



THE HONG KONG INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS COUNTRY REPORT 2023

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1. Brief History of the Institute

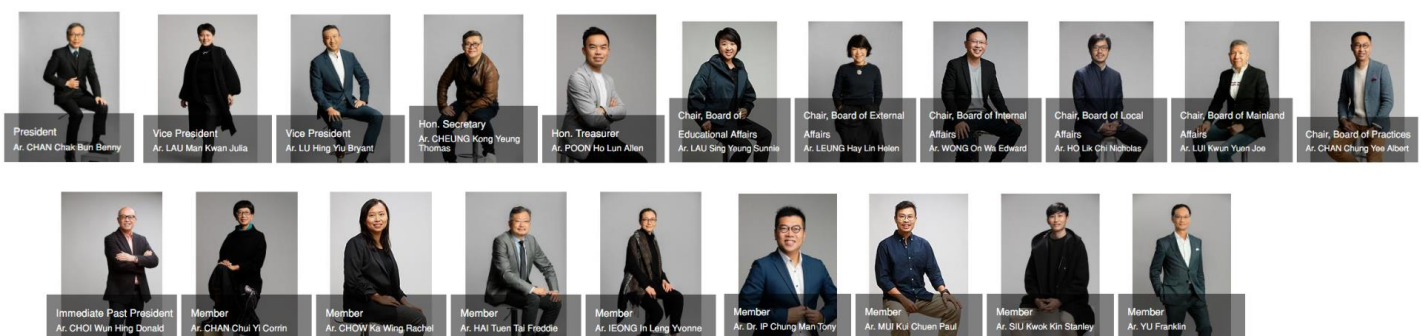
On 3rd September 1956, 27 architects gathered and formed a Society “for the general advancement of Civil Architecture and for promoting and facilitating the acquirement of the knowledge of the various Arts and Sciences.” Thus The Hong Kong Society of Architects was formed. On 7th May, 1957, the first amendments were made, to stand for over two and a half years. During the period the membership of the Society increased by 50% and recognition was given by Royal Institute of British Architects as an Allied Society. In accord with this growth, further amendments were made to come into effect on 3rd November 1959. By the end of 1962, the Society expanded to a membership seven times as large as that first body of Foundation Members. The change of name from Society to Institute was effected in 1972 and this initiated a new phase of activities for the Institute. In 1990, The Hong Kong Institute of Architects Incorporation Ordinance (Chapter 1147) was enacted which governs the running of the Institute since then. HKIA also operates a representative office in Beijing since 2006 with an aim to promote Hong Kong architects’ professional services in the Mainland.

2. Current Office Bearers of the Institute

- Ar. CHAN Chak Bun Benny (President)
- Ar. LAU Man Kwan Julia (Vice President)
- Ar. LU Hing Yiu Bryant (Vice President)
- Ar. CHEUNG Kong Yeung Thomas (Honorary Secretary)
- Ar. POON Ho Lun Allen (Honorary Treasurer)

The Institute is governed by a Council consisting of five Office Bearers and eight Ordinary Members of the Council, the Immediate Past President (ex-officio member) and Chairmen of six Boards. Appointed by the Council, six Boards are formed to deal with specific areas in the objectives of the Institute, they are:-

- The Board of Educational Affairs
- The Board of External Affairs
- The Board of Internal Affairs
- The Board of Local Affairs
- The Board of Mainland Affairs
- The Board of Practices



The Patron of HKIA is The Honourable Mr. John LEE, Chief Executive, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR).

Daily running of the Institute is supported by a Chief Operating Officer and a team of Secretariat of around 30 persons.

3. Current Membership Strength

<u>Individual Membership</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Annual Subscription (US\$)¹</u>
Member	4,183	308
Graduate Member	422	77
Non-Resident Member	45	154
Fellow	190	462
Associate	49	308
Affiliate	9	154
Student Member	34	13
Retired Member	44	128
Retired Fellow	3	128
Honorary Fellow	11	Waived
Total:	4,990	

(Statistics as of 7 September 2023)

<u>Corporate Membership</u>		
1-9 HKIA members	159	462
10-19 HKIA members	11	615
w/ 20-29 HKIA members	7	923
w/ 30-39 HKIA members	3	1231
w/ 40 or more HKIA members	7	1538
Total:	187	

(Statistics as of 6 September 2023)

List of Architectural Practices

For detailed list of HKIA Registered Practices and their services by category, please visit the links below:

- HKIA List of Registered Practices - <https://www.hkia.net/en/architects-practices/registered-practices.html?action=search>
- HKIA Directory of Architectural Practices - <https://www.hkia.net/en/knowledge-resource/hkia-publications.html#hkia-directory>
- Architectural and Associated Consultants Selection Board (AACSB) List of Consultants in Architectural Category - Band 1 and 2 - <https://www.archsd.gov.hk/en/consultants-contractors/consultants/list-of-consultants-of-aacsb.html>
- List of HKIA Band 3 Architectural Consultants - <https://www.hkia.net/en/architects-practices/general-information-for-practice.html?id=129>

4. Budget of the Institute

Funds are largely raised through membership annual subscription. Budget is approved by the Council and audited accounts would be presented to the General Membership in the Annual General Meeting. Office Bearers are empowered to execute payment of Institute's expenses.

5. Number of Chapters

There is no Chapter affiliated to the Institute in Hong Kong.

¹ Based on the exchange rate of HK\$7.8 = USD\$1

6. Annual General Meeting of the Institute

There are three Quarterly General Meetings and one Annual General Meeting per year for collective decision making. Annual election is held in the Third Quarterly General Meeting in September.

7. Legal Status of the Institute

The Institute is recognised by the Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region as the representative professional body of the Architects in Hong Kong. It is enacted under the Hong Kong Institute of Architects Incorporation Ordinance (CAP 1147) of the Laws of Hong Kong. The Institute is the only professional body offering professional accreditation of Architects in Hong Kong for admission to be Registered Architects under the Architects Registration Ordinance (CAP 408).

8. Legal Status of the Architect in Hong Kong

The title “Architect” is protected under the Architects Registration Ordinance (please refer to: <http://www.arb.org.hk/TheArchitects-2.html>). The yearly fee for renewal of a Registered Architect is HK\$1,300 (US\$167).

9. Architects Registration Authority in Hong Kong

There is a registration body for the Architects in Hong Kong, namely Architects Registration Board (ARB), HKSAR. Applicants satisfying the qualifications for registration as stipulated under Section 13 of the Ordinance are eligible to apply. As of 5 September 2023, there are 4,292 Registered Architects in total.

Under the Architects Registration Ordinance, ten Members of the Architects Registration Board are appointed by the Council of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects plus one Member appointed by the Hong Kong SAR Government.

10. International Affiliations of the Institute

HKIA is committed to participating in the activities organised by its international affiliates. The Institute is a Member of the International Union of Architects (UIA), Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA), ARCASIA and Eastern Regional Organisation for Planning and Human Settlements (EAROPH). HKIA has set up the UIA Committee and the ARCASIA/CAA Committee under the Board of External Affairs.

Ar. Joseph KWAN and Ar. Glory WANG of HKIA were nominated as Director and Deputy Director to UIA Region IV WP “Architectural for All” for the term 2021-2023. Ar. Joseph KWAN is also nominated as UIA representative to ISO. Ar. Lawrence LEUNG was nominated as International Co-Director to UIA WP Educational and Cultural Spaces for the term 2021-2023.

Members of the Committees represent the Institute to the below UIA Work Programmes (WP) and ARCASIA’s Committees:-

UIA Commissions:

- Membership of UIA “Education Commission”
- Membership of UIA “Professional Practice Commission”
- Membership of UIA “International Competition Commission”
- Membership of UIA “Sustainable Development Goals Commission”

UIA Work Programmes:

- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Architectural for All”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Architecture and Children”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Heritage and Cultural Identity”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Community Architecture and Human Rights”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Architecture, Cities and Territories”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Public Health”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Educational and Cultural Spaces”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Public Spaces”
- Membership of UIA Region IV WP “Indigenous Peoples”

ARCASIA Committees:

- Membership of ARCASIA Committee of Architectural Education
- Membership of ARCASIA Committee on Professional Practice
- Membership of ARCASIA Committee on Social Responsibility
- Membership of ARCASIA Committee on Green and Sustainable Architecture
- Membership of ARCASIA Committee on Young Architects
- Membership of ARCASIA Fellowship

CAA Committee:

- Membership of CAA Education Committee

The Institute was represented in the following meetings/webinars and visits online, hybrid, or outside Hong Kong during 09/2022 to 08/2023:



<u>Items</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Date</u>
• UIA Sustainable Development Goals Commission Meeting	Online	Regular – once per month
• UIA RIV 5 th Presidents Meeting	Hybrid	7 Sep 2022
• UIA International Competitions Commission Meeting	Online	11 Oct 2022
• UIA Work Programme Public Health Group Meeting	Online	12 Oct 2022
• UIA Work Programme Public Health Group Meeting	Online	10 Nov 2022
• UIA Work Programme Educational and Cultural Spaces Work Programme Meeting	Online	21 Dec 2022
• ARCASIA ACPP-ACGSA-ACYA Meeting in Kathmandu, Nepal	Hybrid, Kathmandu, Nepal	18 Jan 2023
• UIA RIV Presidents 6 th Meeting	Online	26 Jan 2023
• ARCASIA OB-CC Meeting	Boracay, Philippines	16 Feb 2023
• UIA RIV President 7 th Meeting	Online	27 Feb 2023

<u>Items</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Date</u>
• ARCASIA Fellowship Memorial Event – Past Chairman Ronald POON and Mubasshar HUSSAIN	Online	19 Mar 2023
• UIA Work Programme Public Health Group Meeting	Online	13 Apr 2023
• UIA International Competitions Commission Meeting	Online	18 Apr 2023
• UIA Public Health Group Webinar	Online	26 Apr 2023
• UIA Live Webinar Design for Climate Adaption and Resilient Communities	Online	10 May 2023
• UIA RIV 8 th Presidents Meeting	Online	11 May 2023
• ARCASIA Asian Young Architects Webinar Series 2023 – Sustainable Architecture #2	Online	20 May 2023
• ACAE Roundtable Meeting	Hybrid, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	12 Jun 2023
• UIA World Congress 2023 and Council Meeting	Copenhagen, Denmark	2-9 Jul 2023
• ACAE Roundtable Meeting	Hybrid, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	27 Jul 2023
• ACAE Meeting	Online	14 Aug 2023
• ARCASIA Meeting with Architects Association of Maldives	Male, Maldives	18-20 Aug 2023
• ACGSA Webinar	Online	26 Aug 2023
• ARCASIA Ar. Barry Will Award 2023 Jury Meeting	Online	26 Aug 2023

As one of the member economies of APEC Architects Project, an APEC Architect Project Monitoring Committee, Hong Kong China, has been set up to operate a section of the APEC Architect Register for the enrolment of APEC Architects registered in Hong Kong.

Besides, HKIA has been working closely with the Government and Mainland counterparts to facilitate and equip members to obtain registration and practice in Mainland China. Since 2011, a total of 249 HKIA members who had attained PRC Class I Architect Qualification have taken the CEPA legal examinations organised by the Department of Housing and Urban-Rural Development of Guangdong Province and all of them passed the exams.

11. Major Programmes and Activities of the Institute during 09/2022 to 08/2023

International / Regional Conference / Symposium and Meetings

UIA World Congress 2023

HKIA President Ar. Benny CHAN lead an HKIA delegation of around 30 architects from Hong Kong attending UIA World Congress 2023, with the theme “**Sustainable Futures – Leave No One Behind**”, HKIA speakers shared their experiences and efforts towards the UN SDG and inclusive architectures to Congress participants with an exhibition booth.



HKIA launched the HKIA SDG Book during the Congress in Copenhagen, showcasing local architectural excellence to the world with sustainable designs.



10th APEC Architect Project Central Council Meeting

HKIA President Benny Chan, the Architects Registration Board Chair KC Tam and House Committee Chair Stephen Ho attended the 10th APEC Architect Project Central Council Meeting on 28 April 2023 in Bangkok, Thailand. Mobility of professional qualification in the APEC economies was the main topic discussed.



Mainland Activities

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Shenzhen Exploration & Design Association (SZEDA)

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Shenzhen Exploration & Design Association (SZEDA) was held on 1 February 2023 in Hong Kong. A MOU drafted by SZEDA with comments from HKIA on the future collaboration direction and exchange of information and resources was signed in the meeting.



Qianhai Shenzhen Authority Conference

Qianhai Shenzhen Authority organised a Conference with the theme “Shenzhen-Hong Kong Collaborations, Winning the Future Together” on 3 March 2023. Representatives from Central Liaison Office, Mainland Government and Hong Kong Government Officials gave speeches. 6 commercial associations signed MOU at the venue for future collaborations.



Foshan Nanhai Economy and Trade Bureau Courtesy Visit to HKIA

Representatives from Foshan Nanhai Economy and Trade Bureau visited HKIA on 15 March 2023, introducing the economy and trade environment in Nanhai, and the supports offered from the local Government for business developments.



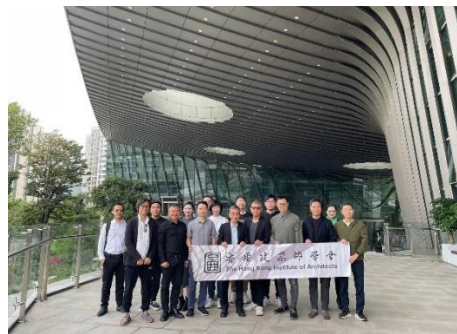
Tianhe District Courtesy Visit to HKIA

Representatives from Tianhe District Government and Tianhe architectural firms visited HKIA on 22 March 2023, introduction of Tianhe District development and future exchanges were discussed.



Visit of Architecture in Nansha, Guangzhou

The Board of Mainland Affairs (BMA) organised visit of architecture in Nansha, Guangzhou on 12-13 May 2023. The visit spots included HE Art Museum (HEM) and Guangzhou Toyota Motor Co, Ltd.



Hong Kong Belt and Road Office, Commerce and Economic Development Bureau Courtesy Visit to HKIA

Representatives from Hong Kong Belt and Road Office, Commerce and Economic Development Bureau visited HKIA on 31 May 2023. The Office representatives addressed the past developments of Belt and Road and introduced the future planning of Office.



Qianhai Authority Announcement on Collaboration of Shenzhen-Hong Kong Architectural Constructions

Qianhai Authority announced the collaborations of Shenzhen-Hong Kong Architectural Constructions on 21 July 2023. Government officials from Mainland, Central Liaison Office and Hong Kong officiated the press conference, showcasing the successful collaborations in Shenzhen, and the plannings of future developments.



Overseas/ Non-Local Exhibition

HKIA Roving Architecture Exhibitions (RAX)

Hong Kong Institute of Architects Biennale Foundation (HKIABF) organised a Roving Architecture Exhibition (RAX) from 2023 to 2024. Press Conference for the RAX events (Venice Biennale 2023 (VB2023), Kuala Lumpur-Nanjing (KLNJ) Architecture Exhibition) was held on 5 May 2023 to kick start the serious of overseas exhibitions.



The first RAX exhibition, Venice Biennale 2023 (VB2023) was jointly organised by The Hong Kong Institute of Architects Biennale Foundation (HKIABF) and Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) with the theme “Transformative Hong Kong, The Laboratory of The Future”, is showcasing at Venice, Italy from 20 May to 26 November 2023.



The second RAX exhibition was held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Opening ceremony was held on 22 July 2023 with the theme “Harmony in Diversity-Connecting the Metropolis by In-Between”. Exhibition period was on 22 July to 7 August 2023. The honourable guests joint the exclusive guided tour by exhibitors after the opening ceremony at the venue.



The third RAX exhibition will take place at Nanjing, China in October 2023, stay tuned with HKIA
https://hkiarax.com/KLNJHK/?utm_medium=website&utm_source=archdaily.com for more details later.

Local Symposium and Exhibition

Urbanism and Architecture Exhibitions for Excellence “Beyond Territories – Made. Make. Making”

HKIA Urbanism and Architects Exhibitions for Excellence “Beyond Territories – Made. Make. Making”, which toured around Hangzhou, Beijing and New York from August to October 2022, with some of the exhibits showcased in Shanghai during the China International Import Expo in November, was returned to Hong Kong for finale exhibition in December 2022 to January 2023.



Awards and Competitions

HKIA Annual Awards 2022/2023

HKIA Annual Awards is organised every year to give recognition to outstanding architecture designed by our members. The award has been established since 1965 and has been well recognised as the most important architectural award in Hong Kong.

Result to be announced in HKIA Annual Dinner on 8 November 2023.



The Hong Kong Institute of Architects
**annual awards &
 exhibition 2022/23**

HKIA Gold Medal Award 2023

The HKIA Gold Medal Award 2023 nominations are under review. The nomination was closed on 15 July 2023, result to be announced in HKIA Annual Dinner on 8 November 2023.

HKIA Young Architect Award 2022

HKIA encourages young architects to contribute their talent proactively in upholding the professional, art and cultural developments of Hong Kong.

The theme of HKIA Young Architect Award 2022 was “Countryside”. The design proposal from Ar. LAM Lai Shun awarded the 2022 YAA Award.



ARCHITECTURE FOR PEOPLE – Hong Kong Architecture Micro Film Competition 2022

HKIA organised a Micro Film Competition in line with the HKIA 65th Anniversary, the theme of the Competition was “Architecture for People, Build our dreams”. The competition aims to promote the merits of Hong Kong Architecture worldwide, to discover and nurture the next currents in the creative industry of moving images and to encourage cross-discipline aesthetics, knowledge, and creativity in the medium.

The Award Ceremony was held on 21 June 2023, gathering lots of architects and file directors to catch up and discuss the relationship between architects, people and art.



HKIA Idea Design Competition

The HKIA Idea Design Competition 2023 was co-organised with HKSARG Architectural Services Department after a long-two-years-wait due to the pandemic. The winning design “The Gate of Blessings” was built for the Lunar New Year Fair 2023 to welcome hundreds of thousands of visitors and celebrate the traditional festival Lunar New Year Fair.



Community Events

Eco Expo Asia—International Trade Fair on Environmental Protection 2023 on 26 Oct – 6 Nov 2023

The Expo is jointly organised by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) and Messes Frankfurt (HK) Ltd, and co-organised by the Environment Bureau of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) Government.

The theme of the Expo is “Taking the Leap towards Carbon Neutrality”, strives to once again bring together prominent brands, experts and academics under one roof to reduce carbon emissions and pave the way for a greener future.

Expo website:

https://ecoexpoasia.hktdc.com/dm/2023/SEM/index_google_en.html?gad=1&qclid=CjwKCAjw6eWnBhAKEiwADpnw9pNhckZvWsFf9-4fATuTAt1OUV7JpsPtSGz1i3oIRLdkmY50CgSP0hoCC-oQAvD_BwE



Events / Activities Increase the Sense of Belonging of Members

RSCP Volleyball Tournament 2022

The HKIA Volleyball Team performed well and got good standings at the RSCP volleyball tournament for men and women on 17 December 2022:

- Men: Championship
- Women: 1st Runner-up



16th Joint Professional Golf Tournament

The HKIA Golf Team participated in the 16th Joint Professional Golf Tournament on 2 March 2023. The team won the 4th runner-up in the tournament.

1. Mr. Michael CHONG - Best Net Score at 67.4 (HKIA Team)
2. Mr. LI Kwan Wai - Best Gross Score at 82 (HKIA Team)
3. Mr. Andrew NOWAK - Nearest to the Pin – Hole 1
4. Mr. LI Kwan Wai - Longest Drive – Hole 2



Dragonboat Races 2023

HKIA Dragonboat Team joined the Buildings Department Invitation Race at Kwun Tong Promenade on 2 April 2023. The team completed four matches and won the Buildings Department Invitation Gold Cup 2nd Runner Up.



The Team also competed in Dragon Boat race in Sai Kung during the Tuen Ng Festival on 22 June 2023. The team took part in small and medium boat category race. After the four tough races, the team celebrated with their trophies and a suckling pig as the winning prize!



HKIA/Architects Registration Board (ARB) New Members Certificate Presentation Ceremony

HKIA/ARB New Member Certificate Presentation Ceremony 2022 and 2023 were held on 27 November 2022 and 15 July 2023 respectively.



HKIA Spring Reception 2023

Over 100 guests and HKIA leadership were gathered at the recently renovated HKIA Premises to celebrate the arrival of the Chinese New Year at the HKIA Spring Cocktail Reception on 10 February 2023.



HKIA Gathering for Architectural Students and Graduates 2023

HKIA organised a gathering for Architectural Students and Graduates on 11 August 2023. HKIA President and Members shared their experience on architectural examinations for registration in Hong Kong to Architectural Students and Graduates.



Hiking & Architectural Appreciation Regenerating the Landscape of Lantau Mountain Camp

HKIA cares about members' health and organised hiking events together with architectural appreciation, the first event was held on 2 January 2023. Members could have better understanding of architecture, history, and sociality of the camp as well as the conservation needs and challenges of the camp and its surroundings.



HKIA x MOViE MOViE “Life is Art” – Architectural Movies

HKIA collaborated with MOViE MOViE for screening series of architectural-related movies with the HKIA 65th Anniversary theme “Architecture for People” (人人建築), allowing public to experience architecture around us everywhere, and explore how architectural design brings people together, and cherish the art, the culture and everything beautiful in our community.



HKIA CPD Events

Given the rapid development in the industry at this knowledge-based economy, mandatory participation in continuing professional development (CPD) would help to ensure that professionals meet up-to-date requirements and catch up with the latest news, ideas and technological advancements through ongoing education and training. Being a professional institution, HKIA takes initiative in the advancement of CPD and members are required to comply with the mandatory CPD requirements for renewal and reinstatement of HKIA membership since 1 January 2003. Throughout the year, the Institute organises various CPD activities for members to participate. CPD activities organised by the Institutes during Sep 2022 and Aug 2023:



- CPD Seminar: Integrity Capacity Building Workshop – Ethical Traps for Architects
- CPD Webinar: Point-Line-Surface and Butterflies
- CPD Seminar: Post Dichotomy - Contemporary Iranian Architecture
- CPD Webinar: HKGBC-Climate Change Framework for Built Environment
- CPD Series: Future City Vision – Forum and Workshop
- CPD Webinar: Settlements on Shift - Traditional Architectures in Kowloon and New Town under Changing Urban Context
- CPD Webinar: Bird-Window Collision
- CPD Seminar: Occupation Permit & Certificate of Compliance for New Works 2023
- CPD Webinar: Contemporary Architecture
- CPD Seminar: Some Common Misconceptions About The Environmental Impact Assessment System of Hong Kong
- CPD Seminar: Construction Mediation Workshop and Demonstration
- CPD Seminar: How Innovative Glazing helps achieve Carbon Neutrality
- CPD Seminar: Smart and Intelligent Series
- HKIA-HKU Department of Architecture Collaborated Lecture – “The Right to Joy”
- CPD Seminar: Understanding Projects for Health Services in Hong Kong Series
- CPD Site Visit - Kai Tak Airside
- CPD Site Visit - Kai Tak Sports Park
- CPD Site Visit - Whitehead Hostel
- CPD Tour: CLP Clock Tower Guided Tour
- CPD Guided Green Tour: One Taikoo Place
- CPD Site Visit: HKU Wong Chuk Hang Student Residence
- CPD Visit: Northern Metropolis East Circle Visit - Lai Chi Wo and Mui Tsz Lam

5. Key Issues Facing the Architects/Architectural Profession/ Institute in Hong Kong

Promotion of BIM and Other Green Building Design Standards

Sustainability and social responsibility have always been hot topics on the table. It is not only about adopting some one-off green architectural designs but also evaluating if the initiatives or policies are sustainable in the long run such that mutual respect between human and nature, and among various cultures, could be maintained. By keeping such belief in mind, HKIA would be paying more efforts to encourage members and architectural firms to adopt

BIM and other green building design standards such that a more livable community could be built.

Opportunities for Younger Generation of the Profession

One of the major missions of the current term of HKIA Council is to explore more opportunities for the young architects in Hong Kong, the Greater Bay Area and even Belt and Road regions. It is hoped that other member organisations could cooperate with HKIA to provide continuous support on exploring opportunities for the younger generation of our profession in order to help them to pursue their dreams and to achieve more in their architectural path. It would be grateful to see a closer collaboration between ARCASIA member organisations through forums, exhibitions, both idea and design-and-built competitions.

The Belt and Road Initiative

HKIA keeps proactively engaged in the development of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) which is a development strategy proposed by PRC President Xi Jinping to focus on connectivity and cooperation with Eurasian countries, primarily the PRC, the land-based Silk Road Economic Belt and the oceangoing Maritime Silk Road.

Since HKIA became a member of the Belt and Road Global Forum which is managed by the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) since 2018, HKIA has been leveraging this global platform to maintain a relationship with Chinese mainland and international organizations and associations to receive the latest updates on the development of the BRI. It is hoped that Hong Kong architects and architectural firms would be fully engaged in the BRI and reap many benefits by jointly promoting sustainable development of the Belt and Road while assisting the development of the ARCASIA countries or regions in need.

The Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area

Apart from the BRI, PRC has been largely promoting the development of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area (Greater Bay Area) which comprises the two Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau, and the nine municipalities of Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Zhuhai, Foshan, Huizhou, Dongguan, Zhongshan, Jiangmen and Zhaoqing in Guangdong Province. It is planned that the Greater Bay Area could become an international first-class bay area ideal for living, working and travelling by leveraging the comparative advantages of every Greater Bay Area city to the largest extent.

For Hong Kong architects and architectural practices who would like to seek more opportunities in the Greater Bay Area, HKIA will continue to work closely with the HKSAR, Macau and Guangdong Government to introduce the latest development of the Greater Bay Area, as well as to collect and share the knowledge and resources about resolution of disputes arising from the variance of Hong Kong and Mainland systems.

Hong Kong Architects' Full Range of Professional Services in Project Management

HKIA keeps promoting Hong Kong architects' unique edges, "Architects' Full Services System" in numerous forums, seminars, articles, interviews and public occasions in Hong Kong, the Mainland and overseas to the largest extent.

The Full Services system refers to Hong Kong architects and architectural practices, as appointed by the developer or property owner, could provide services from inception, feasibility studies, outlining schematic proposals, providing project design, to contract documentation and supervision of building construction. The advantages of taking "Architect Full Services System" are enabling architects to ensure the construction quality and building safety throughout the design and construction period.

With the opportunities arising from the BRI and the Greater Bay Area, HKIA wishes Hong Kong architects and architectural practices to cooperate with Mainland firms to adopt this

highly efficient system in the construction projects along the Belt and Road and Greater Bay Area regions. Meanwhile, HKIA is also assisting Mainland government departments to get a correct understanding on the Hong Kong Authorised Person system in construction field.

6. Resources of the Institute

The Institute maintains a full calendar of events ranging from Biennale Exhibitions, Continuing Professional Development seminars, HKIA Annual Awards, competitions, architectural walks, joint-institutes forums and symposia at all levels of society to cross-boundaries architectural biennales beyond Hong Kong. Many enthusiastic members contribute to make the events successful.

The Institute also dispatches the following publication and e-information for circulation to Members and allied institutions, both local and overseas:

HKIA Weekly

The HKIA Daily was rebranded to HKIA Weekly since May 2021, sending members a weekly basis newsletter to keep our members posted of our weekly programmes, latest actions, highlights of the latest local and Mainland architectural news, CPD events as well as international associations' activities in the coming weeks.

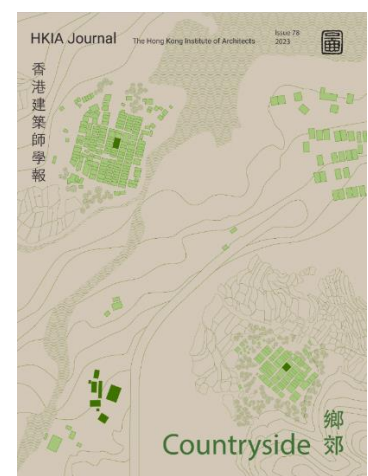
HKIA Directory of Architects Practices (Annual Publication)

<https://www.hkia.net/en/knowledge-resource/hkia-publications.html#hkia-directory>



HKIA Journal (1-2 issue(s) per year)

<https://www.hkia.net/en/knowledge-resource/hkia-publications.html#journal>



Annual Report (Annual Publication)

<https://www.hkia.net/en/knowledge-resource/hkia-publications.html#hkia-annual-report>

**HKIA Annual Awards (Annual Publication)**

<https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=UsHtqrfTEFcF>

**7. Plans for the Future**

The Institute continues to work towards the enhancement of networking, both in terms of internal communication amongst fellow practices and promotion in the international arena. Outreaching to the public in Hong Kong and to the architectural community overseas for promotion of architecture remains the Institute's key objective. Exploration of co-operative opportunities with allied professional institutes, local and overseas, and public education would be the Institute's core business in the near future. In particular, we will work in close collaboration with government regulators and numerous stakeholders in the construction industry and creative industry with the aim of building a better livable city for people. Below are the highlights of events of the Institute in the near future.

HKIA Annual Awards

The Hong Kong Institute of Architects Annual Awards is handed out in recognition of outstanding architecture achievements by members of HKIA. The award began in 1965 and is one of the most important architectural awards given out in Hong Kong in acknowledging distinguished merits and in offering the much-needed opportunity for public admiration and appreciation.

Since 2007, the awards for the Medal of the Year are split into two categories: the HKIA Medal of the Year of Hong Kong and HKIA Medal of the Year outside Hong Kong. Both are awarded to the architect(s) of the selected Hong Kong and outside Hong Kong building(s) that deserve the highest honour; architect(s) of other buildings deserving an award will receive a HKIA Merit Award of Hong Kong and HKIA Merit Award outside Hong Kong. Entries are divided into the following four categories for assessment: Residential Buildings (high-rise & low-rise), Commercial Buildings, Community Buildings, and Industrial / Transport / Utility

Buildings. We introduced Mixed-use(s) Buildings in HKIA Annual Awards 2016/17 in response to the solution to high space demand in compact and dense city.

The President's Prize is awarded to smaller projects with lower construction costs. The limit is lifted from \$20 million to \$50 million in 2012.

Established in 2001, the Special Architectural Award aims to acknowledge members who have carried out Hong Kong works or research of outstanding contribution to a particular architectural issue such as Heritage & Adaptive Re-use, sustainable Design, Architectural Research, Architectural Interior Accessibility, Urban Design and Technological Innovation. As Alteration and Addition Works have been considerably active in recent years, in 2008, we introduce the Alteration and Addition Works under the Special Architectural Award category. In 2009, the committee encouraged overseas projects to be submitted for the Special Architectural Award in an effort to lift the regional restrictions for this category. In order to meet up with the global trend of architecture, the Institute has re-organised the categories of the Special Architectural Award. In 2016-17, Architectural Interior and Urban Design are renamed to Interior and Urban Design and Master Planning respectively. Inclusive Design, and Architectural Sustainability are re-introduced.

Open call for nominations for HKIA Annual Awards 2022/23 started, the deadline was on 24 July 2023. The shortlisted projects were announced on HKIA website on 8 September 2023 (<https://www.hkia.net/en/awards-competition.html?id=1&news=166>). The final result to be announced in HKIA Annual Dinner on 8 November 2023. Please stay tuned at HKIA Official Website: <https://www.hkia.net>.

HKIA Gold Medal & Architectural Excellence Fund

Established in 2020, the HKIA Gold Medal is an annual award to HKIA Member, Fellow or a group of individuals with distinguished achievements and significant contribution to the architectural profession in Hong Kong. The Award Recipient should have demonstrated exuberant qualities of Personal Integrity, Architectural Excellence and also any of the following qualities:

1. Advancement of the Architectural Profession, quality of Architectural Design and the Built Environment,
2. Influence on the Practice of Architecture and its reputation,
3. Impact of recipient(s)' works on Society and Humanity,
4. Exploration of the Future of Architecture, and transcendence in specific areas of expertise,
5. Advancement of Architectural Education, nurturing of Young Generations of Architects, and/or influence in Architectural theory.

Open call for nominations for HKIA Gold Medal 2023 was started with nomination deadline on 15 July 2023. Result to be announced in HKIA Annual Dinner on 8 November 2023. Please stay tuned at HKIA Official Website: <https://www.hkia.net>.

Roving Architecture Exhibitions (RAX)

Hong Kong Institute of Architects Biennale Foundation (HKIABF) organised a Roving Architecture Exhibition (RAX) from 2023 to 2024. Press Conference for the RAX events (Venice Biennale 2023 (VB2023), Kuala Lumpur-Nanjing (KLNJ) Architecture Exhibition) was held on 5 May 2023 to kick start the serious of overseas exhibitions.

The VB2023 Hong Kong respond exhibition would be held in Hong Kong after the main exhibition showcasing in Venice in late 2023, stay tuned for more details on HKIA website.

The roving exhibition for Kuala Lumpur and Nanjing with the theme “Harmony in Diversity – Connecting the Metropolis by in-betweens” will be hosting back in Hong Kong as the last stop of the exhibition tour.

The upcoming Nanjing exhibition will be held on 21 October to 7 November 2023 in Jian Ye District, Nanjing, China. Visit the exhibition website for more details https://hkiarax.com/KLNJHK/?utm_medium=website&utm_source=archdaily.com.

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