

Korea Institute of Registered Architects

---

KIRA

Country Report 2019



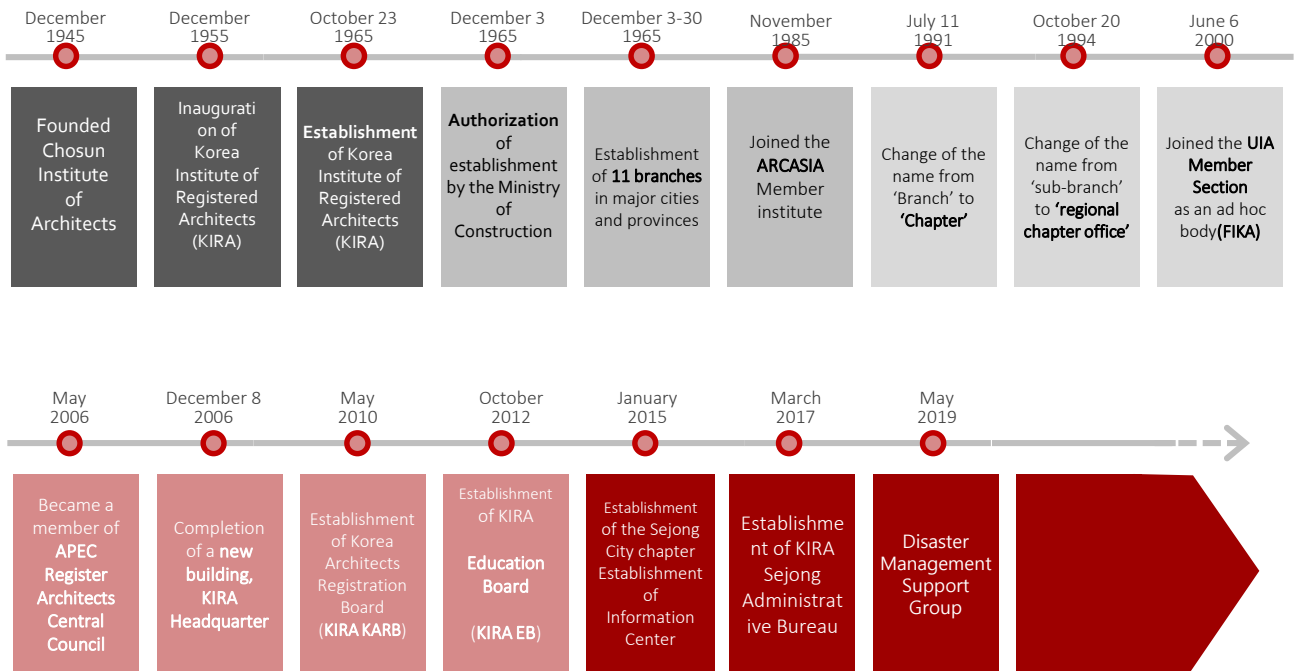
KIRA

# Contents

---

- 1 Brief History
- 2 Office Bearers & Committees
- 3 Membership Strength
- 4 Budget
- 5 Number of Chapters
- 6 General Assembly
- 7 Legal Status
- 8 Architects Registration Authority
- 9 International Affiliation
- 10 Major Programs in the past year
- 11 Programs (Publications & Exhibitions)
- 12 Architectural Competitions/Awards
- 13 Key Issues facing Architectural Profession
- 14 Resources of the Institute
- 15 Institutes Efforts to implement ARCASIA
- 16 Plan for the Future

# 1. Brief History



# 2. Office Bearers & Committees

## Office Bearers

- President  
Ar. SEOK, Jung Hoon
- 5 Vice-Presidents
- 14 Directors
- 2 Auditors
- Total 22

## Committees

- 9 Core Committees
- 18 Auxiliary Committees

## Core Committees

- Central Ethics Committee
- Policy Committee
- Planning Committee
- Legislation Committee
- International Relations Committee
- Culture and Public Relations Committee
- Members Rights and Interest Committee
- Investigation Committee
- Social Responsibility Committee

### 3. Membership Strength

- Current status of members

As of December, 2018

Category	No. of members
Regular Member	10,707
Associate Member	3
Honorary Member	82
Special Member	71

- \* Regular Member : Architects who acquire Korean Architect License and enrolled to KIRA.
- \* Associate Member : Those who do not acquire Korean Architect License and do acquire International Architect License and enrolled to KIRA.
- \* Honorary Member : Those who are domestic or international architects or corporate, contributes themselves to enhance Korea architectural culture and perform great exploits in Architectural profession and are approved by Board of directors.
- \* Special Member : Those who are architecture experts such as academicians, public employees, civil engineers, etc. and enrolled to KIRA

- Membership Fees

- Admission fee: 3,000,000 KRW (Approx. 2,788 USD )
- Monthly dues of 30,000 KRW (Approx. 28 USD )
- ( Fees for Local Chapters are dependable )

### 4. Budget

- Total Account in year 2019 : 14,493,000,000 KRW (12.4 million USD)
  - General Account : 5,965,000,000 KRW(5.1 million USD)
  - Special Account : 8,528,000,000 KRW(7.3 million USD)

### 5. HQ & Chapters

- Headquarter Office located in Seoul
- 17 Chapters Institutes in Regional Cities and Provinces
- 133 Sub Institutes in Local Cities



### 6. General Assembly

- The 53rd General Assembly was held on 28 February, 2019
- Approval of 2019 budget and settlements 2018 Balance
- Revision the By-Laws of Institute
- Election of office bearers

## 7. Legal Status

---

- **Legal Statues of KIRA**

- Established on October 23, 1965, in accordance with the Certified Architects Act, the KIRA consists of registered architects as members.

- **Legal Status of Architects in Korea**

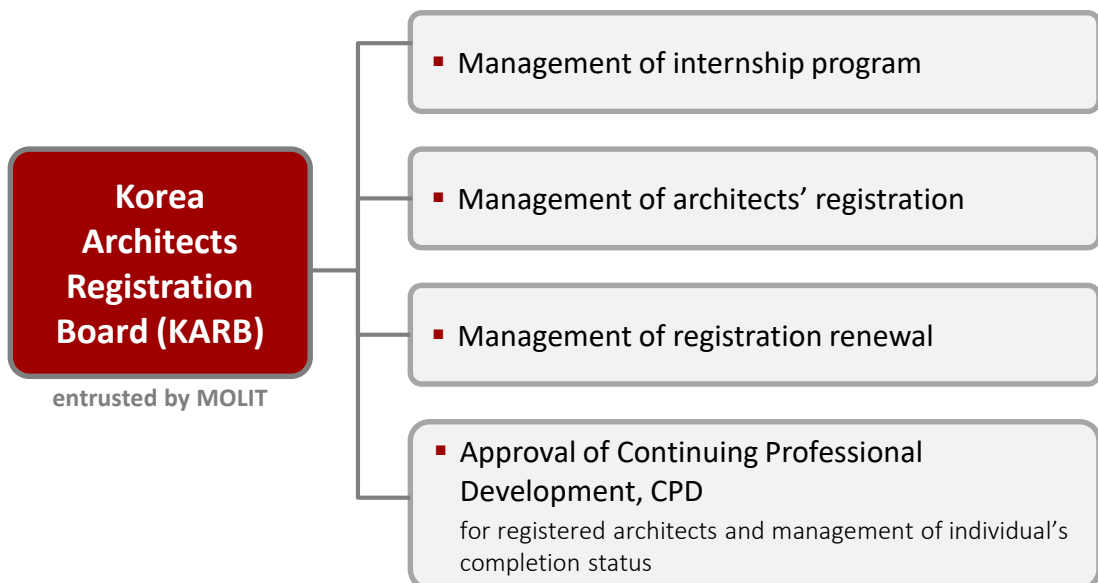
- Official registration at the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport, MOLIT, is essential prior to commencement of practice.

- The term "architect" means any person who provides services under Article 19, including the design of a building and construction supervision after having passed a qualifying examination conducted by the Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport; (According to the Certified Architects Act, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport)

## 8. Architects Registration Authority

---

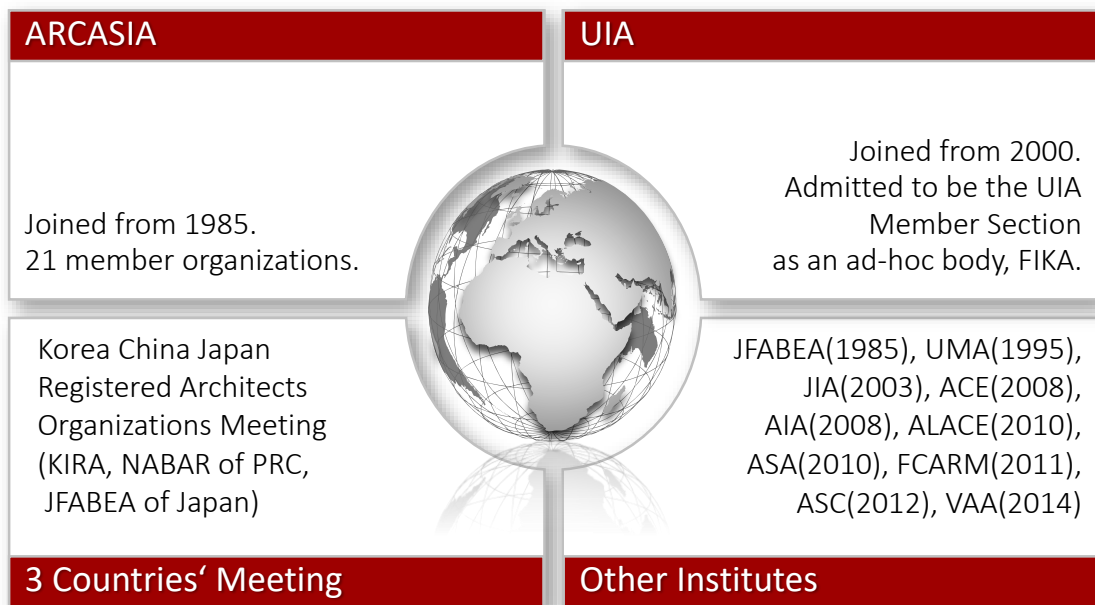
- **Korea Architects Registration Board, KARB**



- 15,358 Architects are registered at KARB as of December 2018.

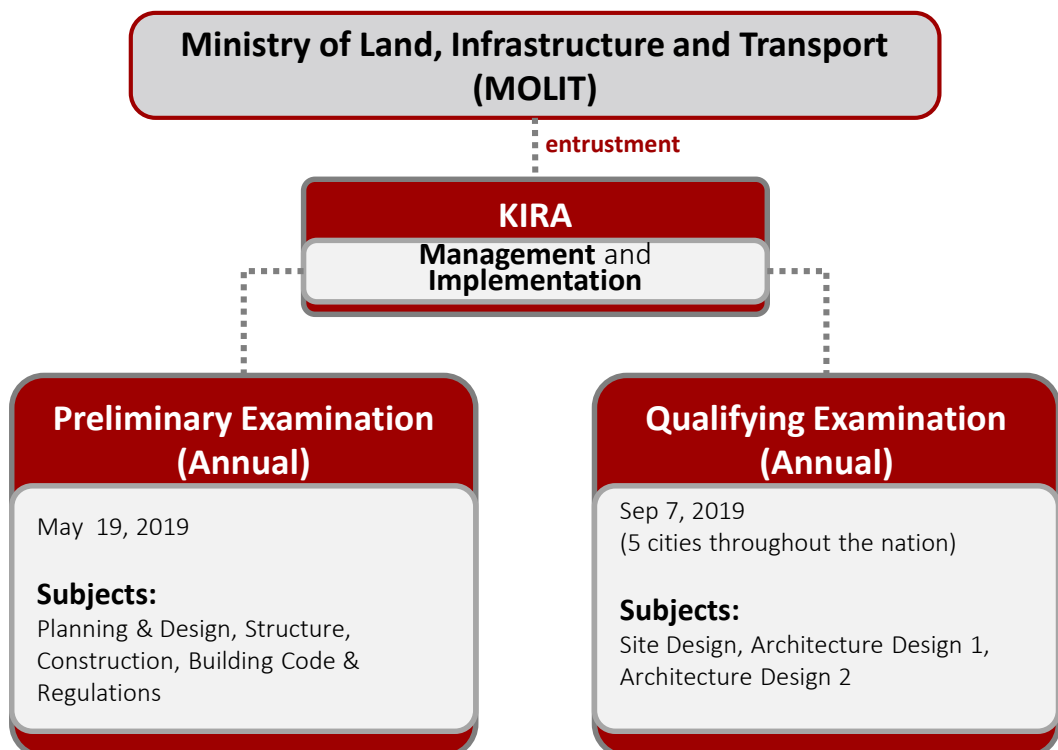
- 10,968 Students are under practice training as of December 2018.

## 9. International Affiliations



## 10. Major Programs in the Past Year

- 1) Qualifying Examination for Architect's License



# 10. Major Programs in the Past Year



- 2) Korea Architects Registration Board, KARB

- 15,358 Architects are registered at KARB as of December 2018.
- 10,968 Students are under training as of December 2018.
- For more information, please visit [www.kirakarb.or.kr](http://www.kirakarb.or.kr)

- 3) KIRA Education Board, EB

- Operate 293 CPD Programs for Architect's Professional Practice in 2019. (Ethics, Professional Practice)
- 54,903 Architects has trained in 2018. (Cyber 39,676)

- 4) Human Resource Development Program

**Zero Energy /23<sup>rd</sup> Sustainable Architecture Academy / Energy Saving Plan/Certification**

- Government(Ministry of Employment & Labor) has commissioned KIRA as provider of education to foster design professionals on green architecture, including Sustainable Architecture Academy
- 506 Architects completed under 4 Curriculums with 13 classes in 2018
- Total Number of graduates(SAA) : 1,074Architects as of December 2018.



## 10. Major Programs in the Past Year

### ■ 5) APEC Architect Project

- KIRA, entrusted by MOLIT, organized Architect Monitoring Committee and launched APEC Architect Project in Korea since January, 2006.

Operations Manual amendments agreed by APEC Architect Register  
New registration and registration renewal of APEC Architect Register

- 148 APEC Architects are registered as of December 2018.

9 Architects registered newly, 25 Architects renew the registration

- Mode of Recognition : Local Collaboration, Trying to upgrade to Domain Specific Assessment

### ■ 6) Open Forum for People

- KIRA hosted Open Forum “ Community Architecture “ to enhance the quality of life in our human environment talking with architects, statesman and the public.

\*Date : 27 November, 2018

\*Venue : National Assembly, Seoul .

\*Theme : Innovative Thinking for Community Architecture/ Small Building & Houses

\*Participants : 750 Architects, Statesman & the Public



### ■ 7) Public Community Center for Children

- KIRA contributed for erecting Public Community Center for Children in 2018, sponsored by SBS(Broadcasting), Government, Donors and NGO. This Center will be erected regionally every year.

- In 2018, workshop for design of community center, under the title of “ Architecture School of Hope” was held during 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ 7<sup>th</sup> August with UHAUS(Students Group).

In 2019, 1 Community Centers are expected to be open to children.

\* Period : January – December, 2018

\* Venue : Bonghwa, GeongSang Bukdo



## 10. Major Programs in the Past Year– International Activities

### 8) Seoul International Architecture Film Festival

\*Period : 25 - 29 September, 2019

\*Venue : Art House MOMO at  
Ehwa Woman's University, Seoul .

\*Theme : Space and Storytelling

\*21 Films were invited from 14 countries (34 times)

\*Event : Special Program, Host Architects' Forum, Guest Talk

\*Participants : 2,000 Architects & Professionals, Professors, Students & the Public



### 9) The 22st Korea China Japan Registered Architects Organizations Meeting

- KIRA, NABAR and JFABEA had an three countries' meeting annually to share architectural interests in culture and profession.

(This conference was held in Japan last year.)

\*Date : 28 - 31 October, 2019

\*Venue : Shenzhen, China

\*Participants : KIRA, NABAR and JFABEA

\* **NABAR of P.R.C** National Administration Board of Architectural Registration of P.R.C

\* **JFABEA** Japan Federation of Architects and Building Engineers Associations

The 21<sup>th</sup> Korea China Japan Registered Architects Organizations Meeting (17-20 Oct 2018 / Osaka, Japan)



# 11. Programs (Publications & Exhibitions)

- **Publication: KIRA's Periodicals**

- KIRA has been publishing monthly magazine *Architect* since 1966 and 11,500 copies are distributed to KIRA members and governmental organizations. KIRA also publishes a newspaper, *Architect News*, in every another weeks from the year of 2006

\*Magazine : Published 12,000 copies at time, 12 times annually

\*Newspaper : Published 14,000 copies at time, 24 times annually



- **Exhibition: 2019 Korea Architecture Fair and Festival (KAFF)**

\*Period : 27 – 30 November, 2019 (4 days)

\*Venue : Hall B COEX, Seoul

\*Program : Exhibition, Conference, Sustainable Architecture Exhibition, Green Remodeling Competition

2019 KAFF Participants

- 840 companies with approx. 919 booths

- Number of Visitors(2018) : Approx. 6,325 including architects(2,469)



## 12. Architectural Competitions/Awards

### ■ Korean Architecture Award

- Established in 1994, Hosted by the MOLIT and KIRA
- Goals : to find good architecture and encourage architects, clients and contractors for better architectural environments
- The highest architectural award program in Korea with presidential awards in 4 different categories
- Category : Social Responsibility/ Private/ Public Housing/ Private House
- Awards : 4 Grand prize, 4 Gold, 11 excellence, 42 mention
- Design Competition for Students are operated simultaneously

\*Date : 13 November, 2018 (28 November, 2019)

\*Venue : Grand Hall, KIRA Headquarters



### ■ Korea Rising Architects Award

- Under the sponsorship of MOLIT, KIRA organizes Korea Rising Architects Award to publicize young architects and promote their entry to the market. It is open to all architects who are under 10 years from being qualified and have more than 1 complete work.

\*Exhibition Period : 13 November, 2018 (28 November, 2019)

\*Venue : Grand Hall, KIRA Headquarters

\*Award : 1 Grand Prize, 2 Gold, 5 Excellence

- For Architects under 45 years old who registered as Professional Practice
- The MOLIT awards the Award, publishes the Anthology and hosts an exhibition of publicity and promotional support businesses. Additionally, the winner will take part of the Jury/ Advisor in the next academic competition or pilot projects which organize by MOLIT and The Central Architecture of the Commission.



## 13. Key Issues facing Architectural Professions

---

### ■ Background

- Rapid Deterioration of Buildings
- Increase of Carbon Emission & Climate Change
- Diversification of the Architectural Demands
- Low Birth rate, High Aging rate
- Increased Interests for the Quality of Life
- Convergence of Science & Technology

## 14. Resources of the Institute

---

### ■ Architecture Research Institute, ARI

-ARI conducts :

- \* Research to find out how to improve Architecture act, Architects act and others related acts to be applied to our industry
- \* Research projects on improvement of architecture system and architect's business markets
- \* Research to find countermeasures in terms of opening of architecture service global market
- \* Research projects on mutual recognition of the architect qualification with others
- \* Other research projects as requested by KIRA Council

## 15. Institute's Efforts to implement ARCASIA

---

### ■ UIA Region IV Meeting

- UIA Region IV / ARCASIA Zone C Presidents Meeting

\* Time : September 10<sup>th</sup> 2018 / official meeting 16:00 – 18:00

\* Place : Meiji University, Tokyo, Japan

\*Participated Countries : 11 countries (32 Participants)

(Japan, Pakistan, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Korea, Vietnam, China, India, Thailand)

-Agenda : Member Section Presidents' Country Report

UIA Commission / Work Program Progress and Status reports



## 16. Plan for Future

### Direction of 2019-2023 Master plan for development

- Correspond to the Changes of Legal and Social System, Market Environment Home & Abroad
- Encourage Activities of Architects' Practice under Protection and Extension of Work Area

Category	2014 ~ 2018	2019 ~ 2023
Legal System	Lay Foundation	Stabilization, Advancement
Market	Protect Work Area	Extend Work Area and Diversity
Social System	Lay Foundation of Promotion	Promotion of Architectural Practice with Media, SNS,

### Vision -Reinforce the Public Role of Architects

Legal System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Architectural Design Market Morality</li> <li>• Establish Design Fee Standard</li> </ul>
R & D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban Revitalization &amp; Energy Policy</li> </ul>
Foster Human Resource	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promotion of Emerging Architects</li> <li>• Scholarship for Young Architects</li> </ul>
Social Contribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteer Activity of Architects</li> <li>• Emergency Activity in Disaster</li> </ul>
Public Promotion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conference, Convention, Advertisement, Broadcasting</li> <li>• Architecture Information Center</li> </ul>
Global Network	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International activities in UIA, ARCASIA and others</li> </ul>
Government Entrust	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manage Governmental Entrusted Projects</li> <li>• Reinforcement of Professional Practice</li> </ul>
Advancement of Institute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote Pension for architects welfare</li> </ul>

# Thank you

More Information : [www.kira.or.kr](http://www.kira.or.kr)