COMMUNITY ARCHITECTURE: ARCHITECTURE AND HUMAN RIGHTS [CA+HR]
WORK PROGRAMME REPORT MAY 2020

PURPOSE AND CHARGE OF THE WORK PROGRAMME

- To promote the work of architects, designers and communities, who are creating better environments.
- To ensure that CA+HR is understood as an essential component of architectural quality; and
- To contribute to the inclusion and quality of life of all those impacted by an inequitable built environment.

The work programme is dedicated to advancing the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, with a particular emphasis on SDG 11: Making cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable. With current estimations stating that by 2030, two thirds of the world’s population will live in cities, it is essential that urban environments develop in harmony with the UN guiding principles.

SDG 11-1 By 2030, ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services and upgrade slums
SDG 11-3 By 2030, enhance inclusive and sustainable urbanization and capacity for participatory, integrated and sustainable human settlement planning and management in all countries
SDG 11-4 Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world’s cultural and natural heritage
SDG 11-6 By 2030, reduce the adverse per capita environmental impact of cities, including by paying special attention to air quality and municipal and other waste management
SDG 11-7 By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons and persons with disabilities

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PRODUCTS

BAKU UIA Forum: Mass Tourism in historic cities: 7 – 9 June 2019
On 29 March 2019 a call for papers and projects was sent out to all UIA member sections to submit work related to community architecture and human rights. CA+HR exhibited 6 projects from Region IV and Region V during the UIA Baku forum. The exhibition was well attended.

JUSTCity Jozi UIA CA+HR conference from 31st July - 02nd August 2019
This conference was attended by +300 architects, urban designers and policy makers. We were able to create a database of +200 students and volunteers. The conference was attended by renowned keynote speaker, Rod Hackney and as well as architect Samuel Oboh.

COVID-19 CA+HR Task Team March 2020
A call for volunteers to assist with efforts related to the COVID-19 crisis was launched in South Africa on Thursday 26th March 2020. This followed the President, Cyril Ramaphosa’s announcement for a countrywide
lockdown period of 21-days, which commenced on midnight, Thursday 26th March 2020. To date we have +100 volunteers whom have offered their assistance and volunteered their time. Volunteers consist of architects, engineers and students. To date we have offered guidance and design advice to policy makers around best practice and design solutions during the pandemic. The research and projects gathered within this task team will contribute towards the UIA Covid-19 Information Hub.

VALUE AND SIGNIFICANCE

By 2030, two thirds of the world’s population will live in cities. Projections show that there will be 41 mega cities with more than 10 million inhabitants. Tokyo will remain the world’s largest city with 37 million inhabitants followed by Delhi with a population of 36 million. An international organisation such as the UIA should be aligned with the United Nations in making cities safe, resilient and sustainable.

This Work Programme is a conduit linking the developments internationally to the Member Sections. Architects and Community Architects in particular should be mindful of the Sustainable Development Goals in all the projects that they undertake.

ENGAGEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT

The CA+HR work programme consists of 8 members from 6 different countries:

- Nadia Tromp South Africa Region V
- Diego Zoppi Italy Region I
- Ninosthka Hudson Fernandez Columbia Region III
- Simon Hui Hong-Kong Region IV
- Joseph Kwan Hong Kong Region IV
- Kevin Bingham South Africa Region V
- Shirley Adiv Israel Region II
- Sanny Goldman Israel Region II

Our work programme has strong ties with other UIA Work Programmes, including Social Habitat WP and Architecture for All WP.

WORLD CONGRESS PLAN

Design Hack-a-thon / Exhibition / showcase of work in the field / publication of case studies of exemplary work

We are excited to be planning some joint exhibitions or installations together with Social Habitat WP and Architecture for All WP.