ARCASIA Committee on Social Responsibility (ACSR)

Committee Report

Kathmandu Nepal
6 - 7 October 2013
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Inaugural Meeting - Bali, 2 November 2012
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2nd Meeting of ACSR : 5 October 2013

Venue: Kathmandu, Nepal

Attendance: ALACE, ASA, ASC, HKIA, IAB, IAP, IIA, JIA, KIRA, PAM, SIA, SONA, VAA
Definition:

**Social Responsibility** is an ethical ideology or theory that an entity, be it an organization or individual, has an obligation to act to benefit society at large.
The International Standard
ISO 26000:2010
Guidance on Social Responsibility provides harmonized, globally relevant guidance for private and public sector organizations of all types based on international consensus among expert representatives of the main stakeholder groups, and so encourage the implementation of best practice in social responsibility worldwide.
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ISO 26000:2010

Social responsibility: 7 core subjects

Holistic approach

6.2* Organizational
6.3* Human rights
6.4* Labour practices

6.7* Consumer issues
6.6* Fair operating practices
6.5* The environment

ORGANIZATION

Interdependence
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Seven Core Subjects:

- Organizational Governance
- Human Rights
- Labour Practices
- The Environment
- Fair Operating Practices
- Consumer Issues
- Community Involvement & Development
Principles of Social Responsibility:

- General
- Accountability
- Transparency
- Ethical Behaviour
- Respect for Stakeholder Interests
- Respect for Rule of law
- Respect for International Norms of Behaviour
- Respect for Human Rights
Proposed Topic:

• Climate Change
• Natural Disasters
• Disaster Prevention, Preparedness & Risk Reduction
• Aging Population
• Universal Design (Design for All)
• Architecture for Humanity
• Social Housing and Livable Conditions
• Heritage and Cultural Conservation
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Proposed Topic:

- Community Planning and Improvement
- Appropriate Use of Building Materials
- Sustainable Design Approaches
- Role of Architects in Community Based Developments
- Certification System for Rating of Barrier-Free Design
- Legalization of Building Maintenance Services
- Sustainable Regeneration of Extg Housing & Community
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Pyramid of Social Responsibilities

**Levels of Involvement**
- Global
- Country/Region
- Professional Institute
- Architectural Practices
- School & University
- Individual

**Outputs / Achievements**
- Treaties
- Laws/Regulations
- Conference/Forums
- Codes/Design Guidelines
- Course Revision/Publications
- Self-Discipline/Active Involvement/Lectures/Papers
Report on the progress of ACSR to ARCASIA OBs at the following Meetings:

• Launch of ACSR during the UAP Summit in Boracay in February 2012
• 1st OBs Meeting in Kuala Lumpur on 18 Jan 2013
• 2nd OBs Meeting in Manila on 19 April 2013
• 3rd OBs Meeting in Weihai on 16 August 2013
• 4th OBs Meeting in Kathmandu on 5 October 2013
From Mar - Oct 2013, ACSR liaised with SONA to organize:

1. Universal Design *Public Toilet for All* Design Competition for Nepal, July - October 2013

2. Half-day *Post Forum 17 Symposium* on Architecture and Social Responsibility in Kathmandu on 10 October 2013

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Design Competition: Nepal Students & Professionals for a “Universal Design Public Toilet Facility”
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At due date, there was a total of 49 design submissions, 17 from the professionals and 32 from the students.

The five (5) Winners from each Category will be awarded Prize Money on the 10 October 2013.
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Post - Forum Symposium on Architecture and Social Responsibility

Session 1 - Theme: *Universal Design & Accessibility*

Session 2 - Theme: *Design for Natural Disasters*

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<td><strong>Dr. Bijaya K. Shrestha (Nepal)</strong></td>
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2\textsuperscript{nd} ACSR Meeting
1. Prepare an ARCASIA Resources Document of the currently available research & reports on disaster related design, prevention, preparedness, reduction, management and reconstruction for all aspects of natural disaster, for rural and urban context - fire, flooding, earthquakes, typhoons, etc. (Led by IIA – ALACE, ASC, IAB, IAP, JIA, SONA, VAA)

2. Promote the use of Universal Design and Access as good practice in design (Led by SIA – ASA, HKIA, KIRA, PAM)
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3. Provide **advice** and **capacity building workshops** to Member Institutes to promote architecture for humanity, architecture for all (aged & disabled) *(Led by PAM – ASA, HKIA, IAB, SIA, UAP)*

4. Promote the practice of **building inspection schemes** to Architects to ensure structural safety and to prevent building collapse caused by illegal alterations and change of use *(Led by KIRA – HKIA, PAM, SIA, ASC)*
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5. Promote the **inclusion of social responsibility** in the curriculum of architectural courses (Led by IAB – ALACE, ASA, IAP, PAM)

6. Prepare an **ARCASIA Document** as a design guide using heritage and traditional architectural elements as design source (Led by KIRA – ASC, ALACE, IAI, AAM, UMA)
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7. Develop an **ARCASIA Charter on Social Responsibility** to be launched during ACA16 at Kuala Lumpur in 2014 (Led by HKIA – PAM, SIA, UAP)

8. Form **Emergency Architects ARCASIA** to provide aids & assistance to our region in the event of emergencies without seeking assistance from outside our region (Led by HKIA – ALACE, ASC, IAB, IAP, IIA, JIA, SONA, VAA)
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9. Formation of an **Universal Design Centre** for Asia with ASA to provide a research, knowledge base & good practice examples for our region in the area of inclusive design and access for all (Led by ASA – HKIA, JIA, PAM, SIA)

Communication
Develop “Facebook” for committee networking
Ongoing activities - Disaster Management & Mitigation:

• Publish a Directory of the Architects/Experts with experience relating to natural disasters – design pre & post-disaster, management and mitigation, reconstruction, supervision, training, etc.
-- Passive Observers

++ Active Participants

Leaders in the Professions

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WE NEED YOU TO ACT!
Thank You

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