**Live Webinar**

**Sustainable Housing for Resilient Communities: The Challenges of Affordability**

**Speaker’s Bios**

**Tuesday 30 August 2022 - 14:00-16:00 CET**

**Moderators**

- **Nadia Tromp** is co-director of the UIA Community Architecture and Human Rights Work Programme for the 2021-2023 term. 2021 laureate of the UIA Vassilis Sgoutas Prize for Implemented Architecture Serving the Improverished, in 2017 she became the first female architect from the African continent to win a World Architecture Festival Award (WAF) for her design of the Westbury Clinic, a project widely commended for its approach to public space. The work accomplished by her firm, Ntsika Architects, is characterised by a deep social commitment grounded in innovative design solutions which foster human dignity.

- **Qazi M Arif** is co-director of the UIA Community Architecture and Human Rights Work Programme for the 2021-2023 term. Principal architect and president of ENVISION architects based in Dhaka, Bangladesh, he combines teaching in various universities in Bangladesh with extensive research and writing. In addition to holding leadership positions in Architects Regional Council Asia (Arcasia) and South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation of Architects (SAARC), he serves as juror for professional and student competitions and prizes.

**Speakers**

- **Iqbal Habib** is a practicing architect and an environmental activist. Co-founder of the architectural design atelier, VITTI Sthapati Brindo in Dhaka, Bangladesh, his projects over the past two decades, ranging from small housing to large urban development projects, exemplify responsive and sustainable development. An active organiser, promoter and passionate advocate for the urban renewal of Bangladeshi cities, he has also collaborated with internationally acclaimed architects like Kengo Kuma, Moshe Safdi and Zaha Hadid.

- **Öncül Kırlangıç** is an Istanbul-based architect, a member of the Chamber of Architects of Turkey and co-founder member of the Center for Spatial Justice. Graduate in architecture from Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, where she specialised in participatory design, affordable housing, critical architecture and urban planning, gentrification and mega projects, space politics and urban movements, she provides pro-bono services to Düzce Hope Homes.

- **Murat Comal YalçınTan** is an urban planner whose research focuses on the ongoing regeneration, renewal and self-organisation of gecekondu neighbourhoods in Istanbul. After completing his doctorate in Geography at the London School of Economics on the impact of globalisation on local politics and planning, YalçınTan edited a book on the subject of third way politics and publishes and lectures on globalisation, global cities, urban politics, informal settlements and regeneration as well as on research methods in urban and regional planning.

- **Ada Fung** is an active member of the built asset industry. During her former career as Deputy Director of Housing until end December 2017, she headed the Development & Construction Division of the Housing Department, the executive arm of the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HKHA), which provides public housing for about 45% of Hong Kong’s population. Fung received the International Passive & Low Energy Architecture Award in 2018 in recognition of her tremendous contribution to delivering sustainable, affordable, quality housing for low-income families.