

2022



BRIEF OVERVIEW OF SLIA 2021/2022



- The Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA) was formed on 17th September 1957, with a Constitution for functioning on the model of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA).

COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL

- The Council consists of a total of (20) Twenty Members comprising Eight (08) Office Bearers and Four (04) Chairmen of Boards dealing with Education, Professional Affairs, Publications and Management; who are elected for a term of two years whilst the balance members numbering eight are elected each year.
- The present Council was appointed in February 2021 and will be in office till February 2022, but the office bearers will continue until February 2023.

THE OFFICE BEARERS FOR THE SESSIONS 2021/2022 AND 2022/2023

Arch. Russell Dandeniya, (FIA)	President
Arch. Veranjan Kurukulasuriya, (FIA)	Immediate Past President Senior
Arch. Rohana Bandara Herath, (FIA)	Vice President
Arch. Dilummini De Mel, (FIA)	Vice President Hony.
Arch. Nandaka Jayasinghe, (AIA)	Secretary Hony.
Arch. Damith Premathilake, (AIA)	Treasurer
Arch. Piumal Fernando, (AIA) Arch. Lal Abeyratne, (FIA)	Hony. Asst. Secretary Hony. Asst. Treasurer



SLIA FLAG

ANNUAL SESSION 2022/23

INAUGURATION CEREMONY

The Inauguration Ceremony was held on Wednesday the 23rd February 2022 at 09.00 am at the Balmoral of the Kingsbury Hotel Colombo. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation it was held as a hybrid event with participation limited to 200.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The National Conference was also held on Wednesday the 23rd February 2022 at 11.00 am immediately after the Inauguration Ceremony at the Balmoral of the Kingsbury Hotel Colombo on the theme “**Architecture for Wellbeing**”.

Conference outcome will be distributed as a policy guidebook in the upcoming Annual General Meeting AGM to formulate National policies.



MEMBERS WORK AND TRADE EXHIBITION 2022

The Members Work and trade Exhibition was held from 24th to 27th February at BMICH. SLIA appreciates the effort and commitment of Chairperson Archt. Dilummini De Mel and her committee despite the following challenges faced:

- Reducing the cost of hosting the exhibition by 50% compared to the previous years, due to the significant reduction of participants because of the current economic and pandemic situations when many commercial establishments were closing down owing to lack of business
- The need to earn revenue in order to infuse much needed finances for the Institute
- Provide exposure to members and the trade during a very difficult period of the industry
- Provide an opportunity for students at schools to display their talents and interaction among them as a new item.

Notwithstanding the above challenges the event was successfully completed and the effort of the Vice President Archt. Dilummini De Mel and her team is greatly commended.



TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION

- **2021 DECLARED AS A DIGITAL YEAR**

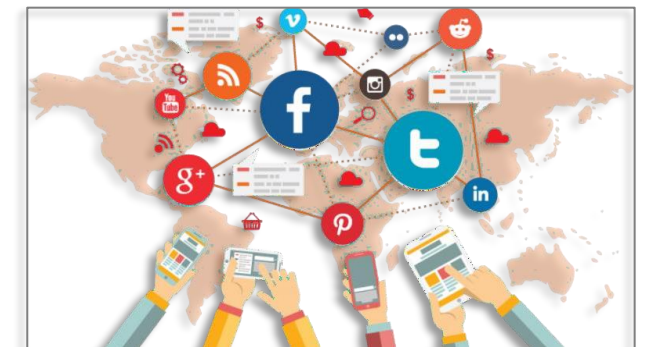
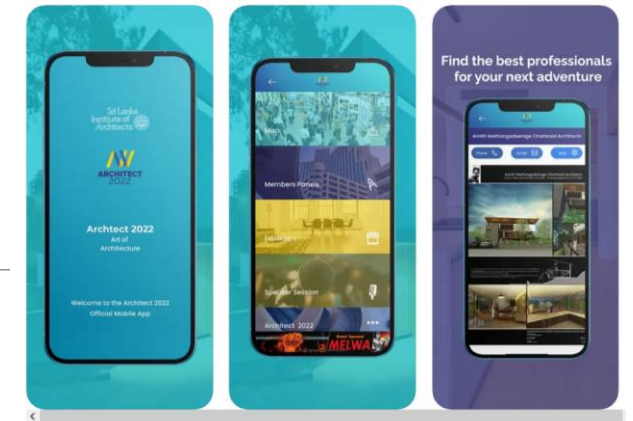
2021 has been declared a digital year and measures were taken to hold the Inaugural Virtual Sessions including Trade platform, mobile App, Digital exhibition.

- **ADOPTION OF ERP SYSTEM TO SLIA**

In order to streamline activities and to smooth functioning of remote access SLIA has taken steps to establish an ERP system to enhance efficiency and accuracy with more coordinated secretarial activities.

- **REVISION OF REGULATIONS – E-MEETINGS**

Progressive regulation changes were made to regularize discussions and decisions taken at virtual and hybrid meetings (applicable for AGM's, QGM's, SGM's, Council and Committee Meetings) as legitimate decision-making process.



DIGITALIZING SLIA AWARDS

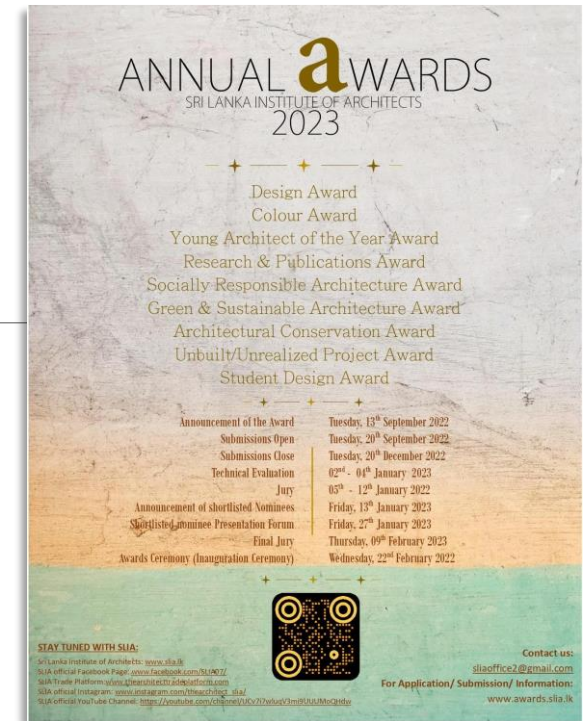
SLIA ANNUAL AWARDS

In coping with the present restrictive conditions, the Awards Committee launched the Online Web Portal to receive submission of entries for the SLIA Annual Awards 2021/2022 Cycle in September 2021. Its success was proved with the receipt of a total of 35 entries in the categories Design, Colour, Young Architect, Architectural Conservation, Green and Sustainable Architecture, Socially Responsible Architecture, Research and Publication.



INTRODUCING OF NEW AWARD CATEGORIES

- Green & Sustainable Architecture award
- Socially Responsible Architecture award
- Unbuilt/ Unrealized Project award



ACTIVE PARTICIPATION FOR ASIA YOUNG DESIGNER AWARDS (AYDA)

The Asia Young Designer (AYDA) Awards Ceremony for Year 2021 was launched, and the four architectural schools informed on 24th March 2022, mentioning they submit entries prior to 28th March 2022. Accordingly, 13 submissions were received from the schools and Jury selection took place on 7th April 2022.



TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION

HYBRID WEBINAR SERIES TO ENGAGE MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLIC

Chairman Archt. Dilummini De Mel informed SLIA that the well attended hybrid seminar was held by SLAPM in collaboration with the Sri Lanka National Arbitration Centre on 23rd June 2022 on “Arbitration as an Alternate Dispute Resolution Method Practiced in the Construction Industry of Sri Lanka.

**WEBINAR ON
ARBITRATION AS AN ALTERNATE
DISPUTE RESOLUTION METHOD**

Organized by the Sri Lanka Association of Project Managers (SLAPM) (Affiliated to Sri Lanka Institute of Architects)
In collaboration with the Sri Lanka National Arbitration Centre (SLNAC)

Speakers

- Archt. Rukshan Widyankara, FIA (SL)**
Past President of the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA)
Chairman of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Sri Lanka
- Mr. Sujeeve Samaraweera**
Chairman of the Sri Lanka National Arbitration Centre (SLNAC)
Former Chairman of the National Chamber of Commerce of Sri Lanka.
- Mr. Hiran de Alwis, ...**
Attorney-at-law
Governor of the Sri Lanka National Arbitration Centre (SLNAC)
Vice President of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Moderator

- Archt. Prof. Chitra Weddikkara, FIA (SL)**
Chartered Quantity Surveyor
Past President of the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA)
Governor of the Sri Lanka National Arbitration Centre

Panellists

- Archt. Jayantha Perera, FIA (SL)**
Past President of the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA)
President Elect, Chamber of the Construction Industry
Founder Member - The Institute of Dispute Management Professionals
- Eng. Malith Mendis**
Chartered Civil Engineer
Arbitrator and Adjudicator
Branch Secretary of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Ch.QS. Senarath Wethasinghe**
Chartered Quantity Surveyor
Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Construction Law and Arbitration
Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

**Thursday
23rd June
6.30 P.M. Onwards**

Join Us via **zoom**
Meeting ID: 874 0549 9604
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EXPLORING ECONOMIC REVIVAL AND ARCHITECTS WAY FORWARD

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - (CPD)

The Professional Affairs Board is organized CPD programmes on the following topics:

- Theme: "Working in the New Normal" Speaker: Ar. Alan Toy, Managing Partner, Formworks Architects
- The theme: "Dealing in the Existing Situation"
The speaker: Mr Reyaz Mihular, Former Managing Partner, KPMG Sri Lanka
- The next CPD Webinar for Session 2022/2023 will be held in September 2022.

A series of webinars are being held by the Boards and various committees of SLIA. To name a few –BOM's "Surviving an Economic Crisis" and "Socio –Economic Path to Recovery".

Many other webinars are to follow in due course to keep the membership updated.

WEBINAR
Friday, 3rd June 2022 at 5.30 pm

Presenter
Mr. Reyaz Mihular
Former Managing Partner, KPMG Sri Lanka

Panelists
Archt. Migara Abey, FIA (SL) Chairman, Professional Affairs Board, SLIA
Archt. Nishal de Silva, FIA (SL) Chairman, CPD Committee, SLIA

Moderator
Archt. Jayantha Perera, FIA (SL)
Past President | Hon. Fellow Sri Lanka Institute of Architects
President Elect Chamber of Construction Industry of Sri Lanka

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CPD - WEBINAR
SLIA - PAB CPD WEBINAR - 4 SESSION 2021 / 2022

"WORKING IN THE NEW NORMAL"
(Friday) 21st January 2022 at 5.30 p.m.

Presenter
Ar. Alan Toy
Managing Partner, Formworks Architects LLP

Moderator
Archt. Nishal de Silva
Chairman, CPD Committee / PAB

SOCIO-ECONOMIC PATH TO RECOVERY:
Placemaking for Rejuvenation and Economic Empowerment

Online Webinar 26th May 2022 | 07.00 PM Onwards

Panelist
Prof. Chitra Weddickara

Panelist
Archt. D.B. Navaratne

Moderator
Archt. Shevya Basnayake

Speaker
Mr. Manju Nishshanka

Meeting ID: 898 6974 3893
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SURVIVING AN ECONOMIC CRISIS
Navigating the Path for Repositioning

15.06.2022 07.00 PM LIVE WEBINAR

Panelist
Archt. Upendra Randeniya

Panelist
Archt. Sripunam Bandara

Moderator
Archt. Dr. Chamenera Udawaththa

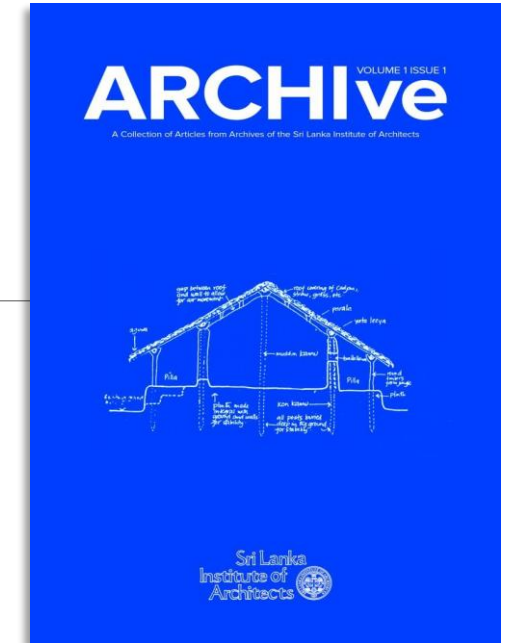
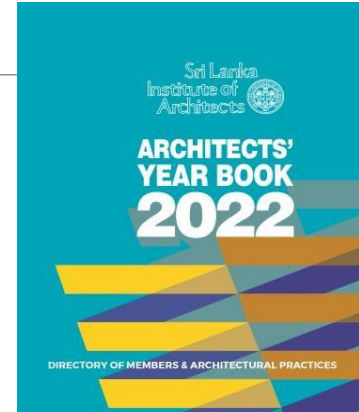
Speaker
Mr. Dhananath Fernando
CEO of Advocata Institute

Register to add your feedback.
Join Us via ZOOM Meeting ID: 870 5002 7879
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CREATING SLIA E-PUBLICATION

SLIA PUBLICATIONS

- The Annual Members Directory & Year Book
- **THE ARCHITECT**” special edition (2 Volumes)
- A Quarterly Journal in Sinhala named **“VASTU”**



SLIA IS IN THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING E-PUBLICATION PLATFORM

CREATING YOUNG ARCHITECT PRESENTATION FORUM

The Young Architect Presentation Forum will be held on Tuesday, 13th September 2022 at The Kingsbury Hotel.

Presentation will be made by Archt. Thilan Kothisigoda

“ Our Pandemic Babies: Architecture Through Unprecedented Times ”

Sri Lanka Institute of Architects

An inspiring evening with Architect Thilan Kothisigoda

Tuesday 13th September 2022

05:00 PM Onwards

At the Balmoral of the The Kingsbury, Colombo

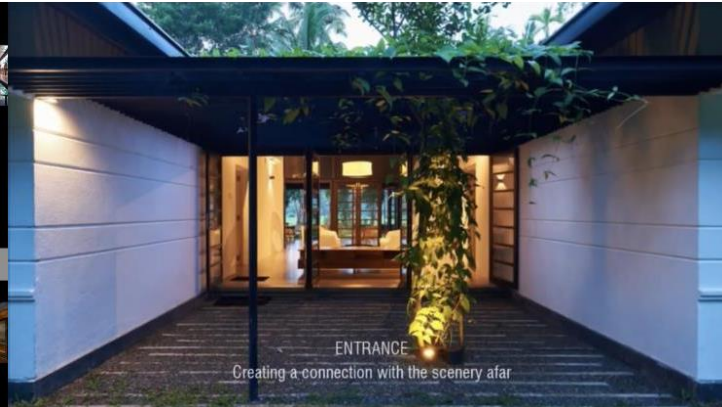
Prior Registration is required. Limited seating. Available on first come first serve basis.

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Followed by the 2nd Quarterly General Meeting and Fellowship

MAKING ARCHITECTURE INCLUSIVE

REACHING PUBLIC FOR AWARENESS TO ENHANCE FOR ARCHITECTS



A series of short presentations of members work on a common theme by 4 Architects with each presentation lasting 3 minutes is uploaded on to SLIA's social media platform with an accompanying sponsor's message lasting 20 seconds.

A new series is uploaded every two weeks for which more presentations are lined up for uploading.

NATURAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT

SRI LANKA GOVERNMENT & SLIA (SLG & SLIA)- JOINT DISASTER RESILIENT QUICK CONSTRUCTIBLE LOW- COST MODEL VILLAGE

Currently, the SLIA Disaster Assistance Unit is working jointly with the Ministry of Disaster Management and Ministry of Housing Authority towards the successful establishment of a “Government of Sri Lanka and SLIA Disaster Resilient Model Village” under the fund allocation from President’s Fund for US \$ 325,000.



REGENERATION OF HISTORICAL URBAN LANDSCAPE

ARCHT. PALI WIJERATNE'S BOOK LAUNCH

The book launch on Dr. Roland Silva by Archt. Pali Wijeratne titled: "Conservation of the Built Heritage of Colombo Fort". Mrs. Neela Silva wife of Dr. Roland Silva also participated as a Special Guest. This event was combined with The AYDA Awards Ceremony and held at the Waters Edge Hotel on 24th June 2022 with Past President Archt. Plnr. Dr. Surath Wickremasinghe as the Chief Guest.



ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION FORUM

Archt. Dr. Nilan Cooray and Archt. Sagara Jayasinghe were invited to write articles with constructive criticism and critical writing on increased awareness of Heritage Preservation. In addition, the committee was requested to prepare a strategy and/or policy on identifying government and private buildings in Colombo for retrofitting and repurposing for future usage as an alternative to new construction needs.



SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

FORMATION OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY BOARD

In view of the continuing need for programmes on Social Responsibility, the SLIA has formed a committee under the Board of Management (BOM) to undertake Corporate Social Responsibility programmes.

FORMATION OF POST COVID ECONOMIC REVIVAL COMMITTEE

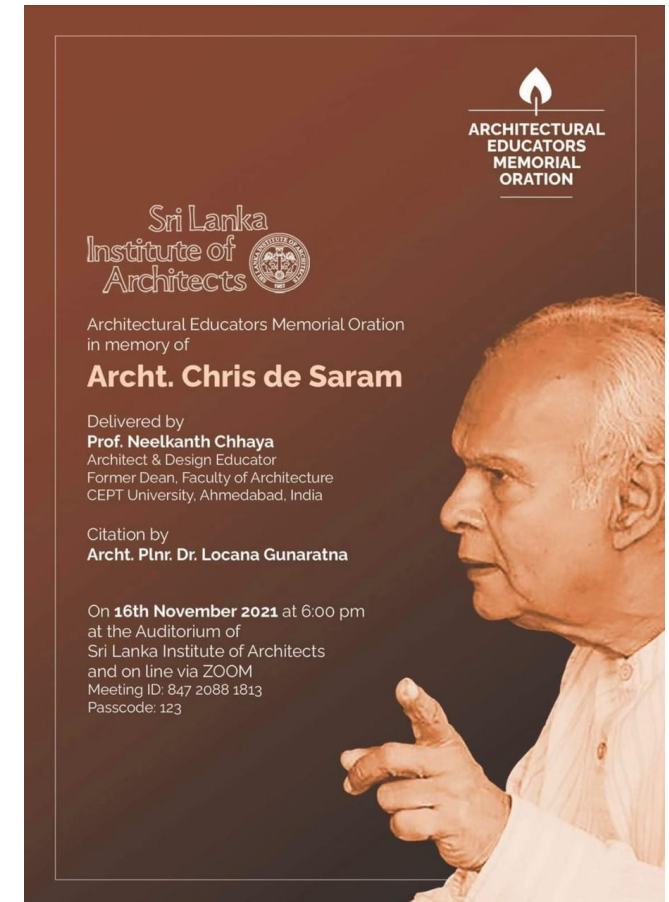
Consequent to the socio-economic crisis including the restriction of around 70% of import of building materials and consequent shortages and worsening situation for architects and their practices, a workshop was held on 06th August 2022 to draw up a proposal for a holistic approach which included exploring new avenues. Accordingly, a proposal comprising 10 items was listed out in this regard.

ESTABLISHMENT OF CHRIS DE SARAM SCHOLARSHIP

FUND AND MEMORIAL LECTURE

The Chris De Saram Memorial Lecture was held on 16th November 2021 and subsequently a Chris De Saram Scholarship Fund was officially launched.

The Account will be monitored by the Board of Trustees of SLIA.



ARCHITECTURAL
EDUCATORS
MEMORIAL
ORATION

Sri Lanka
Institute of
Architects

Architectural Educators Memorial Oration
in memory of
Archt. Chris de Saram

Delivered by
Prof. Neelkanth Chhaya
Architect & Design Educator
Former Dean, Faculty of Architecture
CEPT University, Ahmedabad, India

Citation by
Archt. Plnr. Dr. Locana Gunaratna

On **16th November 2021** at 6:00 pm
at the Auditorium of
Sri Lanka Institute of Architects
and on line via ZOOM
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ACSR COVID 19 TASK FORCE

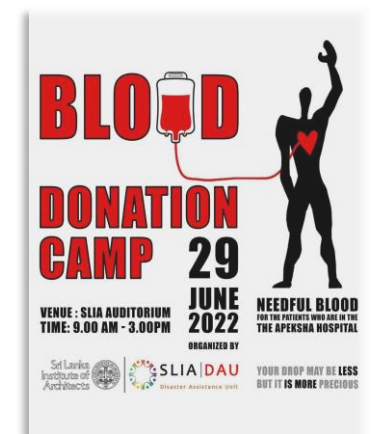
President Archt. Russell Dandeniya as Chairman of the ACSR Committee established a Covid-19 Task Force under his committee and conducted a workshop on August 12th and a webinar on 21 November 2020 to formulate regional guidelines to overcome and support the Pandemic situation.



SLIA BLOOD DONATION CAMPAIGN

As a CSR Project the SLIA's – Disaster Assistance Unit (DAU) once again conducted a 2nd blood donation campaign among the members of SLIA on 29th June 2022 at the SLIA Auditorium.. It was in aid of the Cancer Patients of the Apeksha Hospital.

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ACGs
ARCASIA
COVID-19
Guidelines
Handbook for the Built Environment



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

INFORMATION SOURCING FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY BUILDING CODE OF SRI LANKA

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A SERIES OF MEETINGS WERE HELD AND SLIA COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED TO ASSIST SLTDA FOR PREPARATION OF TOURISM GUIDELINES FOR SRI LANKA

Collaborative presentation forums have been arranged in order to make the membership awareness regarding the guidelines being developed by the SLTDA and the development of the tourism guidelines with the help of a SLIA Committee. UN SDGs mentioned as priority in tourism development sector including qualified local person's involvement for tourism sector development.



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SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE AWARD- STUDENT COMPETITION

.SLIA created design competition among architecture schools to recognize future of built environment through UN SDGs as marking criteria

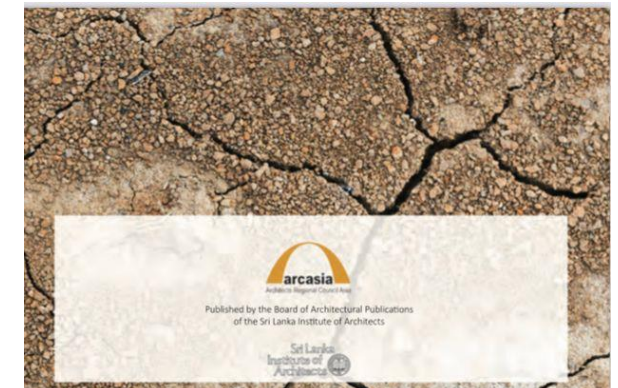
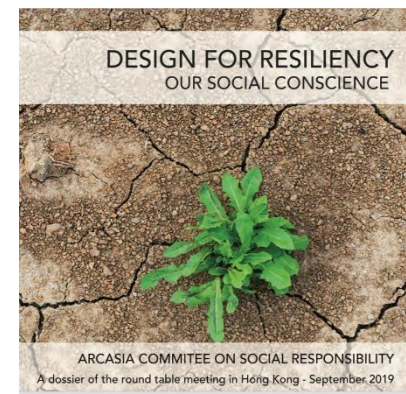
CLIMATE CHANGE

ACSR ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION – COLOMBO 2018

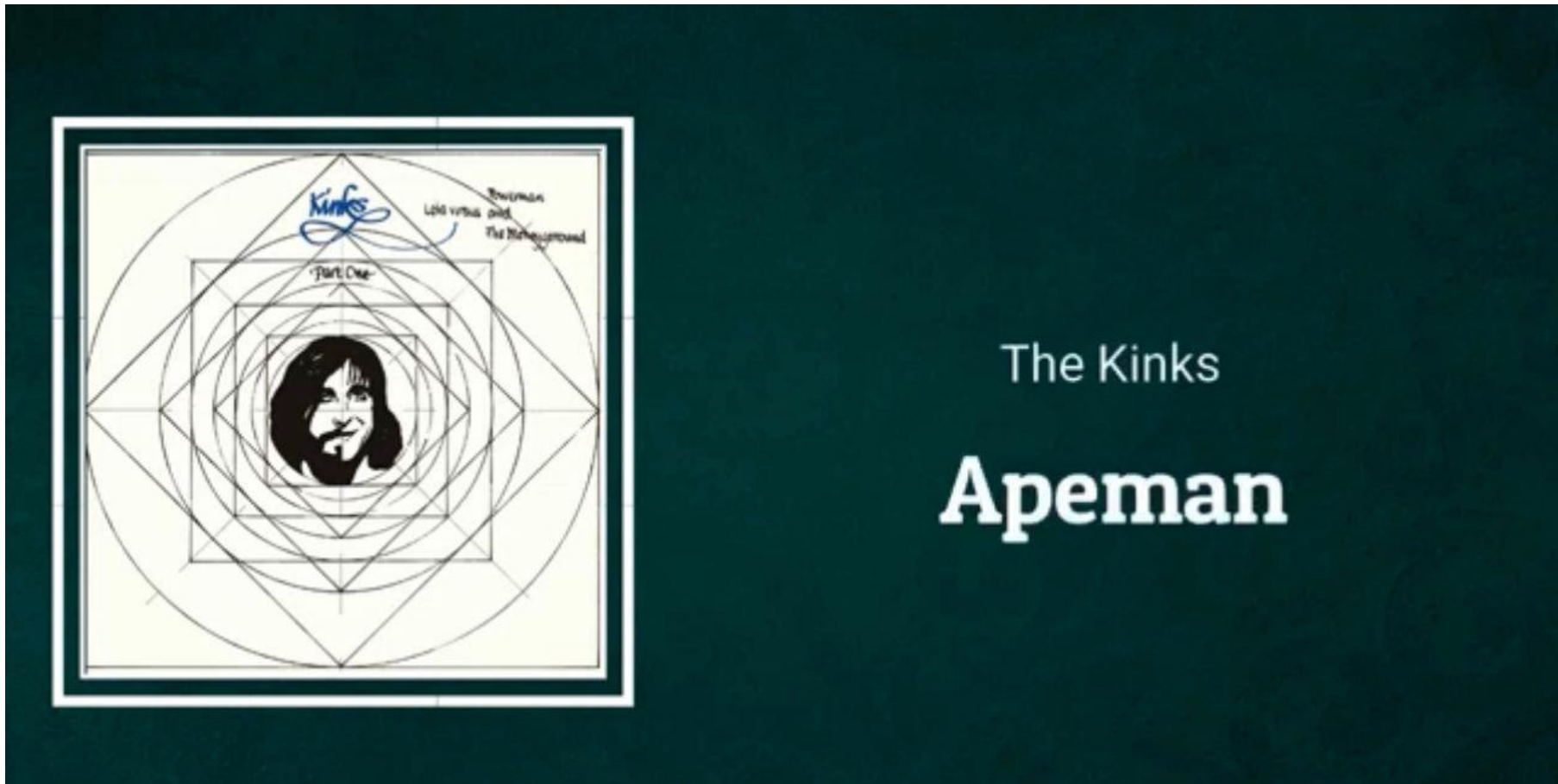
The 9th ACSR Round-Table Discussion was hosted by the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA), under the theme of “CHALLENGES OF CLIMATE CHANGE” on Friday, 23rd February 2018 at Hotel Jaic Hilton, Union Place, Colombo, Sri Lanka. ARCASIA President, ARCASIA Hony. Secretary and 09 ARCASIA Member countries were participated to the event.

ACTIVE PARTICIPATION ON ALL ARCASIA ENDEAVORS

SLIA initiated first ever ARCASIA discussion forum on the theme of Climate change and it was followed up with Colombo resolution subsequent Hong Kong resolution via publication of a booklet Design for Resiliency, our social conscience.



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