

PROFESSION



**Atocha Station,
Madrid, Spain,
Rafael Moneo
architect, UIA Gold
Medal 1996 - Pritzker
Prize 1996**

UIA SUPPORT FOR SPAIN'S ARCHITECTS

The Superior Council of Colleges of Spanish Architects (CSCAE) alerted the UIA about a bill introduced by the Spanish Minister of the Economy and Competition which suggests **enlarging legal competency for architectural design and realisation to other professions**, in particular engineers. Professional organisations of architects as well as teachers and students of architecture in Spain were outraged at this initiative, that has been widely discussed throughout the country. UIA President **Albert Dubler** stated his support for the CSCAE position and expressed the world community of architect's concern over this proposition that threatens the foundations of our profession and contravenes Spanish laws on architecture - *Ley de ordenación de la edificación* - and the European Union directive on professional qualifications. The UIA vice-president for Western Europe, **Antonio Rivero**, also supported the UIA Spanish Section in this fight, along with the president of the Architects' Council Europe, **Selma Harrington**.

<http://www.cscae.com>

UIA BUREAU

**UIA BUREAU MEETING IN KHARTOUM**

The UIA Bureau members held their recent meeting in Khartoum, on 30 & 31 January 2013, hosted by the **Governor of the State of Khartoum, the Minister of Human Development, Antiquities and Tourism** and the **UIA Vice-President for Africa, Hayder Ali**. Amongst the themes tabled were the translation and diffusion of the standards for sustainable construction in tropical areas RESET; the UIA strategy for responsible architecture; the organisation of the UIA congress Durban 2014.

A continuing education workshop was organised immediately following this meeting, on 2nd & 3rd February, by Hayder Ali and Fabian Llisterri. The theme: "the role of architects and engineers in the development of towns" is in line with the UN-Habitat world urban campaign. It brought together experts from the five UIA regions.

<http://www.uia-architectes.org/en/s-informer/nouvelles/7316#.URlt3RzO5gg>

INTERNATIONAL
COMPETITIONS**EUZEN ARCHITECTURE WINS PRIZE FOR BIOCLIMATIC SCHOOL IN CRETE**

The Greek team "EuZen architecture" led by **Theodora Kyriafini** and **Fotini Lymeriadou** were awarded first prize in the international competition to design a bioclimatic school in Voutes, Crete. The jury chose their project from among the 134 submitted for consideration.

Based on a succession of patios where natural shade and ventilation assure a comfortable temperature, the concept marries traditional building techniques from the region, such as the use of rough stone, rammed earth and timber frameworks, with modern technologies to respond to today's needs.

More information

<http://www.uia-architectes.org/en/s-informer/concours/6957#.UQh6z0pxeGM>

CANADA

FOUR ARCHITECTS ENTER THE ORDER OF CANADA

Brigitte Shim and **A. Howard Sutcliffe**, architects in Toronto, and **James K. M. Cheng**, architect in Vancouver, were appointed to membership in the Order of Canada alongside their colleague and architectural historian **Harold Kalman**. This distinction recognizes a lifetime of outstanding achievement, dedication to community and service to the nation.

Brigitte Shim and A. Howard Sutcliffe were recognised “for their contributions as architects designing sophisticated structures that represent the best in Canadian design to the world”; James K. M. Cheng for his contribution to creating the architectural style known as “Vancouverism.”; and Harold Kalman for his contributions to the preservation of Canada’s built heritage.

More information

<http://dconl.com/article/id53517/~four-architects-receive-order-of-canada>

CANADA

IN MEMORIAM KIYOSHI MATSUZAKI

Architecture Canada-RAIC informs us of the passing of architect Kiyoshi Matsuzaki, who served as president of the institute from 2007 to 2009. For several decades he was dedicated to working in favour of Architecture Canada and Canadian architects through his engagement with young architects to renew the profession and support architectural diversity throughout the country. Before founding his own studio in Vancouver, Kiyoshi Matsuzaki worked with Kevin Roche and Arthur Erikson.

The UIA sends its most sincere condolences to his family and colleagues.

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USA

AIA HONOURS THE MENIL COLLECTION

The Houston art gallery ‘The Menil Collection’, designed by architect **Renzo Piano**, has been selected for the 2013 American Institute of Architects **Twenty-five Year Award**. Recognising architectural design of enduring significance, this award is conferred on a building that has stood the test of time for 25 to 35 years as an embodiment of architectural excellence. The Menil Collection was the first structure realised by Piano in the United States, and immediately propelled him to the forefront as a master in museum design.

More information

<http://www.aia.org/press/releases/AIAB097297>

<http://www.menil.org>

USA

**ADA LOUISE HUXTABLE PASSED AWAY IN NEW YORK**

Ada Louise Huxtable, one of the groundbreaking figures in modern architectural criticism, passed away in Manhattan, on 8 January, at 91 years of age. She was the first accredited architecture critic for the American journal **The New York Times**, and with her columns she invited the general public into the realms of urban planning, architecture and design by making them daily subjects of debate and dialogue. Ms. Huxtable was the first recipient of the **Pulitzer Prize for criticism**, and deputy curator for architecture and design at the New York Museum of Modern Art. She wrote close to a dozen books including the biography of Frank Lloyd Wright, and was a founding member of the **New York City Landmarks Preservation Commission**, showing her dedication to architectural heritage in the United States.

More information

http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/08/arts/design/ada-louise-huxtable-architecture-critic-dies-at-91.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0

KOREA

**SUNG IK KANG FIKA PRESIDENT**

Sung Ik Kang succeeds **Chee Ho Seo** as president of the Federation of Institutes of Korean Architects (FIKA). Mr. Kang previously served as president of the Korean Institute of Registered Architects (KIRA) after chairing its committees on accreditation, education, and mutual assistance.

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FRANCE

**FREDERIC RAGOT - CIAF PRESIDENT**

During its general assembly on 19 December 2012, the International Council of French Architects (CIAF), the UIA French Section, elected its board, to be chaired by Frédéric Ragot.

Frédéric Ragot is in private practice in Lyon, within the ARCHE architecture and urban planning studio. In addition to his architectural and urban planning practice, he has taught at the Political Studies Institute in Lyon, and was a member of the board of directors for Cobaty International in Brussels, an association that unites professionals from various fields involved in construction. Frédéric Ragot then served as president of the Rhône-Alpes regional council of the French Order of Architects. He is a national Councillor in the Order and head of the French delegation to the Architects Council of Europe (ACE). He takes over the presidency of CIAF from **Lionel Carli**, currently president of the National Council of the Order of French Architects (CNOA).

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GREECE

**FANI VAVILI, PRESIDENT OF THE UIA HELLENIC SECTION**

Fani Vavili will serve as president of the UIA Hellenic Section for the next three years. She succeeds **Lisa Siola**, former UIA vice-president for region II, who chaired the section for fourteen years.

Fani Vavili is in private practice in Greece where she designs public health and educational facilities while also teaching in the architecture department at Thessaloniki Technical Institute. Specialised in the conception and planning of health facilities, she has been a member of UIA Public Health work programme since 1990, as well as participating in the International Hospital Federation (IHF) and a number of Greek organisations dedicated to public health. Fani Vavili is an alternate UIA Council member to **Nikos Fintikakis**, titular member.

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IRELAND

**ANNUAL REVIEW OF IRISH ARCHITECTURE**

The Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, **Jimmy Deenihan**, and the president of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland, **Michelle Fagan**, launched the third volume of the annual review of Irish architecture, for 2012/13. **Twenty exemplary realisations** in the areas of culture, education and housing are presented. Some illustrate innovative contemporary techniques, but all demonstrate the highest level of quality standards in Irish architecture. The institute is pursuing this editorial policy as part of its **strategy to promote Irish architecture** and its projects on the European and international scene.

More information

<http://www.riai.ie>

HONG KONG

**YIN SUEN ADA FUNG - HKIA PRESIDENT**

Ada Fung will serve as president of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA) for 2013 and 2014. She succeeds **Dominic Lam**. A graduate of the University of Hong Kong, Ms Fung is deputy director for the Hong Kong housing department. She was HKIA vice-president for 2011 & 2012, and president of the architectural registration board from 2010 to 2012. Through her professional competence and personal engagement, she has made an effective contribution to the institute's development.

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PORTUGAL



2013 IS THE YEAR OF ARCHITECTURE

The Portuguese Deputy Minister for Culture, Jorge Barreto Xavier, presented the programme for 2013 - Portuguese Year of Architecture, on 16 January. The goal is to increase visibility for the profession on the national and international level through a communications campaign promoting Portuguese architecture. The Year of Architecture is organised as a partnership among the authorities responsible for tourism, external commerce, and heritage, along with cultural institutions and the Portuguese Order of Architects.

More information

<http://arquitectos.pt/?no=2020494003,154>

TAJIKISTAN



BAHROM YUSUPOV - PRESIDENT

The Tajikistan Union of Architects held its most recent congress last November, and on this occasion re-elected Bahrom Yusupov to serve as its president. He has held this position since 2007. Mr. Yusupov has been in private architectural practice for 30 years, and is Chief Architect for the city of Dushanbe and the Isfara region (1988-2000). Bahrom Yusupov has realised important office and recreational programmes in his home country as well as Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Azerbaijan, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

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TURKEY



MIMARLIK ARCHITECTURE JOURNAL TURNS 50 !

MİMARLIK, the bimonthly journal published by the Chamber of Architects of Turkey (CAT) is celebrating its 50th birthday. All Turkish architects receive free of charge this review that covers news, debates, and research relating to the profession and architecture both on the national and international level. MİMARLIK has created a website where users can consult all the articles and visual material published since 2003, as well as a list of titles and names of authors for articles published since 1963. It is a database of information in Turkish, with summaries in English.

<http://www.mimarlikdergisi.com>

TURKEY



INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION FOR YOUNG ARCHITECTS

The Turkish Chamber of Architects launched the 5th edition of its international prize for young architects born after 1974. These prizes recognize the winners of an international ideas competition to design temporary emergency shelters for disaster victims, or impoverished populations left to their own by society. **The deadline for registration and submission of projects is 15 March 2013.** UIA supports this competition since 2010.

<http://www.youngarchitectsmeeting.com/ana.cfm?PgID=146>

HERITAGE
REGION I**ENERGY EFFICIENCY OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS IN EUROPE**

The topic "Energy efficiency of historic buildings" is one of the top priorities in European Cultural Heritage Research agenda. The new Energy Efficiency Directive has been voted in September in the EU Parliament and will be implemented in the member States from 2013 on. The European Standardization Committee CEN/TC 346/WG 8 "Energy efficiency of historic buildings" has established a liaison with UIA as an International cultural and professional organization dedicated to a.o. the conservation of cultural heritage and will cooperate with the Workprogram Heritage region 1 in order to provide a positive contribution to the standardization activity and the dissemination of information on its work programme and adopted deliverables. **Sara Van Rompaey** (Belgian member of UIA WP Heritage Region I) has been successfully nominated to represent all European part of UIA (Region I & II) in the CEN/TC 346/WG8. The CEN 346 Committee is chaired by Vasco Fassina, superintendant for historical and cultural heritage in the Veneto region.

WORK PROGRAMME MEETING IN PARIS

The members of this work programme will meet in Paris on **23 February 2013**, in the offices of the national council of the Order of French Architects.

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ARCHITECTURAL
EDUCATION**NEW DIRECTIONS IN ARCHITECTURAL TEACHING**

From 29 November to 1st December 2012, the faculty of architecture at **Berlin Technical University** hosted an international symposium and exhibition dedicated to new methods in architectural teaching. The event counted over 180 participants, and **more than 60 speakers from the United States, Latin America, Europe and Oceania**. They discussed **DesingBuild studios** as a hands-on, learning by doing model for teaching architecture, as an alternative that will expand the horizons of architectural research and design, and help develop socially engaged architecture projects with the cooperation of universities, architectural offices and governmental and non-governmental organisations from around the world.

Ideas, different perspectives, challenges, innovative solutions and the will and need to work together were exchanged during this three-day event that bubbled with enthusiasm. In the following months, CoCoon will work intensively to create the network platform that will make this collaboration possible. UIA Council member **Nina Nedelykov** was among the moderators at this event, representing both the **UIA** and the **BAK** (German Federal Chamber of Architects). All symposium documents will be made available on the web, while ideas and suggestions are encouraged.

Learn, comment, participate:

<http://www.a.tu-berlin.de/cocoon/php/symposium.php>

UN HABITAT

**WORLD URBAN CAMPAIGN**

Two programme meetings for the world urban campaign in which the UIA is a partner will take place on 18 and 19 April, in Nairobi, Kenya. They are part of the 24th session of the Governing Council for the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (Nairobi 15-19 April). The theme for this session is **Sustainable Urban Development: the Role of Cities in Creating Improved Economic Opportunities for All, with Special Reference to Youth and Gender.**

The Habitat Professionals' Forum (HPF), chaired by UIA Immediate Past President Louise Cox, will meet in Nairobi on 15 April.

More information

<http://www.unhabitat.org/>

CAA

**ARCHITECTURE, RESPONSE AND RESPONSIBILITY**

The Institute of Architects Bangladesh is organising the 20th Commonwealth Association of Architects' conference in Dhaka, on 19 - 24 February, on the theme: Architecture, response and responsibility. Architects will reflect on their role in building social well-being in the realms of economy, energy efficiency, the environment, technology, traditions, and urbanism.

More information

www.comarchitect.com

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