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ARCASIA COMMITTEE ON
SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

ACSR REPORT for OBCC MEETING

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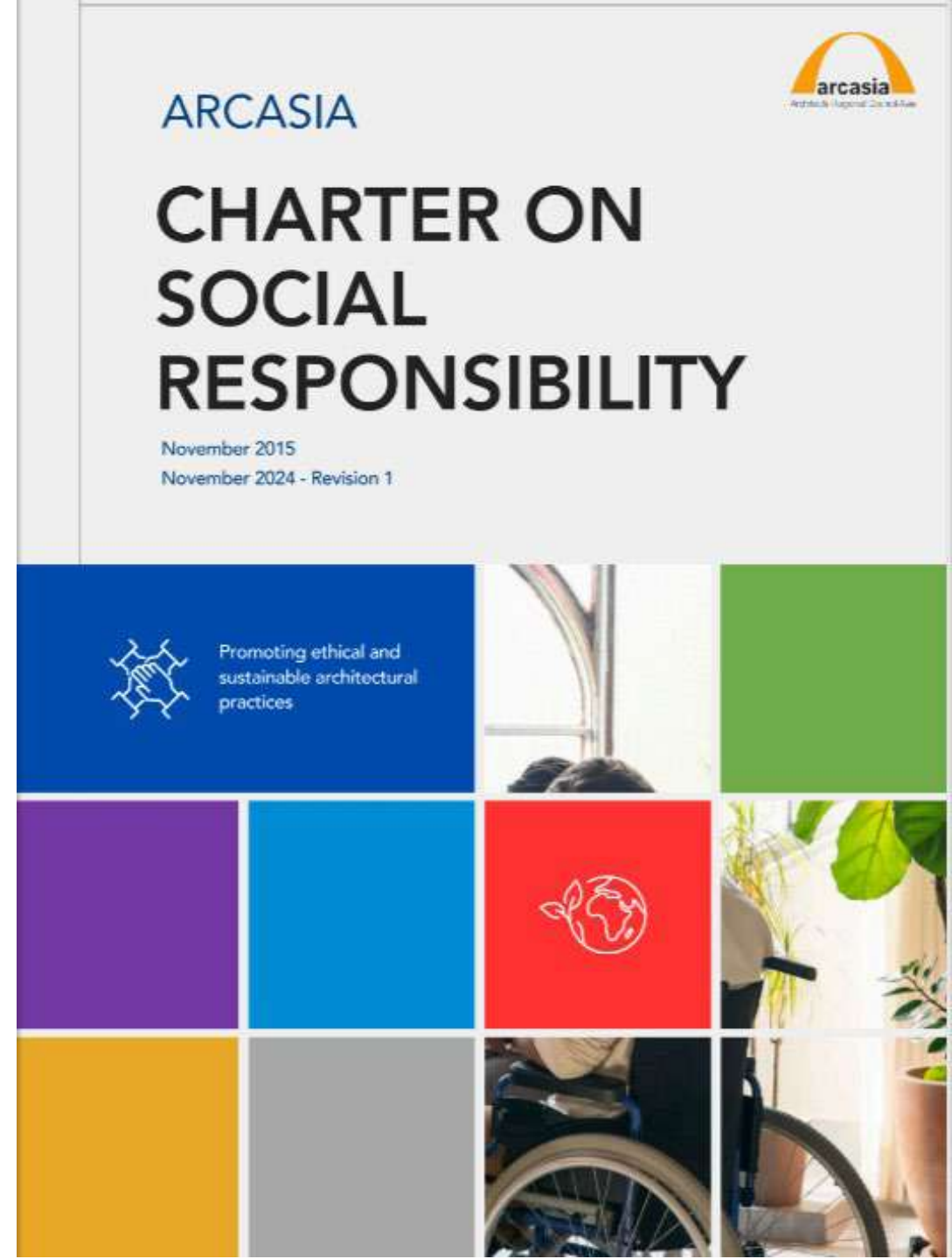
SUMMARY OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting was held at 10:00 am Sri Lankan time
14 th January, 2025



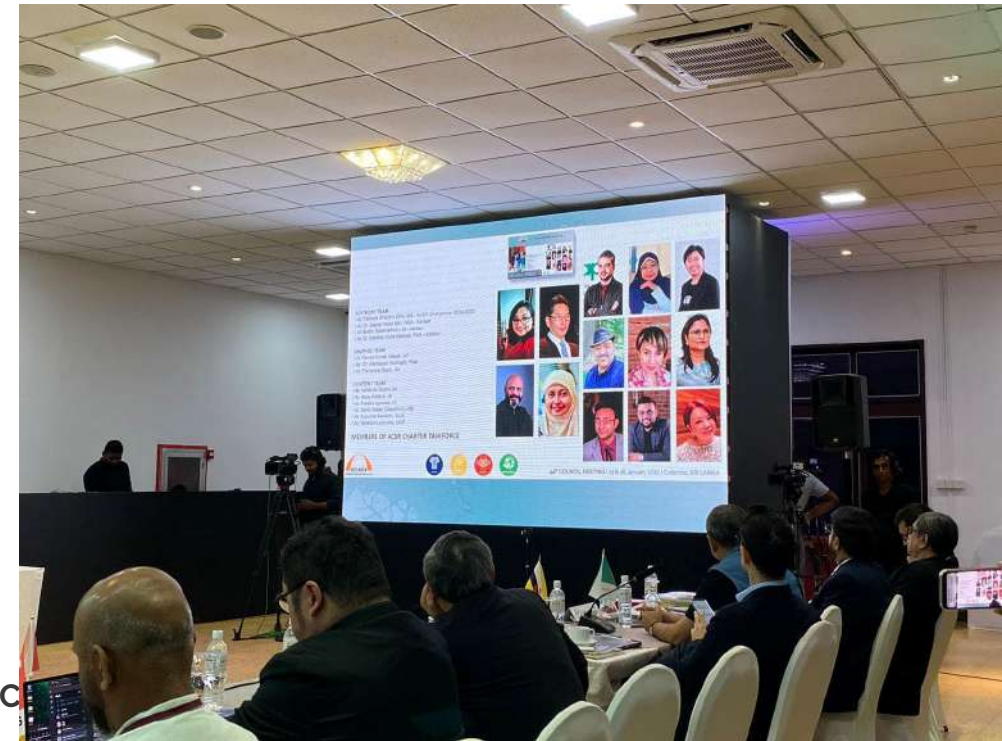
THE NEW EDITION OF THE ACSR CHARTER

The ARCASIA Committee on Social Responsibility (ACSR) Charter, also known as the ACSR Charter, was reviewed and launched unofficially on 14 January 2025 during the ACSR Committee Meeting in Colombo, Sri Lanka.

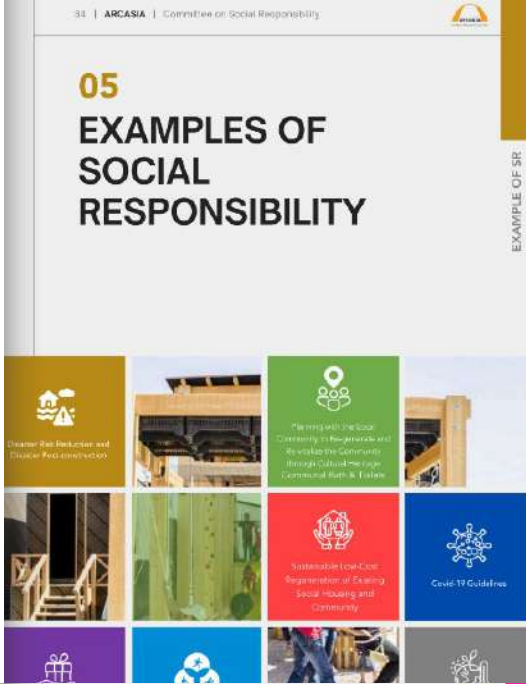
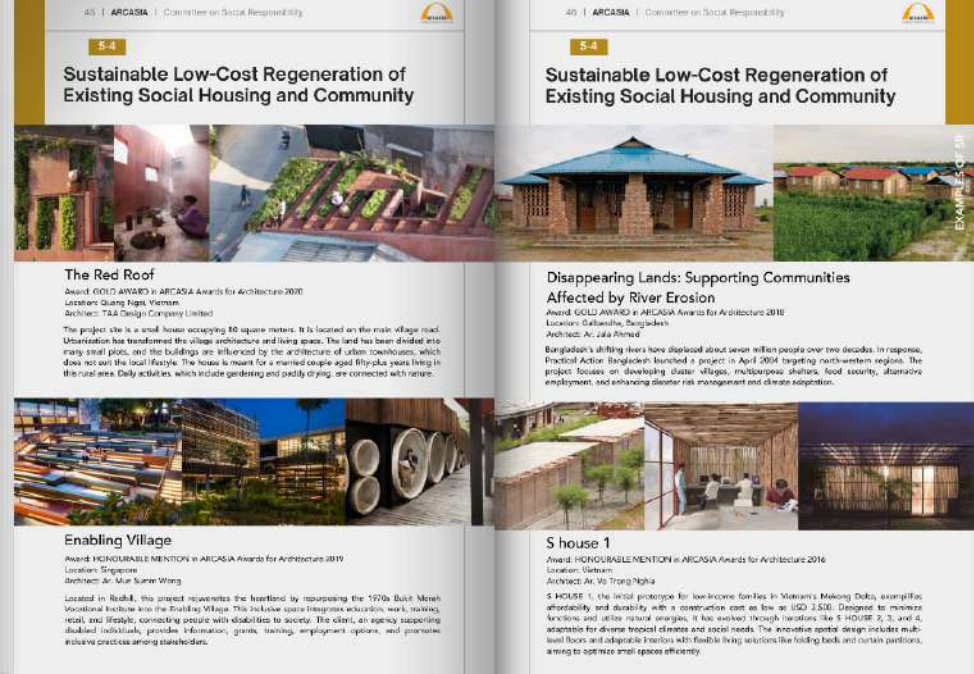




**ACSR Charter was
officially launched during
ARCASIA Council Meeting
on 16 January 2025 in
Colombo, Sri Lanka.**

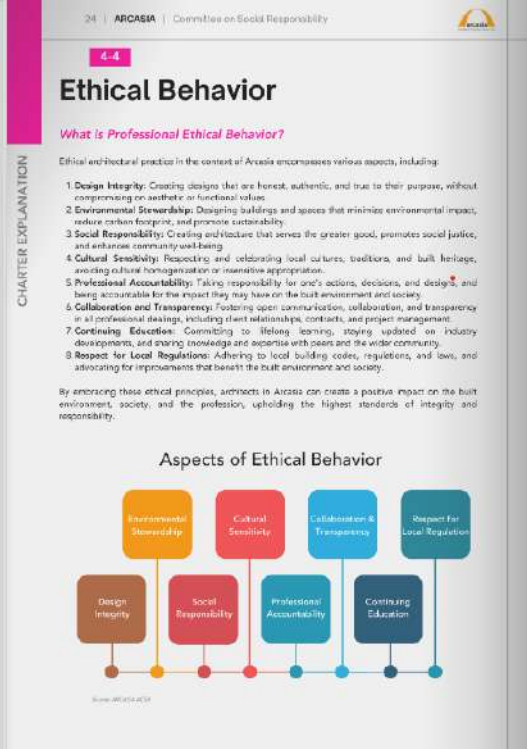


ACSR Charter Taskforce aimed to create a contemporary, accessible, and impactful document that will serve future generations effectively.



The efforts of the taskforce were focused on enhancing the charter to make it more user-friendly and appealing. Key updates include:

- **Improved Format:** Summaries, infographics, and color-coded chapters were incorporated to enhance accessibility.
- **Expanded Examples:** Recent award-winning projects and initiatives were added, highlighting the mission and vision of social responsibility.
- **Preservation of Core Content:** All original chapters have been retained, ensuring the document remains true to its foundational values.



Originally established in 2015, the ACSR Charter has served as the guiding principle for all ACSR activities.

Recognizing the need for a more engaging and adaptable version for the younger generation, the revised edition now includes:

- Colour coding
- Short notes
- Infographics
- Updated examples
- Enhanced graphical representation



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The Charter

General

“Corporate Social Responsibility” is a concept whereby companies integrate social and environmental concerns in their business operations and in their interaction with their stakeholders on a voluntary basis.

(ARCASIA Committee on Social Responsibility, Bali, Indonesia, 31 October 2012)

ARCASIA KEY PRINCIPLES OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



ARCASIA Member Organizations (Signatories to the Charter)



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Dr. Ar. Phan Dang Son

A dedicated task force of 13 members developed the revised Charter, which was subsequently approved by the Presidents of ARCASIA's member institutes.

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- Ar. Farhana Sharmin Emu, IAB - ACSR Chairperson 2024-2025
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 - Ar. Sapumal Bandara, SLIA
 - Ar. Vanessa Ledesma, UAP



Topic A: Architecture with Marginalized Communities

how and what ACSR under ARCASIA can do to be with the marginalized community at large.

Topic B: Universal Design - Wellness Design

how and what ACSR under ARCASIA can do to make their architects become more aware of Universal - Wellness Design

Total Number of Institutes 17

Total Number of Representatives 19

Total Number of Observers 11

Topic A: Architecture with Marginalized Communities



Kabir, who is an architect and landscape architect by training, introduces himself as a community architect. He is the co-founder of Co.Creation.Architects (CCA) that works with human and non-human communities to co-create better built and natural habitats. His practice received the Aga Khan Award for Architecture and UIA 2030 Award in 2022 for co-creation of Urban River Spaces in Jhenaidah, Bangladesh. He is a core team member of Platform of Community Action and Architecture (POCAA) and Community Architects Network (CAN). He teaches landscape and architecture at BRAC University. His fields of interests are ecological landscape, community-led housing and people-led city planning.

how and what ACSR under ARCASIA can do to be with the marginalized community at large.

- **ACSR can Form a Regional Network of Community Architects**
- **Organize Co-creation Workshops in different scale with different groups**
- **Continuous engagement of academia and practice with the marginalized communities to address real problems and possibilities**
- **Fellowship and mentorship program especially for the young professionals**
- **Sharing and exchange visits nationally and regionally**

- Don't design for. Design with. Generally, we learn how to design for people. Design with people is a learnable skill too.
- Don't sort out everything with preconceived possibilities, engage with it.
- "Trust that poor people can do it too!"
- The process must empower communities, not any individual, nor any professional institute.
- No design competitions for marginalized communities.

ASA can host the forum or workshop along with site visit, close to what ACSR has discussed under Marginalized Community, And this can be arranged during ASA EXPO in April 29 ,2025

Topic B: Universal Design - Wellness Design



Ar. Mumtazah, a Malaysian architect has designed and master planned several university campuses along with Condominiums, private homes and several university buildings.

Her designs focus on Sustainability and Universal Design. Currently she is doing more research on Design for Special Needs focusing not only those with physical disabilities, but also for those with neurological disabilities, elderly and people with special needs, autism, conditions and requirement.

how and what ACSR under ARCASIA can do to make their architects become more aware of Universal - Wellness Design

- **DESIGN COMPETITION: U-WD Online Design Competition ONLINE**
- **LECTURE: U-WD Online/Physical Lecture Series**
- **E-POSTERS: U-WD Awareness e-Posters**
- **UD GUIDELINES: Compilation of Universal Design Guidelines from all countries**
- **WD GUIDELINES: Composing Wellness Design Awareness Guideline**



AHPG Symposium

The first-ever Heritage Symposium, organized by the ARCASIA Heritage Preservation Group (AHPG) under ACSR, took place at Mihikatha Medura, graciously hosted by the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA).

Date: 18 January 2025

The event concluded with the official Handing Over of AHPG Chairmanship to Ar. Sapumal Bandara (SLIA) from Ar. Farhana Sharmin Emu



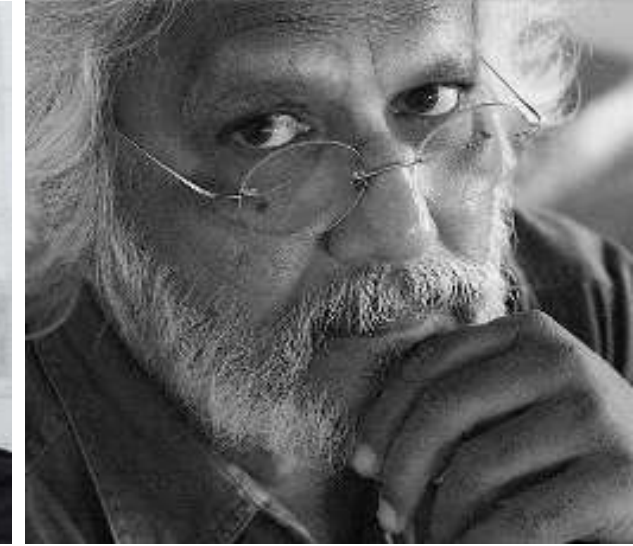
keynote speeches:

1. Prof Dr Ar Abu Sayeed M Ahmed

Architect and architectural conservation specialist

2. Ashley De Vos

Architect, Archaeologist, Landscape Architect, Ecologist



Four country presentations:

1. Ar. Ken KC, Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA)
2. Ar. Aimee Roslan, Pertubuhan Akitek Malaysia (PAM)
3. Dr. Sajid Bin Doza, Institute of Architects Bangladesh(IAB)
4. Ar. Sapumal Bandara, Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA)



AHPG HERITAGE TOUR

The Heritage Tour, organized by the ARCASIA Heritage Preservation Group (AHPG) under ACSR, was hosted by the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA).

Date: 19 January 2025



The engaging discussion focusing on:

- Adaptive Reuse through Conservation: Appropriate Case Studies
- Conservation Techniques and Guidelines in Practice
- Preservation of Historic Urban Landscape

7.30	am	Departure from Hotel
10.30	am	10.30 AM - Galle Maritime Museum - History of Galle https://maps.app.goo.gl/aP6BYySKnGBMSfxC6 Galle Fort Tour
10.50	am	Open Yard Infront of fort complex
11.00	am	Old Dutch hospital turned into a Shopping Complex
11.30	am	Roaming around ramparts of Galle
12.40	am	Exit from Galle fort
12.50	am	Getting into Cloisenberg hotel for Sri Lankan Traditional lunch https://maps.app.goo.gl/nNSVYFeR188tWF9H9
2.45	pm	Back to Colombo
5.15	pm	Visit independence square https://maps.app.goo.gl/6wuFyG1ZbFmyzyVb9
5.35	pm	Visit Arcade independence square shopping complex https://maps.app.goo.gl/bKpuYHr43ykCn47Y7
5.55	pm	visit race course and shopping complex https://maps.app.goo.gl/Gau3ZBYJEfvj6hQo9
6.15	pm	Visit old Dutch hospital https://maps.app.goo.gl/QFrn9wFq6pnxE4SR9?g_st=ac
7.00	pm	Arrival at The Hotel

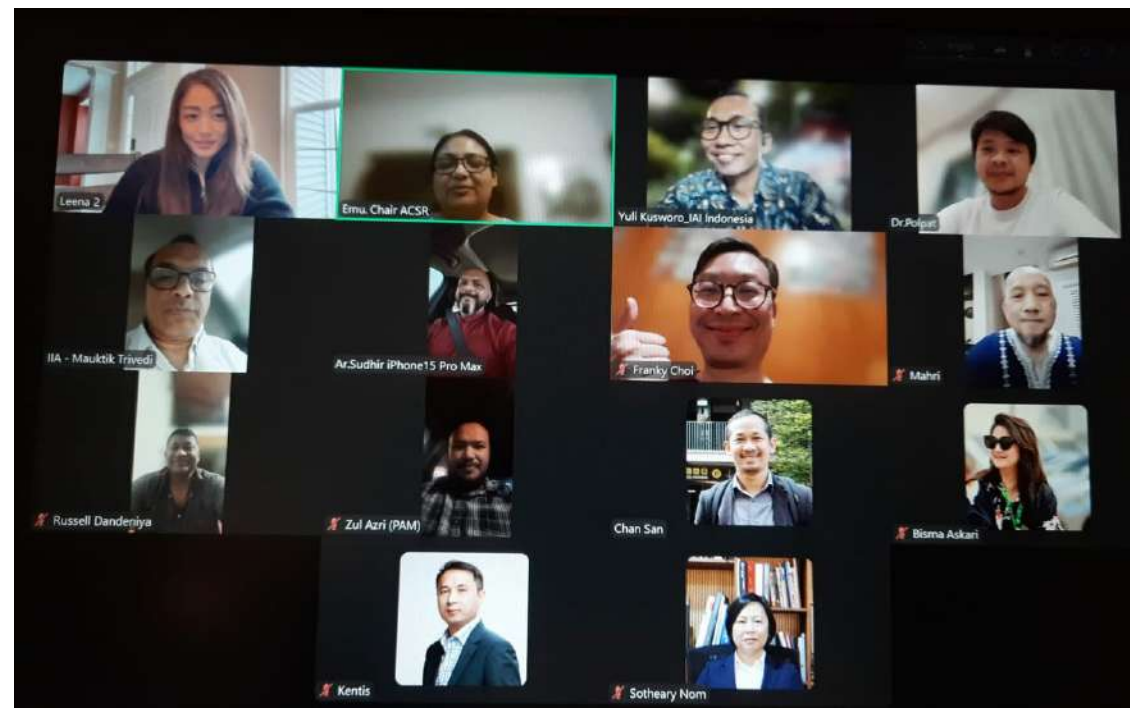
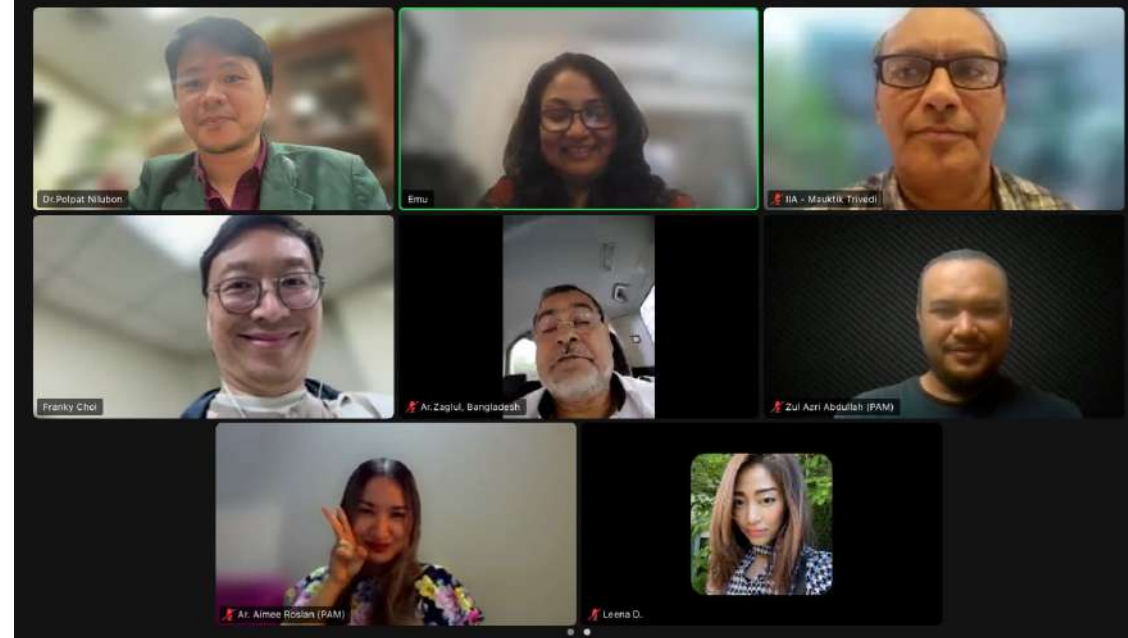


TASKFORCE A

Architecture with Marginalized Communities

TASKFORCE B

Universal - Wellness Design



Asia, home to approximately 4.6 billion people, is marked by significant social and economic disparities. While exact numbers are difficult to ascertain, it's evident that a substantial portion of Asia's population faces systemic marginalization.

Workshop on “Architecture with Marginalized Communities”

ACSR members collectively emphasized the importance of fostering inclusivity within ARCASIA by recognizing and promoting architects who are engaged in impactful work with marginalized communities across Asia.



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LIST OF ATTENDEES

April 26, 2025: Day 01 Arrival and Registration

April 27, 2025: Day 02 On-site Exploration

Time (Local Time)	Program	Details
08.00 am – 09.00 am	Brief introduction about the workshop "Architecture with Marginalized Community"	Moderated by Chairman ACSR, ARCASIA
	Introduction of the Delegates	Moderated by Chairman ACSR, ARCASIA
	Introduction about Site Visit Day 01	Moderated by Polpat Nilubon (At hotel lobby)
09.00 am – 12.00 pm	Site Visit 01	
	Project: Bo Farang Housing for Low-Income Individuals	Led by Ar. Yotsakrai Masa
12.00 pm – 01.00 pm	Lunch Break	At Restaurant
01.00 pm – 03.00 pm	Site Visit 02	
	Project: Baan Mankong Suan Phlu Sathorn Community	Led by Ar. Yotsakrai Masa
03.00 pm – 06.00 pm	Site Visit 03	
	Project: Klong Ladprao Community	Led by Ar. Yotsakrai Masa
06.00 pm – 07.00 pm	Open Discussion on Reflections on the Visits and Q/A	Venue: ASA HQ office or hotel

April 28, 2025: Day 03 On-site Exploration

Time (Local Time)	Program	Details
08.00 am – 09.00 am	Introduction about Site Visit Day 02	Moderated by Polpat Nilubon (At hotel lobby)
09.00 am – 12.00 pm	Site Visit 04	
	Project: Low-cost Micro Dwelling for Klong-Toey Community	Led by Ar. ML Varudh Varavarn (Vin)
12.00 pm – 01.00 pm	Lunch Break	At Restaurant
01.00 pm – 03.00 pm	Panel Discussion	Venue: ASA HQ
	Welcome Remarks	By the Guests of Honour
	Discussion by Ar. Patama Roonrakwit , Dr. Wijitbusaba Marome , and Ar. Chutayaves Sinthuphan	Moderated by Dr. Polpat Nilubon
	Coffee/tea break	Seating: U-shape table
03.00 pm – 06.00 pm	Open Discussion on Reflections on the Day's Visits and Q/A	
	Workshop participant internal group discussion Concluding Remarks	Moderated by Ar. Farhana Emu, Chairman ACSR, ARCASIA

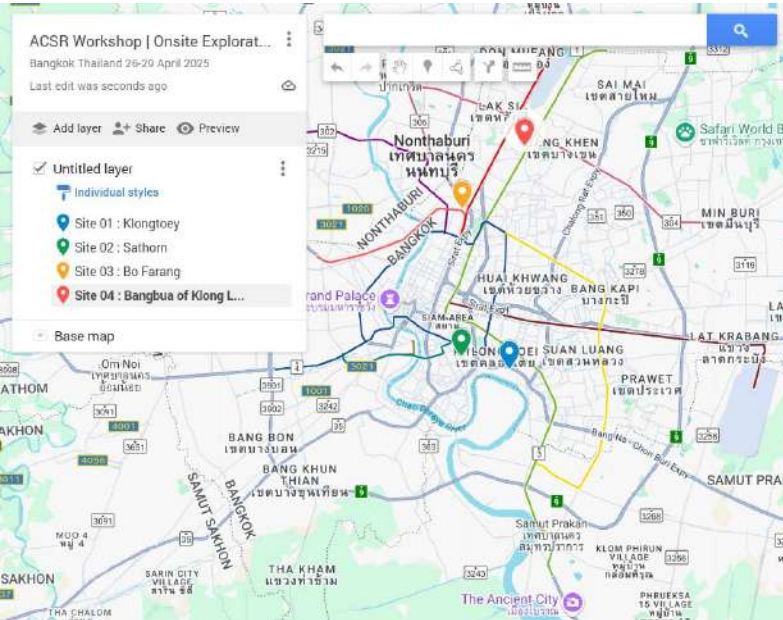
SCHEDULE OF THE WORKSHOP



PRESENTERS

Organized by

The Association of Siamese Architects under Royal Patronage (ASA)
&
ARCASIA Committee on Social Responsibility (2024-2025)



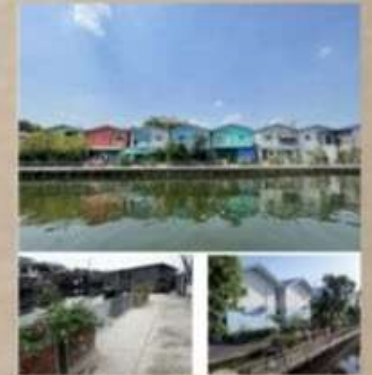
Site 01
Low-cost Micro Dwelling for Klong-Toey Community



Site 02
Baan Mankong Suan Phlu Sathorn Community

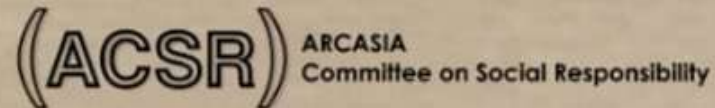


Site 03
Bo Farang Housing for Low Income Individuals



Site 04
Klong Ladprao Community

ACSR Charter on Social Responsibility:
<https://bit.ly/acsr-charter2024>





INTRODUCTION AT ASA OFFICE



Site 01: Klongtoey

Positive Observations:

- The community demonstrates strong grassroots organization, resilience, and a self-help attitude, reflecting adaptability and potential for bottom-up planning.
- Informal economies and local engagement show capacity for sustaining livelihoods and building community responsibility, especially regarding environmental health.

Negative Observations:

- Inadequate wastewater drainage leads to stagnant water, posing serious health risks.
- Lack of tenure security undermines long-term development.
- Limited architectural engagement reduces the potential for truly integrated and human-centric environments.
- Poor natural light and ventilation in some units diminish well-being.

Recommendations / Comments:

- Promote **participatory design**, with architects as facilitators, ensuring housing reflects real needs and cultural identity.
- Embed **health and hygiene education** in the community, with models for trash collection and disposal drawn from successful case studies (e.g., Taiwan).
- **Redesign drainage systems** to eliminate stagnant water and improve health.
- Ensure **all units have 10% natural light** and proper cross-ventilation; adopt traditional designs to prevent the “hot box” effect.
- Encourage **cluster designs** over linear layouts to create shared green spaces and enhance social interaction.
- Introduce **public–semi-public–private transitions** in the layout to improve openness, friendliness, and informal surveillance.
- Enhance **tenure security**, financing options, and use of local materials.
- Build local capacity for **self-managed maintenance and upgrades**.
- Ensure the **continuity of community livelihoods** through mixed-use, income-generating spatial integration.
- Regular **Post-Occupancy Evaluation (POE)** to assess effectiveness and avoid repeated mistakes.



UPDATE FROM SITE 01



Site 02: Sathorn

Positive Observations:

- Demonstrates successful in-situ upgrading and integration of green public spaces, aligning with health and social wellbeing goals.
- Shows potential for Public-Private Partnership (PPP) models in urban renewal.

Negative Observations:

- Risk of gentrification, rising land values, and eventual exclusion of original low-income residents.
- Insufficient natural lighting and ventilation, with some designs lacking adequate waste management and drainage.
- Community participation in planning appears more limited—planning seems top-down.

Recommendations / Comments:

- Deepen **community-led action planning** to ensure inclusive and sustainable urban development.
- Implement **barrier-free, step-free ground-floor units** for elderly and disabled residents.
- Ensure **10% natural light and cross-ventilation** in all habitable spaces.
- Design inclusive systems that preserve **affordability** through micro-finance or rent-to-own schemes.
- Establish **Post-Occupancy Evaluations** to monitor not only physical infrastructure but also social wellbeing.
- Support **livelihood-generating infrastructure** and use canal or lake frontages to enhance communal and recreational spaces.
- Build a long-term vision that balances **infrastructure upgrading with community empowerment** and anti-displacement strategies.



UPDATE FROM SITE 02



Site 03: Bo Farang

Positive Observations:

- The **land-sharing model** is an exemplary case of collaborative governance and innovation in urban housing.
- Residents participate in building efforts, contributing to sustainability and ownership.
- The project integrates green spaces and begins to utilize local natural resources.

Negative Observations:

- The negotiation process is lengthy and not fully inclusive of all community voices.
- Architectural expression lacks cultural depth, appearing overly utilitarian.
- Limited **barrier-free access** for the elderly and disabled.
- **Livelihoods of traditional occupations** may not be adequately preserved.

Recommendations / Comments:

- Promote a **more inclusive negotiation process** and document it for replication in other contexts.
- Bring **architectural sensibility as a cultural expression**—beyond just technical functionality.
- Include **step-free, wheelchair-accessible ground-floor units** and adaptable interior layouts.
- Conduct **Post-Occupancy Evaluations** to refine the process and ensure alignment with resident needs.
- Support **mixed-use and income-generating zones** to protect traditional economic practices.
- Utilize natural features (canals, lakes) to create **community recreational hubs** and strengthen social life.



UPDATE FROM SITE 03



Site 04: Bangbua of Klong Ladprao

Positive Observations:

- The site stands out as a model for **climate-resilient canal-side upgrading**, with organized layout and strong institutional backing.
- Emphasis on public space and green areas supports social engagement and environmental health.

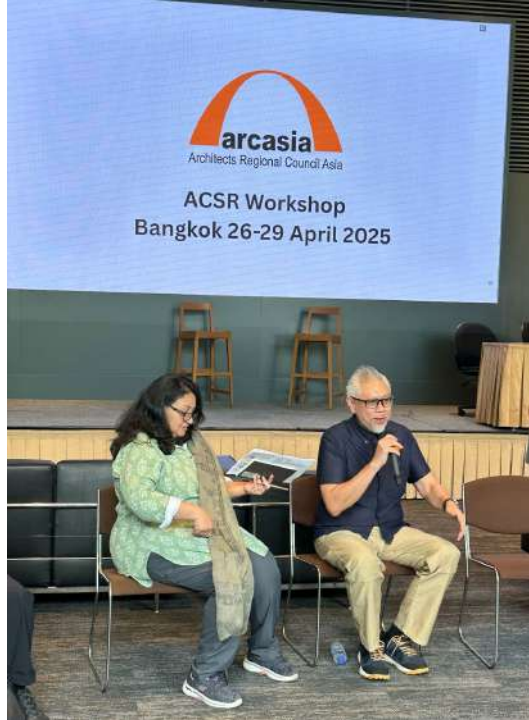
Negative Observations:

- Social fragmentation has been observed post-resettlement; some residents feel disconnected from the new setting.
- Uniform design approach does not reflect the **diversity of household structures and economic needs**.
- **Inadequate POE mechanisms** limit feedback for improvement.

Recommendations / Comments:

- Design spaces that support **cultural continuity and economic livelihood** (e.g., markets, communal workspaces).
- Ensure adequate **natural light and ventilation** in all rooms.
- Provide **barrier-free access** in ground-floor units and adapt designs for multigenerational use.
- Use the site as a **pilot for scalable, adaptive, and inclusive resettlement**—incorporate POEs to inform future policies.
- Organize **community fire drills** with special attention to elderly and vulnerable populations.
- Strengthen **community governance structures** to support participatory upgrades and post-resettlement cohesion.

UPDATE FROM SITE 04



PANEL DISCUSSION & CERTIFICATE

This initiative marks a critical step towards building a more inclusive and socially conscious architectural community under the ARCASIA umbrella.

General Integrated Comments (All Sites)

- **Human-centered design** must be the guiding principle—focusing on dignity, identity, health (physical and mental), and opportunity.
- Encourage **bottom-up planning** with meaningful community participation and architectural empathy.
- Prioritize **health and hygiene**, especially through localized educational campaigns, adequate drainage, and waste management systems.
- Design with **inclusive access, especially for the elderly and differently abled**, in all resettlement models.
- Shift from viewing housing as a shelter to seeing it as a **space of empowerment, culture, and economic resilience**.
- Integrate **Post-Occupancy Evaluations** systematically into every project to create an iterative learning and design loop.
- Empower residents through **capacity-building** and ensure continuity in **livelihoods and social ties**.
- Take advantage of **natural site features** to improve quality of life and environmental resilience.
- “**Build Back Better**” should mean more than rebuilding structures—it must mean restoring community life and expanding possibilities.

GENERAL INTEGRATED FINDINGS

PHASE ONE
On-site Exploration
April 26-29 ,2025

This phase has provided participants with direct, immersive experiences into the work of **architects in Thailand** who are engaged with marginalized communities.

Attendees has explored **methodologies, design processes, and the tangible social impacts** of community-centered architectural practices.

PHASE TWO
Online Knowledge Sharing
June -July ,2025

Upon returning to their home countries, participants will connect with local architects involved in similar work from their context.

They will gather case studies, methodologies, and community impacts to be shared in an online platform. This phase aims to build a **knowledge base and foster a transnational network of architects working with marginalized communities.**



E- PUBLICATION

PHASE THREE
Youth Engagement and Knowledge Dissemination

The final phase will aim to involve young architects, preferably through the **ACYA (ARCASIA Committee of Young Architects)**, in spreading the acquired knowledge.

This will help raise awareness, inspire interest, and nurture a new generation of socially responsible architects across the region.



THE 21st
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Incheon, KOREA



Forum 2

Social Outreach
- Architects as Good Citizens

KIRA / Co-moderator:
Farhana Shamin Emu (IAB, ACSR Chair)

Meeting Room 15:30~17:00

This forum will invite three institutions from ARCASIA's 23 member countries (including KIRA) to present exemplary cases of "Architecture for Marginalized Communities." The session will begin with presentations by the winners of the Barry Will Award (2nd or 3rd cycle), commemorating Ar. Barry Will of HKIA.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Date: September 12th (Friday)

Time: 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM *(to be finalized)*

Venue: Incheon (exact location TBD)

Moderators: TBD – Jointly proposed by KIRA & Farhana Shamin Emu (IAB), Chairperson ACSR 2024–25

Session Overview

Architects often focus on professional achievements, which can lead to a perception of the field as recognition- or profit-driven. Yet, many architects across ARCASIA work tirelessly for marginalized communities, advancing social, economic, and environmental justice. This forum aims to recognize such efforts, encourage knowledge-sharing, and explore replication opportunities across Asia.

Program Agenda:

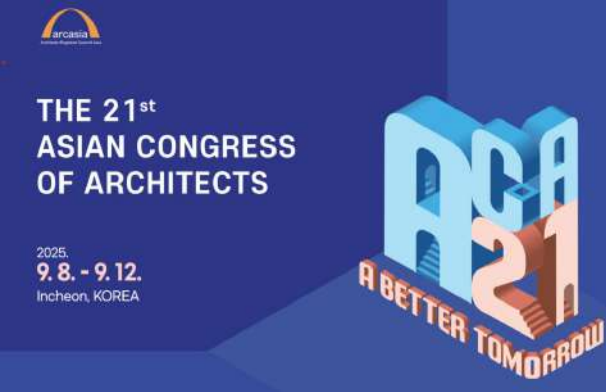
Time	Agenda	Speaker(s)
5 min	Opening Remarks – Welcome & Encouragement	<u>ARCASIA</u> President / Zone VP
10 min	Launch of the E Publication: "Architecture with Marginalized Communities" –not decided	
10 min	Barry Will Award Presentation (3rd Cycle winners)	Awardees
45 min	Best Practice Presentations – Projects for marginalized communities	KIRA, <u>[TBD]</u> (x2)
15 min	Round Table Discussion & Q&A	Speakers & Participants
5 min	Concluding Remarks – Summary & Final Thoughts	–

- Free and open to ARCASIA & KIRA members, architecture/design students, and the public
- No prior registration required

Organized by: **KIRA in collaboration with ACSR**

THE 21ST ASIAN CONGRESS OF ARCHITECTS

Architects as Good Citizens: Social Outreach Round Table



Exhibition Request by ACSR

ACSR has requested an exhibition space to showcase “Best Practice” architectural projects for marginalized communities during the forum. We are currently awaiting confirmation from KIRA’s exhibition team regarding thesubmission criteria. We have a team who are ready to create an E publication with the submissions.

Selection Criteria for the Three Presentations

The final criteria are yet to be confirmed, but here is the preliminary plan I have in mind (not discussed with KIRA as of now):

1. **One Presentation from KIRA** – As hosts, KIRA will present one of their projects. This was proposed by Ar. Gibson and I fully support it, especially since the forum is open to KIRA members and students.
2. **One Presentation may be based on the Workshop Outcome** – Subject to the completion of the workshop and discussions with ARCASIA OBs and the KIRA team, the second presentation may showcase a relevant outcome from the Thailand workshop.
3. **Third Presentation Options** – To invite a renowned community architect from the region to present an overview of what is happening throughout Asia in Architecture with Marginalized Communities.

Evaluation of Impact and Participation

I have been coordinating closely with Ar. Gibson from KIRA on ensuring both the relevance and engagement of this forum. Since this proposal originated from KIRA, I believe they are best positioned to address the concerns regarding participation and overall impact.

TASKFORCE B

Universal - Wellness Campaign Program

This proposed collaboration aims to leverage **ACAE's expertise in architectural education** and **ACSR's focus on social responsibility** to create a meaningful learning experience for architectural students and future young architects.

Proposal 1: UD-WD Online Design Competition

ACSR_ACSR CROSS-COMMITTEE ROUND TABLE (CCRT MEETING 2023)
1 & 2 DECEMBER 2023, BRUNEI

Universal Design for Adaptive Reuse (UDAR) in Society
Saturday, 2nd December 2023
9AM - 11AM
Lecture Theatre, Universiti Teknologi Brunei

Architects' Sustainable Social Responsibilities

Ar. Thomas Cheung
Chairperson of the ARCASIA
Committee on Social Responsibility (ACSR)

Architects being the leaders of our building industry are responsible on the planning, design and construction of our built environment. Architects need to integrate different sustainable design to create quality space for the well-being of our community.

Under numerous complicated changing factors nowadays such as climate changes, digitization and automation, old district renewal, rural urbanization, changing demographics, waste management, etc. happening around us, architects should find the way to implement their social responsibilities in a sustainable way to maintain our community friendly-living.

Universal Design: Architecture for All Enhancing Accessibility and Quality of Life

Adjunct Prof. Ar. Adrianta Aziz
ACAE Chairman
PAM Deputy President

Universal Design is the guiding philosophy that extends beyond accessibility for people with disabilities in architecture. It emphasizes that true beauty and comfort in our living spaces can only be achieved if everyone, regardless of age, ability, or any demographic, can move freely and perform essential tasks independently. This concept, also known as inclusive design, focuses on making the built environment, products, and spaces accessible to all individuals.

Universal Design has its roots in broader accessibility movements and incorporates aesthetics seamlessly into the core considerations. In essence, it simplifies and enriches life, promoting health and friendliness for everyone, reducing stigma, and leveling the playing field for people with disabilities. Universal Design is truly Architecture for All.

Student Member	FREE
PUJA Member	BND 30
Non-PUJA Member	BND 40

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UPDATE FROM TASKFORCE B

PROPOSAL 01

STUDENT DESIGN COMPETITION FOR INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE

Proposed a student design competition aimed at fostering creativity and innovation among architecture students in addressing societal needs through architecture. This competition focuses on the following:

1. Promoting Universal Design
2. Enhancing Health & Wellness

The winning design will be constructed as a public-use facility, emphasizing simplicity and cost-effectiveness. This will be a collaboration effort between ACSR & ACAE.

OBJECTIVES

1. **Promote Design Excellence** Encourage students to develop innovative and sustainable architectural solutions.
2. **Educational Experience** Provide students with a practical learning experience that addresses real-world challenges.
3. **Community Impact** Create designs that positively impact marginalized communities and promote social inclusion.
4. **Professional Development** Offer students a platform to showcase their talents and gain recognition in the field of architecture.

RATIONALE FOR COLLABORATION:

1. A Sequel of the ACSR-ACAE Agreement:

Since the agreement has been made in ARCASIA meeting in Brunei last December 2023, this would be one of the best projects to collaborate and implement.

2. Comprehensive Approach

By combining ACSR's focus on social responsibility with ACAE's expertise in architectural education, we can create a comprehensive approach to teaching inclusive and sustainable design principles.

3. Capacity Building

This collaboration will help build the capacity of architecture students and educators to integrate social responsibility into their design processes.

4. Networking Opportunities

Collaborative projects and workshops will provide networking opportunities for students, educators, and professionals interested in inclusive and sustainable design.

5. Knowledge Sharing

ACSR can share real-world case studies and best practices with ACAE, enriching the educational experience for students and educators.

6. Promoting Innovation

This collaboration will encourage innovation in architectural education and practice, leading to more creative and impactful design solutions

TASKFORCE B. UD-WD Online Design Competition

Competition Details

- **Eligibility**
 - Open to architecture students currently enrolled in ARCASIA member countries.
- **Theme**
 - "Designing for Tomorrow: Creating Inclusive and Sustainable Architecture."
- **Site Selection**
 - Identify a public space in need of renovation or enhancement, ensuring the project aligns with local needs and regulations.
- **Design Criteria**
 - Designs must prioritize accessibility, sustainability, cost-effectiveness, and community impact.
- **Jury Panel**
 - Comprising experts in architecture, urban planning, sustainability, and community development.
- **Prize**
 - The winning design will be constructed, with the winning team receiving recognition and a modest financial award.

Expected Outcomes

- 1. Design Innovation**

Showcase innovative design concepts that address pressing societal challenges.
- 2. Learning Experience**

Provide students with hands-on experience in developing real-world architectural solutions.
- 3. Community Engagement**

Engage with local communities to understand their needs and incorporate them into the design process.
- 4. SDG Alignment**

This competition aligns with several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), including Goal 3 (Good Health and Well-being), Goal 4 (Quality Education), Goal 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), and Goal 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).

PROPOSED WEBINAR SERIES

The primary objective of the proposed webinar series is to equip participants with the necessary knowledge and understanding of Universal Design, Wellness Design, Sustainability, and considerations for Marginalised Communities.

This preparatory series aims to ensure that competitors are well-informed and better prepared to develop innovative and impactful design solutions for the competition.

TASKFORCE B. UD-WD Online Design Competition

ACSR SCOPE OF WORK

1. Concept Development:

- Define the competition's theme, objectives, and criteria focusing on inclusivity and sustainability.
- Ensure the theme aligns with Universal Design principles and SDGs.

2. Guideline Preparation:

- Develop detailed guidelines and requirements for the competition submissions, emphasizing accessibility and sustainable design elements.

3. Partnership and Sponsorship:

- Identify and secure partnerships with organizations and companies that support inclusivity and sustainability.
- Seek sponsorship to provide funding for prizes, event logistics, and marketing.

4. Promotion and Outreach:

- Develop and implement a promotional strategy to reach out to architecture schools, students, and professionals across the ARCASIA region.
- Use social media, newsletters, and ARCASIA's network to spread awareness about the competition.

5. Judging Panel:

- Select and invite experts in Universal Design, sustainability, and social responsibility to join the judging panel.
- Ensure the panel includes diverse representation to provide comprehensive evaluations.

6. Evaluation Criteria:

- Establish clear evaluation criteria that reflect the competition's focus on inclusivity and sustainability.
- Provide training or guidelines to judges on these criteria.

7. Event Organization:

- Plan and coordinate the logistics for the competition events, including submission deadlines, judging timelines, and award ceremonies.
- Organize workshops or webinars related to Universal Design and sustainability as part of the competition activities.

8. Feedback and Mentorship:

- Arrange for feedback sessions where participants can receive constructive criticism on their designs.
- Set up mentorship opportunities with experts in the field to guide participants in refining their designs.

ACAE SCOPE OF WORK

1. Engagement with Educational Institutions:

- Coordinate with architecture schools and universities to encourage student participation.
- Integrate the competition into academic curricula or as a part of design studio projects.

2. Curriculum Development:

- Develop educational resources and modules on inclusive and sustainable architecture to support students in their competition entries.
- Provide faculty with materials and guidance to incorporate these themes into their teaching.

3. Workshops and Seminars:

- Organize preparatory workshops and seminars on Universal Design and sustainability for participating students.
- Invite experts to deliver lectures and conduct interactive sessions.

4. Resource Provision:

- Provide access to resources such as research papers, case studies, and design tools that support inclusive and sustainable architecture.
- Create a repository of relevant materials accessible to all participants.

5. Competition Administration:

- Handle the administrative aspects of the competition, including registration, submission management, and communication with participants.
- Ensure that all submissions meet the competition guidelines and requirements.

6. Student Support:

- Offer support services to students, such as Q&A sessions, forums for discussion, and one-on-one guidance from faculty or professionals.
- Establish peer review systems where students can give and receive feedback on their designs.

7. Assessment and Feedback:

- Collaborate with ACSR to review and assess competition entries based on the established criteria.
- Facilitate feedback loops where students can learn from the assessment results.

8. Publication and Dissemination:

- Publish the winning entries and notable designs in academic journals, ARCASIA publications, and online platforms.
- Promote the competition results and the importance of inclusive and sustainable design in architectural education and practice.

TIMELINE OF THE ONLINE COMPETITION

1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half	1st Half	2nd Half
PROPOSED COMPETITION TIMELINE											Define Competition Theme	Foming Planning Committee	Develop Competition Guideline				Competition Promotion	Registration	Design Development Phase				Submission, Jury & Result Publication		

TASKFORCE B

Universal - Wellness Campaign Program

Proposal 2: Compilation / Library of Universal - Wellness Design Guidelines





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Zone C: AAM, ASC, HKIA, JIA, KAU, KIRA, UMA

CC:
ARC President + OBs + CCs

Subject: Request to share Universal Design Guidelines, Wellness Design Guidelines and any other Guidelines incorporating Universal Design or Wellness Design, as adopted in your country/state.

Esteemed Presidents of ARCASIA Member Institutes,
Greetings from ACSR ARCASIA Committee on Social Responsibility!

The ACSR Committee of ARCASIA is dedicated to promoting and advancing Universal Design and Wellness Design principles in architectural practice across Asia. In line with this objective, we propose to compile a comprehensive repository of Universal Design and Wellness Design Guidelines from all ARCASIA member institutes


Rationale

The purpose of this initiative is to establish a shared pool of design guidelines to serve as a reference for all member institutes. By gathering these documents, we can create a resource that enables members to:


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Expected Outcomes

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Soft copies of these documents may be uploaded at [provide link or email address for submission].


We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to your valuable contributions.

For any clarification, please feel to communicate (WhatsApp contact: +8801819263248).
Thank you for your kind cooperation and support.


Best regards,




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- Helen Keller**

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