



VICE PRESIDENT ARCASIA ZONE-A REPORT

ARCASIA COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 12TH - 13TH 2015, AYUTTHAYA, THAILAND.

18TH ARCASIA FORUM & 36TH ARCASIA COUNCIL MEETING



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ZONE A COUNTRY ACTIVITIES

Bangkok, Thailand.
17th January' 2015



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IAB

IAB has just held the Urban Thinkers Forum just in Dhaka which was well attended and successful.

BIA

BIA has been brought back to ARCASIA from a short dormancy, thanks to dynamic leadership of BIA President Dorji Yangki interacting with ARCASIA President NUI and ARCASIA Vice President Zone A.

SLIA

SLIA annual events in Colombo was attended by both ARCASIA President NUI and Vice President Zone A Jahangir Khan among many other dignitaries and attendees. A friendly cricket series was played between SLIA Young architects team and IAP Young Architects team at Colombo. The teams are going to play again in best ARCASIA spirit in Karachi in January 2016.

SONA

SONA has been involved with all ARCASIA countries responding to the Disasterous Earthquake in Nepal. The response of ARCASIA to Nepal has been exemplary.

IIA

IIA hosted the ARCASIA Roundtable on Green and Sustainable Architecture in Kolkata on Oct 5th 2015 hosted by IIA west Bengal Chapter. Full credit to Arif Qazi of IAB for arranging under such short time with IIA after Mongolia plan was changed.



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IAP

1. ARCASIA Young Teacher Training on URBANISM & ARCHITECTURE by Italian Prof Fabio Todeschini from South Africa 7-18th April 2015 Islamabad attended by 20 Young Teachers from all over Pakistan and one each from Bangladesh and Srilanka.

2. ARCASIA ROUNDTABLE SUMMIT on POST-DISASTER RECONSTRUCTION OF NEPAL 1-2 August 2015 An ARCASIA Roundtable Summit for Nepals Post Disaster Reconstruction was attended at the highest level by ARCASIA, UIA, CAA, SAARCH, RIBA,SONA, SLIA, SIA, PAM, ASA, ADPC, UN, USAID, JICA, Heritage Foundation and AKDN along with IAP. Nepals Government was represented by their Ambassador to Pakistan.The Roundtable was succesfully concluded with a Resolution signed by ALL participants.

Arcasia Teacher's Training Workshop

Islamabad, Pakistan.
17th – 19th April' 2015

- The Institute of Architects, Pakistan is determined to improve architectural education in Pakistan. With the number of schools added each year, and lack of trained studio teachers, a series of international workshops have been conducted in the last three years, with **Ar. Prof. Nuno Soares**, and **Ar. Prof. Thomas Daniell** in July 2013 and October 2014 respectively, under the banner of IAP, BAE & ARCASIA which were both a huge success. The workshop was called “Designing the Studio”.
- In 2013 and 2014 two trainings a total of 92 Young teachers learnt how to teach Studio.
- Both these workshops were planned for duration of one week each.
- In February 2016 the scope of this is being widened at an ARCASIA level and IAP is extending invitation to ALL ARCASIA countries to send a young teacher to learn how to teach studio. Please Contact Hon Secretary RAMIZ BAIG and Chairman Karachi Chapter Arif Changezi if you would like to send a teacher to Karachi for one week to be trained.

- **Ar. Prof. Fabio Todeschini** from South Africa was invited for a two week extensive workshop called “Urbanism & Architecture”. One teacher each from countrywide accredited schools was invited including ARCASIA member countries. A total of 18 Pakistani & 2 international teachers from Bangladesh & Sri Lanka participated.
- The Venue for the first workshop was School of Art Design & Architecture (SADA), at NUST University, Islamabad while the second & the current workshop was organized at Comsats Institute of Information Technology (CIIT), Islamabad.



IAP+ARCASIA 2 Weeks Teacher Training Workshop on URBANISM & ARCHITECTURE in Islamabad with Italian Prof. Fabio Todeschini with 18 Young Pakistani Teachers and one each from Bangladesh and Sri Lanka sent by IAB and SLIA Respectively.



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TEACHER'S TRAINING











Aga Khan Travel Exhibition

Islamabad, Pakistan.

11th June' 2015

- The Institute of Architects, Pakistan has been organizing various national and international events in the last many years and the 2013 Aga Khan Award for Architecture is a series of many such exhibitions organized by the Karachi, Lahore & Islamabad Chapters respectively. The Aga Khan Award for architecture is one of the most prestigious international architectural awards in the world and is organized every three years and projects that are completed six years prior to the awards time are eligible for judging.
- The Rawalpindi- Islamabad Chapter of IAP organized the third exhibition titled "Architecture is Life" presenting twenty projects that were selected during the year 2011-2013.

- After the exhibitions success in Karachi and Lahore it was opened for public viewing in Islamabad on June 11 & 12' 2015 at the National Art Gallery. H.E Mr. Istvan Szabo the Hungarian Ambassador to Pakistan inaugurated the show. President IAP, Ar. Jahangir Khan Sherpao briefed the Chief Guest and walked him through the works on display.
- A small ceremony was arranged by the IAP Team to conclude the opening ceremony. Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi , Chairman ARCASIA Committee on Young Architects (ACYA) opened the evening and expressed his views and the efforts made by IAP in the promotion of architecture both in Pakistan and internationally. He spoke on the background of this travel exhibition and briefed the audience of the history of the Aga Khan Awards for Architecture.



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The Aga Khan Award
for Architecture







Arcasia Roundtable Summit on Post-Disaster Reconstruction in Nepal

Islamabad, Pakistan.

1-2nd August' 2015

- ❑ **ADDRESS OF INTERNATIONAL DIGNITARIES:**
- ❑ **AR. ESA MOHAMMAD, UIA PRESIDENT**
- ❑ UIA insuring habitability in the region despite the severe climate change and its devastating catastrophes.
- ❑ **AR. SATHIRUT NUI TANDANAND, ARCASIA PRESIDENT**
- ❑ Assistance from AIA - "ARCASIA was able to reach out to international agencies when we had a meeting with AIA- they were very much interested to help."
- ❑ **AR. KISHORE THAPPA – SONA PRESIDENT, SOCIETY OF NEPALESE ARCHITECTS**
- ❑ Regarded negligence and insensitive measures of design as the real cause of massive destruction. Stated that the country is in the state of modernization, at such a stage we aimed too high without complying to municipal building codes which resulted in unfortunate happenings.
- ❑ SONA is proud enough to provide support to Nepalese government for designing the reconstruction design proposals whose building with commence right after monsoon in October.
- ❑ Brought into light the aspect of relocation for rehabilitation which has socio-cultural and political issues- several villages had to be relocated due to land sliding. Expect international community to lend support and help in relocation and preservation of national heritage.



ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



CONFERENCE DAY: 1

□ **DAY 1- PRESENTATIONS**

- Delegates shared personal experiences when calamity hit their respective countries.
- Brought light to the pre-disaster negligence and post-disaster efforts done by communities at group level as well as national level.
- The role of architects in preventing such disasters done through generic designs and relief efforts for national and international calamities.
- Fostering pride and ownership in the local community.
- Great emphasis on incorporating local craft and indigenous materials in all design and construction techniques to avoid catastrophes and bounce back to normalization once disaster strikes.





