

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
(M.O.U.)

BETWEEN



V4 ARCHITECTURE FOUNDATION
(Hereafter V4AF)

AND



THE ARCHITECTS REGIONAL COUNCIL ASIA
(Hereafter ARCASIA)

SIGNED in
KUALA LUMPUR,
MALAYSIA
on 27 JUNE 2014

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(MOU)**

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And

THE ARCHITECTS REGIONAL COUNCIL ASIA (ARCASIA)

- WHEREAS The V4 Architecture Foundation, hereinafter called **V4AF**, and the Architects Regional Council Asia, hereinafter called **ARCASIA**, having regard to the long standing cultural relations that exists between them and to the expressed intention to reinforce this cooperation where and by all means possible;
- WHEREAS both **V4AF** and **ARCASIA** are Regional Organizations having cooperation with the International Union of Architects (UIA);
- WHEREAS **V4AF** and **ARCASIA** recognize the need to organize a closer cooperation between them, in search of more coherence and rationalization of resources;
- WHEREAS **V4AF** is the Body that represents the architecture of the **Visegrad 4** countries in the framework of a foundation;
- WHEREAS **ARCASIA** is the Body that represents the architectural profession in **ASIA** through its member Institutes/Associations;
- WHEREAS both Organizations enjoy their own statutes, bylaws, procedures and also their full independence;

WHEREAS both Organizations are operating on similar issues from different perspectives and with different legal frameworks;

NOW THEREFORE, convinced that the cooperation described in this Memorandum of Understanding will help consolidate actions and efforts in addressing mutual concerns and interests pertaining to the cooperation of architect offices, enhancing sustainable development, the built environment and heritage among others;

LIKEWISE, confident that this cooperation will also help to promote harmonious coordination between the **V4AF** and the **ARCASIA**, in relation to their respective decisions and actions and;

LIKEWISE, the **V4AF** states hereby that the **ARCASIA** is invited to represent Asian architecture as exhibitor of high priority on the occasion of the World Day of Architecture in the autumn of 2014 and also organizes a conference with the participation of **ARCASIA**;

FURTHER MORE, the two Parties announce their cooperation informing the architects all over the world at the UIA XXV Durban Congress in august 2014 as well as support each other mutually in order to advance the election of their candidates.

THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS NOW AGREED THE FOLLOWING;

- 1) To rationalize the resources of the Parties in pertinent activities at all levels;
 - 2) To reinforce the capacity for action of the Parties; To explore opportunities for joint positions and *I* or joint actions of the Parties;
 - 3) To cooperate in lobbying activities, if and when appropriate.
 - 4) To ensure reciprocal representation at their respective working bodies
 - 5) To share information of mutual interest
- AND THAT FINALLY the Parties undertake to establish a closer cooperation between them at political, technical and working levels and that both will strike out details of this cooperation.
 - This MOU shall be valid until recall.

On behalf of V4AF

On behalf of ARCASIA

Ernő Kálmán DLA
President V4FA

Pei Ing Tan
President ARCASIA

Witnessed by:

27 June 2014
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia