



2022: Year of Design for Health



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Christoph Gatermann (Germany) is the Managing Director of the Healthcare division at Nickl-Architekten in Germany. He has been a member of the AKG since 2016 and an associate member of the UIA Public Health group since 2007. Gatermann completed his studies at the Technical University of Aachen and ETH Zurich in 2004. While studying, he focused on healthcare facility planning and developed a deep understanding of this specialization early on. Since completing his studies, he has focused on in-depth inventory analysis and target planning for the structural optimisation of the reconstruction of hospitals. He has been involved in a large number of hospital projects at all levels of care, and is mainly responsible for them in the general planner role.



Karin Imoberdorf (Switzerland) is a Partner & Member of the Board at Lead Consultants Inc and the Swiss representative for the UIA Public Health Group. She holds a Masters degree in Architecture and worked for 10 years as project manager and member of the board in Bern, responsible for the section of healthcare buildings at Itten+Brechbühl AG. Her interest in architecture for health, people and sustainability was clear early on after writing her thesis on the "Central Hospital of Zug – extension and reconstruction, with a focus on sustainability and spatial qualities". Her work includes strategic consultancy, master planning, performance modelling, process analysis, operational analysis, operational concepts, programming and medical technology equipment.



Tye Farrow (Canada) is a Senior Partner at Farrow Partners Architects based in Canada. He gained a Bachelor degree in Architecture from the University of Toronto and a Master of Architecture in Urban Design from Harvard University. Farrow specialises in the intersection of architecture and neuroscience and is a world-recognized pioneer in this field. He is the first Canadian Architect to have earned a Master of Neuroscience Applied to Architecture (from the University of Venice IUAV). He has worked on numerous award-winning projects. Farrow has been described as a global leader making "a significant contribution to health and humanity through the medium of architecture "at the Stockholm World Design & Health Congress.



Fiifi Yasebi Sam-Awortwi (Ghana) is a certified Architect of the Ghana Institute of Architects, and the Principal Architect of his firm Vital Space Limited based in Accra, Ghana. He is also on the board of the Ghana Green Building Council and a Physical facilities inspector for the Ghana Tertiary Education Commission. He has worked on numerous residential, industrial and commercial commissions. Many of these notable schemes are in the health sector. The firm's most recent work is the concept designs and planning scheme for Wakanda city of return by the African Diaspora Development Institute (ADDI). Looking to the future Fiifi seeks to embrace more socially impactful projects in line with his maxim "adding meaning and value to the built environment".

