

The Korea Institute of Registered Architects (KIRA) is a non-profit organization established in 1965. Affiliated with the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MOLIT) of South Korea, KIRA provides its members with a community of architects who prioritize the benefit of the public by preserving architectural dignity, protecting the rights of architects, enhancing architectural technology, and cultivating a lasting history and culture of architecture.

Date of Establishment	23 October 1965
Name of the President	KIM, Jaerok
Number of the Members	17,693 (July 2026)
Number of the Architects	20,861 (July 2026)
HQ & Chapters	HQ in Seoul / 17 Chapters and 138 Regional Chapter Offices

■ Fundraising and Distribution of Relief Donations for Wildfire-Damaged Areas

In March 2025, big wildfires with strong winds caused serious damage in Gyeongbuk, Gyeongnam, Ulsan, and Jeonbuk. To help people who lost their homes and support fast recovery, KIRA started a fundraising campaign with all its members. From March 25 to April 10, 2025, a total of 2,478 architects across Korea joined this campaign, raising about USD 240,000. These donation funds were used to rebuild damaged houses and local facilities, helping residents safely return to their daily lives.



■ The 21st Asian Congress of Architects (ACA21)

KIRA successfully hosted the 21st Asian Architects Congress (ACA21) in Incheon, Republic of Korea.

- **Date** : 8-12 September 2025
- **Venue** : Incheon, Korea (@SongdoConvensia)
- **Visitors** : 8,872



■ Korean Architecture Award(KAA)

The Korea Architecture Award is one of the nation's most prestigious architectural recognitions, honoring excellence and innovation in design. It celebrates outstanding architects and exemplary projects that enrich urban environments and elevate Korea's architectural culture.

- 2025 Grand Prize -



Jurye Open Library | Public Sector



Kyochon 1991 Building | Private Sector



Seoul e-Pyeonghansang Urban Bridge | Residential Sector



Seohuijae | Hanok Sector

■ The 11th APEC Architect Project Central Council Meeting

KIRA hosted the 11th APEC Architect Project Central Council Meeting in Gyeongju.

- **Date** : 11-14 November 2025
- **Venue** : Gyeongju, Korea (@Hwang Nyong Won)



■ The 17th Seoul International Architecture Film Festival

SIAFF is Asia's only architecture film festival, advancing architectural culture through cinema.

- **Date** : 12-25 September 2025
- **Venue** : Arthouse Momo(Offline), NaverTV(Online)
- **Visitors** : 65,314



■ Korea Architecture Fair and Festival 2025 (KAFF)

KAFF is Korea's specialized architecture exhibition, showcasing the latest building materials and architectural technologies.

- **Date** : 5-7 November 2025
- **Venue** : COEX
- **Visitors** : 4,530 (Architects & Engineers)



■ Publishing the 60-Year History of KIRA

KIRA has faithfully compiled and published this historical chronicle every ten years as a core mission to preserve our shared legacy. This decennial archiving process not only honors our past achievements but also serves as an invaluable guidepost for the next generation of architects.

