



# THE UNION OF MONGOLIAN ARCHITECTS

## COUNTRY REPORT

### ARCASIA 31th COUNCIL MEETING

Lahore, Pakistan  
Oct 25-30, 2010

#### BRIEF HISTORY OF THE UNION

The Union of Mongolian Architects /UMA/ is a professional public Non Governmental Organization /NGO/ serving the society, voluntarily affiliated people engaged in architecture and urban development activities, carrying activities on self-managing principles, revering the interest of the society.

The base of UMA has been laid by establishing, on the initiatives of architects B.Chimid and B.Dambiinyam, a division under Union of Mongolian Artists in 1956 composed of 31 members united voluntarily with a purpose to intensify initiatives of author-architects in the development of art and architecture. Furthermore, UMA participation of the 7<sup>th</sup> Congress of Union of International Architects in Republic of Cuba and followed assembly in United Mexican States in 1963 was a base of foreign relation of UMA.

#### CURRENT OFFICE BEARERS

*(Term of Office 2009-2013)*

<b>President</b>	Arch. KHURELBAATAR Erdenesaikhan
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	Arch. BATJAV Batkhuyag
<b>Vice-President</b>	Arch. BAT Dash
<b>Referent</b>	Arch. BAYARMAA Dariimaa
<b>Treasurer</b>	SURENKHAND Jandal
<b>Board members</b>	Arch. BALDAN Dashdamba
	Arch. BATBAYAR Munkhuu
	Arch. BATBOLD Badrakh
	Arch. BAYARKHUU Tsedendamba
	Arch. MUNKHBAYAR Namsrai
	Arch. MYAGMAR Gombo
	Arch. OYUNBOLD Odon
	Arch. PUREV-ERDENE Ershuu
	Arch. TSETSEGEE Chimed

## **CURRENT MEMBERSHIP STRENGTH**

There are 4 categories of membership, namely Honorary President, Honorary Advisor, Member and Foreign Member. All of them have the voting rights. The current membership strength of the Institute is as follows:

Honorary President	:	8
Honorary Advisor	:	4
Member	:	416
Foreign Member	:	3

A Member pays a yearly subscription of MNT 60.000.

## **BUDGET OF THE UNION**

- ✓ Admission Fees and Annual Subscription of the members
- ✓ Fund raising activities on working out architectural projects with own group "Architecture"
- ✓ Sponsors for specific events
- ✓ Sales of publication

## **NUMBER OF CHAPTERS**

There are Ulaanbaatar, Darkhan city chapters plus some design companies are affiliated to the UMA in Mongolia.

## **NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE UNION**

The UMA National Convention regularity has changed recently and will be held once in every four years to select board members and office bearers. There are sub conferences will be held at least twice in a year nationally.

## **LEGAL STATUS OF THE UNION**

The Union is recognized by the Government of Mongolia as the only non governmental organization representing professional body of the Architects in Mongolia. Membership to UMA is not compulsory for a professional Architect to practice architecture in Mongolia.

## **LEGAL STATUS OF ARCHITECTS**

The registration body is Commission of Architects, Mongolia. The route for registration is via recognized qualifications, five years practical experience, and passing the professional practice examination.

## **INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Promoting good relations with architectural institutes in other countries is a key objective of the Institute. The UMA is a member of the International Union of Architects and the Architects Regional Council of Asia. In addition, the UMA has agreement on mutual cooperation with Architects' Union of Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Architectural Society of China, Japan Institute of Architects, Korea Institute of Registered Architects and the Union of Architects of Russia.

## **MAJOR ACTIVITIES IN THE PAST YEAR**

- ✓ Arcasia Forum 15, in Mongolia in Aug.17-22, 2009 and invited UIA president Louise Cox.
- ✓ Agreement for the Mutual Cooperation Between UMA and the Architectural Society of China in Aug. 2009
- ✓ Agreement for the Mutual Cooperation Between UMA and the Union of Architects of Russia in Aug. 2009
- ✓ The UMA 13<sup>th</sup> National Convention in Dec. 2009
- ✓ UMA Awards for Architectural Creativity 2009 (annually)

## **KEY ISSUES FACING THE PROFESSION AND ARCHITECTS**

- Disordered land privatizations effect city planning and architecture.
- Sustainable and Green architecture development.
- Global Financial Crisis still effecting construction field.

## **ARCHITECTURAL AWARDS FOR MEMBERS**

UMA Awards for Architectural Creation are issued annually to UMA members. Architect A. Khishigt has received the Award last year.

## **RESOURCES**

The UMA maintains a full calendar of events ranging from professional development seminars, UMA Annual Awards, competitions, workshops, exhibitions to outreach programs at all levels of the society.

## **PLANS FOR THE FUTURE**

- Organizing a Conference for International Woman Architects related to today's global concerns related with Architecture in 2012 or 2014.
- Organizing extended professional education in Green construction plus high tech cognitive trip in German and France.
- Starting 9 stories UMA office building in Ulaanbaatar.
- Opening an Information centre for architects.
- Publishing magazine on Mongolian Architects work
- Working closely with the Government, local authorities, and other related organization for legislation of architecture activity and preparation of Law of Architecture.
- Organizing an exhibition of young architects.