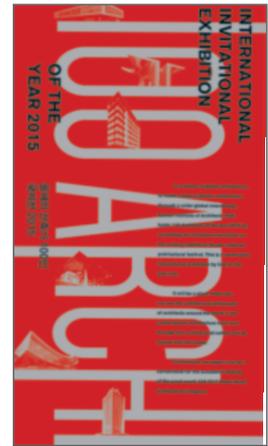
The Korean Institute of Architects (KIA) is organising an international architecture exhibition on 21 - 25 October 2015, in Seoul, as part of events leading up to the UIA Seoul congress 2017.

Architects from around the world are invited to submit their realisations for an exhibition entitled '100 Architects of the Year 2015'. Projects must be submitted online from 4 - 21 September 2015. The registration deadline is 18 September. Any architect who is a member of one of the UIA member sections is invited to participate.

http://kia.homesite.kr/sub/competition/competition_264.asp

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UIA ENDORSES ARCHMARATHON

ARCHMARATHON, organised by the Federation of Lebanese Engineers, is an innovative international event based on an unprecedented concept: an interactive platform bringing together various actors in the architecture and construction fields alongside investors and promoters.

ARCHMARATHON 2015 will take place in Beirut, Lebanon, on 8, 9 & 10 October. Forty-two prestigious architectural teams from the Arab world and Mediterranean region will be selected to present their recent work to an audience of building professionals, professors and students of architecture, promoters and real-estate professionals. An international jury will discern various prizes to the realisations on display. Frédéric Ragot, UIA Council member and president of CIAF will represent UIA on this jury.

Learn more:

<http://www.archmarathon.com/magma-architecture/>



UIA SUPPORTS THE MASPERO TRIANGLE COMPETITION IN CAIRO

The Egyptian Ministry for Urban Renewal and Informal Settlements (MURIS) and the Cairo Governorate are organising an international competition by invitation to design a master plan for the Maspero Triangle, a 35 ha land in central Cairo that homes over 14,000 residents.

The goal of the competition is to develop a model urban planning concept that encourages mixity in the community, preserves heritage, protects the environment, and does not inspire a gentrification that would strip inhabitants of their diversities.

This pilot project should serve as a guide for other developments in Cairo.

Learn more:

<http://www.uia.archi/en/participer/concours/9788#VcviskXV6r8>





JANE DUNCAN RIBA PRESIDENT

Jane Duncan will become president of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA). She will take office on 1st September 2015, for a period of two years and will succeed Stephen Hodder.

She heads her own studio, Jane Duncan Architects, in Buckinghamshire since 1992 and designs housing units as well as sports, commercial, and community facilities.

Following her election, Jane Duncan reiterated her plans as RIBA president: «She pledged to follow her campaign goals of restoring pride in the profession, pushing for commensurate pay, and encouraging diversity within the profession».

Learn more:

<http://www.architecture.com>



KWANG WOO KIM FIKA PRESIDENT

Kwan Woo Kim recently became the president of the Federation of Institutes of Korean Architects (FIKA). A graduate of the University of Seoul, with a PhD from the University of Michigan, he was a professor at the University of Soongil and currently teaches in the Architecture and Engineering Department at Seoul National University.

Professor Kim specialises in eco-friendly construction and environments, the design of low-energy-consumption buildings, and systems and technologies for improving building performance.

Kwan Woo Kim succeeds Jongh Ruhl Hahnas President of FIKA.

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DIVYA KUSH IIA PRESIDENT

A graduate of the University of Roorkee, Divya Kush worked with icons of Indian architecture Shri Raj Kumar Sahu and Raj Rewal before opening his own studio in Delhi in 1982. He has realised prestigious institutional buildings as well as residential, sports, and cultural complexes while also devoting time to teaching at the Chandigarh College of Architecture and other Indian universities. He succeeds Prakash S. Deshmukh - UIA Council member - as IIA President.

Divya Kush chaired ARCASIA's architectural education board and is currently an alternate member of the UIA Council.

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2015 BARBARA CAPPOCHIN PRIZE WINNERS SPANISH TEAM "GRUPO ARANEA"

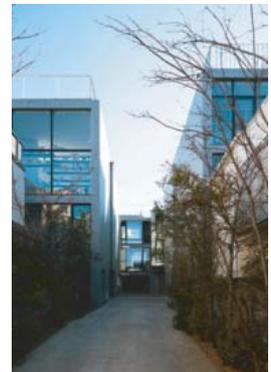
The Spanish team made up of Francisco Leiva Ivorra, Marta Garcia Chico, Antoni Baile Jiménez and Prócoro del Real Baeza - Grupo Aranea, was awarded the 2015 Barbara Cappochin Prize for their landscape/planning project *El Valle Trenzado*, at Elche Ravine in Spain. The project composes a system of footbridges integrated into the landscape, which transform the steep slopes of ravine's geography into an accessible public space that integrates both the river and the city park. According to the jury, *El Valle Trenzado* resolves the contemporary city's environmental problems with a brave sketch.

A special jury mention was awarded to Giancarlo Artese ('Studio Made in Earth', Italy) for Rana House, a residence for HIV positive children in India. Other mentions were awarded to the urban requalification project in Mestre by architects Paolo Miotto and Mauro Sarti; to Samuel Delmas for a daycare centre in Asnières sur Seine, France; and to Ahiara Madoka for a residential complex in Tokyo, Japan.

Organised every two years since 2005, the Barbara Cappochin Prize aims to highlight architecture's vital role in the evolution of our landscape. It focuses on the urban periphery and the use of bio-architecture, energy efficiency, and sustainable urban planning.

The prize is organised by the Barbara Cappochin Foundation and the Order of Architects, Urban Planners, Landscape Architects, and Conservationists of Padua province. The International Union of Architects has supported the prize since its creation. UIA was represented on the jury for this edition by Ms. Yolanda David Reyes, UIA vice-president.

Learn more about the Barbara Cappochin Prize:
http://en.bcbiennial.info/the-prize_2754626.html



UIA PUBLIC HEALTH GROUP SEMINAR IN CHINA

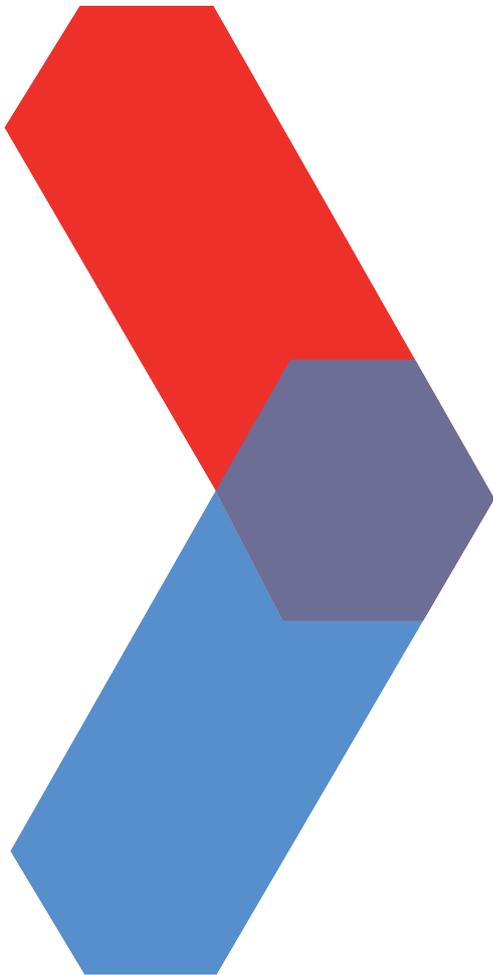
The UIA-PHG members meet in Dalian, China on May 23-24, on the theme "Health for All: Cultural, Populational, Operational and Technological Influences". Seventy people attended the seminar.

The opening speech by the PHG Director Warren Kerr introduced the mission, history, network, membership and achievement of UIA-PHG and welcomed the seminar participants and speakers, representing 16 countries, including architects, planners, researchers, educators, hospital administrators and students. The keynote speech, delivered by Dr. Wynn Huey-Wen Yien—the Secretary General of Taiwan Society of Critical Care Medicine—focused on how to promote better user experience from a physician's perspectives.

The Global University Program in Healthcare Architecture (GUPHA) a UIA-PHG subgroup, held a meeting in conjunction with the PHG seminar. Fourteen speakers, who represented thirteen universities and nine countries, shared the information and experience about architecture for health education. Results of the 2015 UIA-PHG International Student Competition were announced. The jurors finally selected the top-5 places winners and 9 honourable mentions on May 24. The first-place winners were two graduate students from Clemson University, advised by Professor David Allison.

Student competition results on the UIA-PHG website
<http://www.uia-phg.org/#!results/c1bbc>





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