



COMMITTEE REPORT

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PRESIDENT AR. SAIFUDDIN 'S VISION KEY FRAME WORK

L LEGACY
O OVERALL / INCLUSIVITY
V VISIBILITY
E ENVIRONMENT



17 SDG GOALS



1 NO POVERTY 	2 ZERO HUNGER 	3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING 	4 QUALITY EDUCATION 	5 GENDER EQUALITY 	6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION
7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY 	8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH 	9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE 	10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES 	11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES 	12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
13 CLIMATE ACTION 	14 LIFE BELOW WATER 	15 LIFE ON LAND 	16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS 	17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS 	

ARCASIA CHARTER ON SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (ACSR)



(ACSR) ARCASIA
Committee on Social Responsibility

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November 2015

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2-1. THE CHARTER 2015

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.

(EU Commission "Corporate Social Responsibility: A business contribution to sustainable development", 2002)

Social Responsibility is an ethical ideology or theory that an entity, be it an organisation or individual, has an obligation to act to benefit society at large.

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

Accountability

ARCASIA supports initiatives to encourage individual professionals and companies engaged in architectural practice to conform to socially responsible standards.

Transparency

ARCASIA supports a policy of total transparency with all stakeholders in order to build trust, create a positive brand image and reduce reputational risks in times of crisis.

Respect for Stakeholder Interests

ARCASIA supports respect for the interests of all stakeholders, including ongoing engagement and formal acknowledgement of stakeholders' expectations.

Respect for the Rule of Law

ARCASIA respects the rule of law and the legal systems as applied in all respective Member Organization countries.

Respect for International Norms of Behaviour

ARCASIA supports respect for international norms of behaviour in order to promote and protect the implementation of adequate environmental and social safeguards.

Respect for Human Rights

ARCASIA encourages and supports respect for human rights and strives to secure dignity and equality for all people.

Social responsibility: 7 core subjects



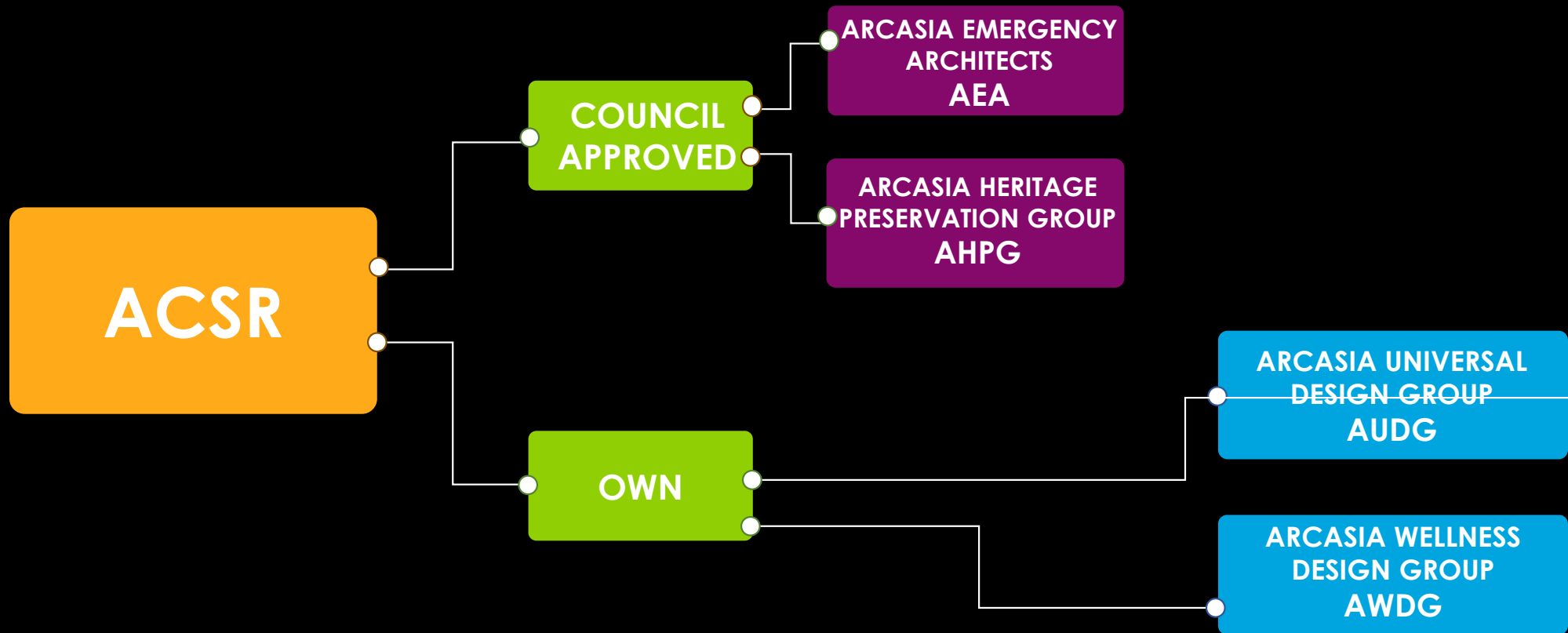


CHAIRMAN'S VISION TO BE MORE INCLUSIVE TO MAKE

ARCASIA FOR ALL

- **BY PROMOTING ASIAN COMMUNITY ARCHITECTS WHO WORK FOR / WITH THE MARGINALIZED COMMUNITY**
- **BY PROMOTING GENDER EQUALITY**

PRESENT SITUATION





PROPOSED SPECIAL ACTIONS FOR ACSR 2024-25

- **TO CREATE A PANEL OF ACSR ADVISORS**
- **TO REVISIT / REVIEW OF ACSR CHARTER**



OBJECTIVE FROM THE CHAIR FOR REVISIT / REVIEW THE ACSR CHARTER

- **TO INTRODUCE THE CHARTER AMONG ALL MEMBERS OF ACSR**
- **TO MAKE THE BEST USE OF THE CHARTER**
- **TO MAKE THE GROUP MORE STRUCTURED IN FUTURE**
- **WITH THE INTENSION TO UPDATE AND SIGNED BY ALL INSTITUTES' PRESIDENTS**



SUMMERY COMMENTS FROM THE LAST OB/CC MEETING

- President seems very oncerned on how the Committee is working, it is getting **too big** and now even proposing more sub-committees again.
- As an immediate plan, revision of ACSR Charter is the key action, to submit draft soonest for review for tabling at OBCC Meeting in Bangkok (May).
- AEA & AHPG are council approved groups while the rest are add-ons.
- ACSR to have quick meeting amongst Committee members especially past Chairmen on how to move forward on the group matters especially since at last Council Meeting, there was a push for the AHPG to have its own Committee and it is a big thing now around the world.
- The advisor opined that the more Committees created, the more commitment will be required from the member institutes by having to nominate more members to sit in the various committees.
- The advisor focused on having short term , mid term and long term programs, At the end of the day ARASIA needs to focus on what really matters to the organization. The output has to be something tangible - otherwise there will be much talking but no outcome.



**PROPOSED PANEL OF ACSR ADVISORS
THE PAST CHAIRPERSONS , ACSR**



**Ar. Joseph Kwan
2011-2014**

**Ar. Rita Soh
2015-2016**

**Ar Sudhir
Balakrishnan Pillai
2017-2018**

**Ar. Russell Dandeniya
2019-2021**

**Ar. Thomas Cheung
2022-2023**

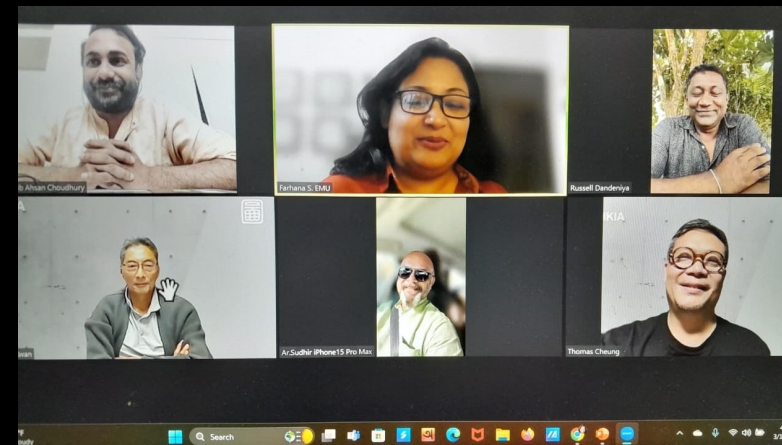


SUMMARY OF THE ADVISORS' OPINIONS

- All four past chairs agreed upon the fact that the charter is the basic guiding principle of ACSR, and due to the changing wind, the charter should be reviewed / revisited. A group can be formed to review the charter.
- Advisory Panel can help the committee to perform in a more structured way. Developing a guideline and reforming the extended groups can be under the reviewed charter and themes.
- Urged the necessity of the structure for the groups under ACSR . The add on groups can be seen as different tasks. ACSR need not have more committees. Not all member institutes need to join each group.
- AEA and AHPG can be separated as individual committees or be part of ACSR in future .It's up to the Council to decide.
- The idea of working with the architects who work for marginalized community is good since it seems to be very much under ACSR.
- Getting the woman in the practice is a very pertinent topic. But different countries have differences in family culture and other ways with influencing women in leadership in architectural practice. We should be careful while touching anything sensitive like gender.
- Ar.Joseph ad Ar.Sudhir will oversee the task of review of the Charter.

The meeting was held at 5:00 pm Malaysian time,
19 th March, Tuesday 2024

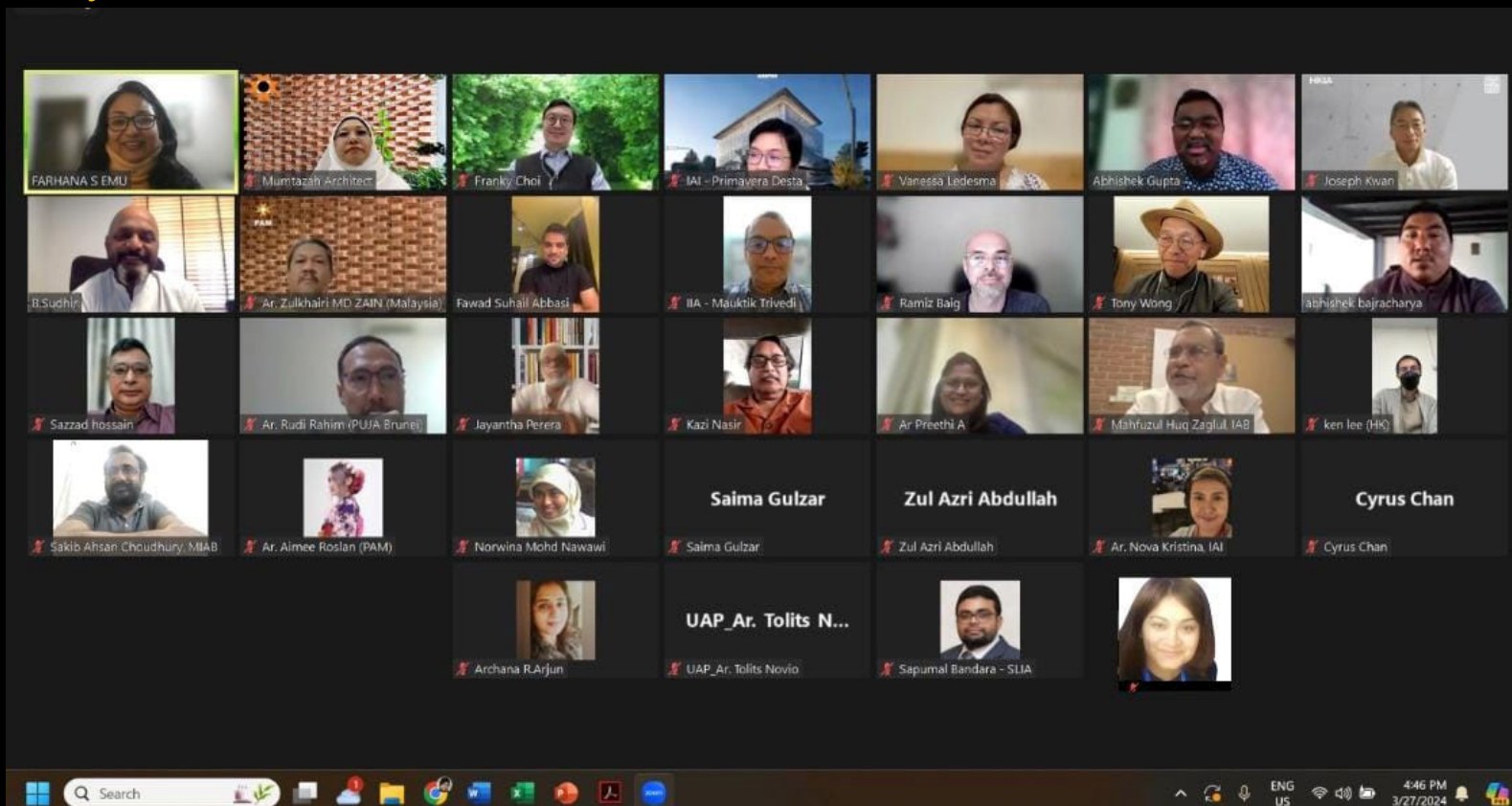
Ar. Joseph Kwan , Ar Sudhir Balakrishnan Pillai , Ar. Russell Dandeniya and Ar. Thomas Cheung attended the meeting



SUMMARY OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting was held at 4:00 pm Malaysian time, 27 th March, Wednesday 2024

It was a combined committee meeting and around 36 members from different groups including Ar. Joseph Kwan and Ar Sudhir Balakrishnan Pillai (the supervisors of the charter) had joined.

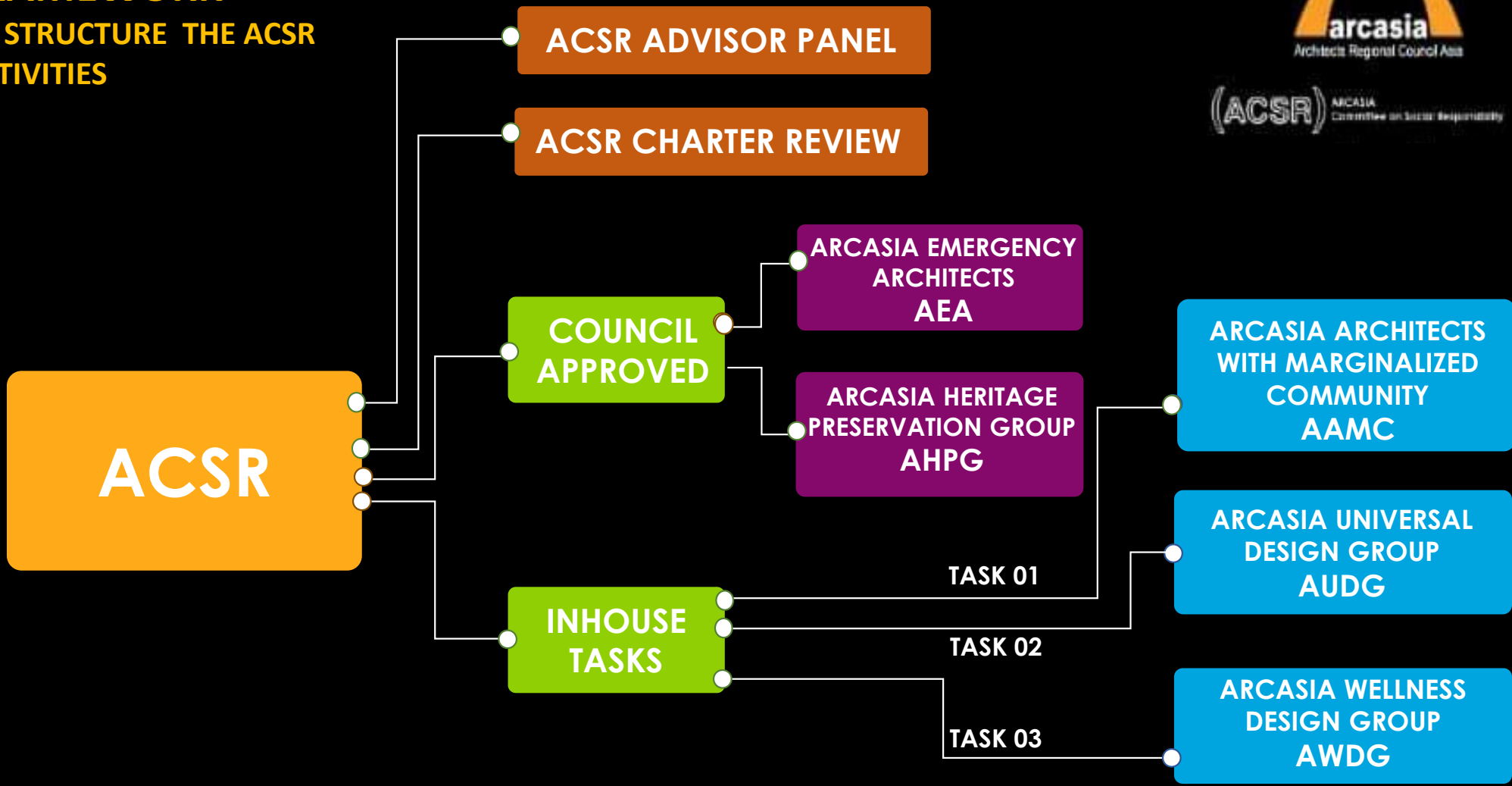




SUMMERY OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING

- After the discussion, the floor came to a decision to form a taskforce to review the charter according to the suggestions. The Task force of 9 volunteer members will work under the supervision from two past Chairs Ar. Joseph and Ar. Sudhir and the present Committee Chair Ar. Emu.
- The committee decided that it will recognize the volunteer works to upheld the enthusiasms.
- The committee agreed on the proposal of the chair to continue with the 02 [two] council approved groups :
 1. Asian Emergency Architects &
 2. ARCAAsia Heritage Conservation Group and others as tasks,
 3. Task01: ARCAAsia Architects with Marginalized Communities,
 4. Task02: ARCAAsia Universal Design Group and
 5. Task03: ARCAAsia Wellness Design Group.
- The committee also decided upon the timeline of the taskforce and made it certain that it will sign the charter by member institutes on the council meeting scheduled at September 2024.

PROPOSED TASK BASED FRAMEWORK TO STRUCTURE THE ACSR ACTIVITIES





**THANKS A LOT
FOR ALL YOUR PATIENCE AND TIME**