



### Informal UIA Council Meeting

The UIA Council gathered on 16 June for their first online meeting. This was an informal occasion for Council members to exchange on their experiences as architects during the COVID-19 pandemic and the ensuing lockdown. An official Council meeting will take place 23 July, also online. On the agenda: UIA2021RIO, the World Capital of Architecture, the UIA Madrid Forum, the COVID-19 Information Hub, and World Architecture Day 2020.



### **UIA2021RIO International Student Ideas Competition: Complexo da Maré**

Registered participants may submit projects starting 30 June 2020 to the single-stage international student ideas competition organised by the Institute of Architects of Brazil (IAB), the International Union of Architects, and supported by UN-Habitat. Entrants are invited to propose innovative urban solutions for the Maré, an informal settlement in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, which includes the busy expressway (Avenida Brasil) and a cluster of favelas (Complexo da Maré). Submissions should adhere to Goal 11 of the UN Sustainable Development Goals: to make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable. The deadline for submission of projects is 30 July 2020.

**[Find out more](#)**



## **UIA Working Bodies: The Road to Rio**

In anticipation of the UIA 27th World Congress of Architects in Rio de Janeiro, 18 - 22 July 2021, UIA Working Bodies have been reporting on their activities over the last triennium, as well as what they have in store for UIA2021RIO. Keep an eye on UIA social media and newsletters over the coming weeks to find out more about the initiatives of each of our Working Bodies.

This first feature spotlights UIA Work Programme Architecture for All, which raises awareness about accessibility and inclusivity in architectural design. Among other things, their recent activities include the Friendly and Inclusive Spaces Award and the UIA Policy draft on Accessible and Inclusive Built Environments.

For UIA2021RIO, the AfA WP is planning an exhibition of the winning projects of the Friendly and Inclusive Spaces Awards, as well as a Seminar on "Responding to Natural Disasters and Emergencies: Inclusive Design Guidelines for both Architecture and Urban Planning".

**[Read the full report](#)**

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### **UIA Interviews Carin Smuts, 2017 winner of the UIA Robert Matthew Prize**

Carin Smuts is renowned for her work creating communal spaces and public buildings for disadvantaged communities. She favours a collaborative and participative approach, drawing on the knowledge and cultural references of the future users. Her work can be found all over South Africa, in both urban and rural contexts.

Established in 1978, the UIA Robert Matthew Prize is awarded for work on humane and sustainable built environments, embodying the goals of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat). This UIA Prize has been awarded to individuals and groups, including Hassan Fathy, Stefan Foster, Giancarlo de Carlo, the Metropolitan Government of Seoul and, most recently, Carin Smuts, whose interview you will find below.

**[Read the interview](#)**

COMPETITIONS AND PRIZES ▼



*Myrskylampi-Church, Vantaa-AdIC-2, Finland, by 2020 Daylight Award laureat Juha Leiviskä*

### **The Daylight Award 2020 : Video Series**

The Daylight Award is a prize established by the philanthropic foundations VILLUM FONDEN, VELUX FONDEN and VELUX STIFTUNG. It is awarded for research into daylight, as well as for the innovative use of daylight in architecture for the sake of health, well-being and the environment. The organisers will launch a series of video presentations on YouTube starting 2 September 2020, in honour of the three winners of its 2020 edition: architect and designer Juha Leiviskä (Finland), winner of the Daylight Award 2020 for Architecture; neuroscientist Russell Foster (UK), awarded the Daylight Award 2020 for Research; and Professor Henry Plummer (USA), recognised for lifetime achievement.

**[Find out more](#)**

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## 2020 Prize for Women Architects

ARVHA, the Association for Research on Cities and Housing, has launched the 8th edition of The Prize for Women Architects. This prize is supported by the Ministry of Culture, the Pavillon de l'Arsenal and the French National Council of the Order of Architects. The aim of the initiative is to highlight the work and careers of women architects, encouraging gender parity in the architectural profession. To be considered for this prize, you must be a member of the French Order of Architects and the author of the submitted projects.

**[Find out more](#)**

### WEBINARS ▼

Webinar Meeting

POST COVID-19  
ADAPTIVE STRATEGIES  
IN THE MEDITERRANEAN  
REGION

30 June 2020  
4.00/6.00 p.m. (CET)






## UMAR Webinar: Post COVID19 Adaptive Strategies in the Mediterranean

The UMAR Executive Bureau invites you to attend the UMAR “Post COVID19 Adaptive Strategies in the Mediterranean” Webinar on 30th of June 2020. This event is organised with the support of UMAR’s Italian section, the CNAPPC.

[Register](#)

Urban Thinkers Campus – Series #2



# COVID-19

Take action with us in cities and communities

## WEBINAR

Saturday 11 July 2020

12:00 PM, Greenwich Mean Time (GMT)

# URBAN THINKERS CAMPUS

COVID-19 URBAN THINKERS CAMPUS  
Series #2

**Lead Partner, International Union of Architects**

*Moderator:* Ishtiaque Zahir Titas, Co Director, UIA SDGC, (IAB, Bangladesh)

*Speaker 1:* Natalie Mossin, Head, School of Architecture, (KADK, Denmark)

*Speaker 2:* Yves Monnot, SC Member, UIA SDGC, (CIAF, France)

*Speaker 3:* Chan Cho Sing Joel, Member, UIA SDGC, (HKIA, Hong Kong)

*Speaker 4:* CID Blanco Jr, SC Member, UIA SDGC, (IAB, Brazil)

*Speaker 5:* Kevin Bingham, Council member, UIA R-V, (SAIA, South Africa)

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 For Details visit : <https://www.uia-architectes.org/> or <https://www.worldurbancampaign.org/urban-thinkers-campus>

For live cast visit facebook : Union Internationale des Architectes

**TITLE :** Architects' response in reshaping our cities that are resilient to pandemic situations

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**WORLD URBAN CAMPAIGN**

## Urban Thinkers Campus Webinar

As part of the UN-Habitat World Urban Campaign, the UIA is organising the next global online Urban Thinkers Campus webinar, entitled: Architects' response in reshaping our cities that are resilient to pandemic situations. Speakers include Ishtiaque Zahir Titas (Bangladesh) and Nathalie Mossin (Denmark), co-directors of the UIA Sustainable Development Goals Commission. The event will take place on 11 July at 12pm GMT.

[Register](#)

MEMBER SECTIONS ▼



### **Kamra tal-Periti Centenary**

On 12 June, the UIA Maltese member section, Kamra tal-Periti, celebrated 100 years of service to the profession and to society. As the sole recognised professional body representing architects and civil engineers in Malta, Kamra tal-Periti's mission is to support members of the profession in achieving excellence in their practice of architecture and engineering, in the interest of the community.

#### **Find out more**

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*The International Union of Architects (UIA) is an international non-governmental organisation based in Paris. Established in 1948, it is the only organisation representing architects across the globe working to unify architects, influence public policies on construction and development, and advance architecture in service to the needs of society.*



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