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01. BRIEF HISTORY OF THE INSTITUTE

The Architectural Society of China (ASC) is a nation-wide academic organization consisting of professionals in architectural science and technology. Registered in the Ministry of Civil Affairs, ASC is a non-profit social organization under professional guidance of the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, and an official member of China Association for Science and Technology. ASC is the country member of both the International Union of Architects (UIA) and the Architects Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA). ASC is also the member of the Central Committee of the APEC Architect Project and Canberra Accord on Architectural Education.

Founded in 1953, ASC is one of the longest established academic organizations of the People's Republic of China. The mission of ASC is to unite architectural professionals across the country under the leadership of the CPC, to inherit and promote the outstanding architectural culture of the Chinese nation, to uphold the principle of "letting a hundred flowers blossom and a hundred schools of thought contend", to conduct academic exchange and research on architectural science and technology, to foster academic prosperity and architectural creation, and to facilitate the popularization of architectural science and technology and the development of talent in architecture. ASC defines its development strategy by adhering to "Pursuit of Academic Research, Pioneer in Building Industry, Think-Tank to Government, Home for Members". In the country's development, by fully leveraging an academic organization's strength in talented resources, ASC has played a substantial role in drawing on the collective expertise to serve the public, and has become an important social force to promote the development of China's architectural science and technology.

02. CURRENT OFFICE BEARERS OF THE INSTITUTE

The current office bearers were elected at ASC National General Assembly in 2021 for a term of 5 years.

President:	XIU Long
Vice Presidents:	WANG Jianguo, WANG Cuikun, LONG Weiguo, ZHUANG Weimin, LIU Jiaping, XU Jiefeng, SONG Yuan, MENG Jianmin, MEI Hongyuan, CHANG Qing, CUI Kai
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03. CURRENT MEMBERSHIP STRENGTH

Up to August 2024, ASC has 79485 individual members, 1060 fellow members and 3077 corporate members.

04. BUDGET OF THE INSTITUTE

The fund for ASC is from 3 channels, the financial allocation from the Ministry of Housing and Urban & Rural Development and the China Association of Science and Technology, part of the fund is collected by ASC General Secretariat from membership fees and consulting services. The Secretary General is the legal person of the General Secretariat and authorizes the spending.

05. NUMBER OF CHAPTERS

ASC Council comprises 5 working committees and there are 60 sub-institutes under the umbrella of ASC. ASC and provincial architect institutes maintain close ties in organizational terms and work closely together in business through co-hosting various academic and professional exchange activities, jointly promoting the architectural development in China. The Secretariat of ASC is the permanent administrative body of ASC composed of 9 departments.

06. CONGRESS OF THE INSTITUTE

The National Congress of ASC is held every five years to elect the Council, the Standing Council, and the Supervisory Board. The Council comprises 5 working committees, namely Internal Affairs Committee, Awards Committee, Standards Committee, Science Popularization Committee, and International Exchange Committee.

07. LEGAL STATUS OF THE INSTITUTE

ASC is the only national organization representing architects in the country. ASC is recognized by the government and is registered by the Ministry of Civil Affairs as a juridical association. The ASC is a multi-disciplinary institute including architects, engineers and other professionals in the field of building industry.

08. LEGAL STATUS OF THE ARCHITECT IN THE COUNTRY

The architect registration system in China has been put into practice from 1995, and those who graduated from the schools of architecture can take part in the national examination for registration. By passing the examination, candidate is qualified for registration. After registration, the architect holds the title of Registered Architect. Now in China there are only a few firms for private practice. Most of the firms are government owned design institutes (offices). But there is a trend of transforming from government owned design institute into partnership or joint-stock company.

For practice in China, there is double-control on the “license”, the business license and the qualification license. The business license is issued by the National or Provincial Bureau of Industrial and Commercial Administration to a design institute for commercial operation. The qualification license is issued by the Ministry of Housing and Urban & Rural Development or the Provincial Construction Commission for undertaking architectural and/or building designs. There are presently 3 classes for architectural design offices, namely Class A, B and C. Class A is unlimited in the projects they can undertake, Class B limited to medium and small projects; and Class C to small projects. The qualification is based on the number of registered architects and/or registered structural engineers employed in the said office. For example, there should be no less than 3 Class-1 registered architects and/or 3 Class-1 registered structural engineers in a Class A office; One Class-1 registered architect and/or one Class-1 registered structural engineer in a Class B office; and one Class-2 registered architect and/or one Class-2 registered structural engineer in a Class C office. The qualification is re-examined and renewed every two years. No business license will be issued without firstly obtaining the qualification license.

The scale of design fee is jointly published by the National Development and Reform Commission and the Ministry of Housing and Urban & Rural Development. It is more or less a guidance scale, and the client can still negotiate with the design offices for higher or lower rates.

09. ARCHITECTS REGISTRATION AUTHORITY IN THE COUNTRY

According to the law issued by the central government, architects’ registration is undertaken by NABAR (National Administration Board of Architectural Registration). The latest edition of Registered Architects Ordinance of China was issued on January 29, 2008 and the Bylaws of the Registered Architects were implemented from 1st July 1996. As of March 2023, there are 41065 registered architects (within the term of validity) in China.

10. INTERNATIONAL AFFILIATIONS OF THE INSTITUTE

ASC joined in the International Union of Architects (UIA) as a national section in 1955. The UIA 20th World Congress of Architects was held in Beijing in 1999 when the Beijing Charter as drafted by the Chinese team was adopted by the Congress and became one of the three charters ever issued by the UIA. During the 29th UIA General

Assembly that took place in Copenhagen on 9 July 2023, ASC together with the Beijing government won the bid to host the 30th UIA World Congress of Architects scheduled to take place in 2029. After a span of 30 years, Beijing will once again play host to the UIA World Congress of Architects.

ASC joined in the Architects Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA) as a national member in 1989, and successively hosted the ARCASIA Forum in Beijing in 1991 and the 12th and the 19th Asian Congress of Architects in Beijing and Shanghai in 2006 and 2021 respectively.

Besides, ASC is also the member of the Central Committee of the APEC Architect Project and Canberra Accord on Architectural Education.

ASC maintains close relationship with architect institutes worldwide with more than ten cooperation agreements signed. ASC with Architectural Institute of Japan (AIJ) and Architectural Institute of Korea (AIK) co-organize the International Symposium on Architecture Interchanges in Asia (ISAIA) every other year. In 2018, ASC and Messe München co-founded the China Architectural Design Expo (CADE) which is the first exhibition in the Asia Pacific region focused on serving architects and designers and showcasing future trends in architectural design.

11. MAJOR PROGRAMS OF THE INSTITUTE IN THE PAST YEAR

“Pursuit of Academic Research” as the Foundation: Forging New Horizons for Academic Exchange

I. Organizing Branded Academic Events

2024 Academic Annual Conference of the Architectural Society of China (ASC)

On October 11, the 2024 Annual Academic Conference of the Architectural Society of China (ASC), co-hosted by ASC and the Shaoxing Municipal People’s Government, was ceremoniously inaugurated in Keqiao, Shaoxing. With the theme “Building a Sustainable Future”, the conference offered a rich program, including an opening ceremony, an academican salon, keynote speeches, 22 specialized sub-forums, 3 academic salons, and 4 thematic exhibitions, such as the Zhejiang Urban Construction Exhibition. This grand event gathered over 2,000 participants, including distinguished academicians, leading experts, scholars, university faculty and students, as well as media representatives from domestic and international architectural communities. The conference served as a vibrant platform for exchanging insights on cutting-edge academic theories, innovative technologies, and practical achievements in the field of architectural science and technology.

China Architectural Design Expo (CADE)

The 2024 (Shanghai) China Architectural Design Expo (CADE) was held in Shanghai from October 16 to 19 under the theme “Renewal and Innovation.” The Expo showcased China’s achievements in construction science and technology, elevated global influence of Chinese architects, enriched architectural culture, and contributed to improving living environments. In 2018, ASC and Messe München co-founded the China Architectural Design Expo (CADE) which is the first exhibition in the Asia Pacific region focused on serving architects and designers and showcasing future trends in architectural design.

Beijing International Urban Design Conference

The 8th Beijing International Urban Design Conference of 2024, themed “Change, Inheritance, and Inclusiveness”, was convened on November 16. Since initiation in 2016 by Beijing University of Civil Engineering and Architecture (BUCEA), the Architectural Society of China (ASC), and the China Architecture Culture Center, the conference has been successfully held seven times. This year’s conference brought together renowned domestic and international experts and scholars in urban and rural development and heritage preservation. Discussions focused on exploring innovative, technology-driven pathways to advance urban renewal initiatives in China, with a particular focus on Beijing. These efforts aim to promote high-quality urban development and ensure the protection and preservation of historical and cultural heritage.

ASC Young Architects’ Lecture Series

To fully leverage the exemplary role of recipients of the “Architectural Design Award · Young Architect Award,” the Science and Technology Training Center of ASC (ASC) has hosted two editions of the ASC Young Architects’ Lecture Series since 2023. The events have drawn over 500 attendees in person and an impressive online audience of 200,000 participants. By August 2024, ASC’s 63 affiliated branches have also organized numerous high-level academic forums over the past two years. These forums span various disciplines and fields, showcasing ASC’s dedication to fostering interdisciplinary and advanced academic exchange.

II. Deepening International Scientific Exchange, Supporting National Development Strategies

Beijing Elected Host City of 2029 UIA World Congress

During the 29th UIA General Assembly that took place in Copenhagen on 9 July 2023, ASC together with the Beijing government won the bid to host the 30th UIA World Congress of Architects scheduled to take place in 2029. Beijing previously hosted the 20th UIA World Congress back in 1999. After a span of 30 years, Beijing will once again play host to this grand event. This is a testament to our contribution to the city’s pursuit of high-quality development and will provide support for the implementation of the Master Plan of Beijing

Promoting Representation in International Organizations, Talent Development, and Enhancing the International Presence of Chinese Architects

In 2023, nominated by ASC, Professor Zhang Li, Dean of the School of Architecture at Tsinghua University, was elected as Vice President of the International Union of Architects (UIA). The nominations for directors and members of the UIA Commissions and Work Programmes for the 2023–2026 term were also finalized. Currently, ASC has 12 committee members and 16 work group members serving in various roles at the UIA.

Within the Architects Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA), ASC representatives also hold several positions, including Editor-in-Chief of *Architecture Asia* (Professor Wu Jiang, former Executive Vice President of Tongji University), Chair of the ARCASIA Committee on Professional Practice (Zhang Wei, Vice President of Tsinghua University's Architectural Design and Research Institute), and five other committee roles. Additionally, ASC recommended seven experts, including Professor Wu Jiang, to serve on the UN Advisory Committee on Sustainable Cities, Communities, and Historical Heritage Preservation under the China Association for Science and Technology (CAST).

ASC has also actively facilitated Chinese architects' participation in international awards hosted by UIA and ARCASIA. In the 2023 ARCASIA Awards for Architecture, Chinese architects achieved outstanding results, securing seven Gold Awards and nine Honorary Mentions. Furthermore, Professor Yuan Feng of Tongji University, nominated by ASC, received the 2023 UIA Award for Innovation in Architectural Technology. This prestigious recognition makes him the third Chinese architect to win a major UIA prize. His achievement follows those of Academician Wu Liangyong, who received the UIA Jean Tschumi Prize for Architectural Education in 1996, and Academician Wang Xiaodong, who was awarded the UIA Sir Robert Matthew Prize for Sustainable and Humane Environments in 2005.

Participating in international organizations events, broadening channels for global exchange, and building platforms for international collaboration for members and domestic professionals in China

In November 2023, ASC, in collaboration with the CITIC General Institute of Architectural Design and Research, hosted the "Urban Renewal Explorations and ARCASIA Award-Winning Architects Exchange Forum" in Wuhan. The event featured presentations by recent ARCASIA Award recipients, fostering cross-regional dialogue and sharing of expertise.

In March 2024, the "2024 Mainland-Hong Kong Architecture Forum" was held in Guangzhou under the guidance of the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development (MOHURD), Guangdong Provincial Government, and Hong Kong SAR

Government Development Bureau. Concurrently, ASC and the Hong Kong Institute of Architects co-organized sub-forums on architecture, landscape design, and urban planning.

In February and June 2024, ASC President Xiu Long led delegations to visit the Hong Kong Institute of Architects and the Architects Association of Macau. During the Hong Kong visit, President Xiu attended the *I.M. Pei: Life Is Architecture* retrospective exhibition and held discussions with Li Chung (Sandi) Pei, co-founder of Pei Architects.

In September 2024, President Xiu Long and a delegation attended the 14th International Symposium on Architectural Interchanges in Asia (ISAIA) in Kyoto, Japan. Six ASC-recommended experts delivered keynote speeches and presentations in sub-forums. Over 100 domestic experts, young scholars, and students participated in the conference.

From November 14 to 20, 2024, President Xiu Long led a delegation traveled to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, to attend the UIA 2024 International Forum and Extraordinary General Assembly.

“Pioneer in Building Industry” as the Key Approach: Driving New Developments in Industry Advancement

I. Undertaking the office work of National Administrative Board of Architect Registration (NABAR)

ASC undertakes the office work of NABAR. Under the Board, we have established different work groups such as work groups on architects’ registration, licensing examination and professional education. A lot of reforms are going on in each work group and a lot of works need to be done. For example:

In the Examination work group, National first-class registered architect qualification examination has been reformed by restructuring 9 test divisions into 6. (The reformed exam emphasizes more on the practice of architecture and test items have been condensed but covers more areas)

In the Architect Registration work group, we worked with NABAR to further simplify materials required for the application of first-class architect registration, improve review services and reduce the time it takes to gain approval.

In the Professional Education work group, we worked with NABAR to publish Registered Architects Continuing Education Requirements to further standardize the procedures and arrangements of continuing education for registered architects and increase their knowledge and competence in the practice of architecture.

Meanwhile, ASC together with NABAR published Codes of Ethics and Conduct for Registered Architects. ASC has also brought together experts to discuss and draw up Architect's Handbook of Professional Practice. This handbook will provide guidance for architects on every aspect of the practice and clearly state the rights and duties of all the involved parties

II. Assisting the National Board of Architectural Education Accreditation (NBAA)

Authorized by the MOHURD, ASC manages the daily operations of the NBAA Secretariat. In 2023–2024, ASC successfully facilitated the accreditation process for architectural programs, organizing 72 expert visits across 18 universities from March to May. To date, 80 universities nationwide have achieved accreditation, accounting for 26% of the 303 universities offering architecture programs. However, no universities in Qinghai, Ningxia, Tibet, or Hainan Province have yet been accredited. To address this, ASC proactively collaborated with accreditation experts to visit institutions in these regions, providing guidance and support to enhance their programs.

ASC facilitated the periodic review under the Canberra Accord. From May 26 to June 2, 2024, experts from the Canberra Accord conducted a periodic review visit of China's architectural education accreditation system. During the visit, Canberra Accord representatives visited the NBAA office, held discussions with ASC and the Professional Qualification Registration Center of MOHURD, and observed an on-site visit of the five-year B. Arch Program at Central South University. They also attended the NBAA's general meeting in Xuzhou. Throughout the review process, ASC provided dedicated liaisons to assist the visiting experts. The final report from the Canberra Accord review will be presented for deliberation and voting during the 2025 Canberra Accord General Assembly.

III. Development of Association Standards

To promote the scientific advancement of ASC standards and enhance the rigor of its standardization efforts, ASC established the Standards Working Committee in September 2017. As of August 2024, ASC has issued 55 standards, with two standards receiving the Second Prize for Technological Innovation in Standards from the China Association for Engineering Construction Standardization in 2023. ASC's standards now cover a wide range of fields, including healthy buildings and communities, building industrialization, smart buildings, age-friendly architecture, building electrical systems, renovation of existing buildings, building epidemic prevention, construction engineering and materials.

IV. Appraisal of Scientific and Technological Achievements

To strengthen and refine the evaluation system for scientific and technological

achievements in the architecture industry, ASC launched its appraisal program in 2017. This initiative seeks to hasten the conversion of technology advancements into useful applications by leveraging the role that appraisals play in connecting architectural science with social and economic growth. By the end of August 2024, ASC had arranged 49 appraisal meetings that covered a wide range of topics, including architectural design theory and technology, structural engineering, heritage preservation, and green building technologies.

“Think-Tank to Government” as the Responsibility: Supporting High-Quality Urban and Rural Development

Fully leveraging talented professionals and giving rein to its role as a think tank, ASC brings together experts to actively engage in the construction of China’s key projects. ASC mobilized architects to take part in “the Ten Grand Buildings” in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the founding of the PRC in the 1950s, the design competitions for bridge tower of Nanjing Yangtze River Bridge in the 1960s and China Pavilion for the 2010 Shanghai Expo, design workshops for Xiong’an Civic Center and Taizicheng Snow Town at Zhangjiakou of the 2022 Beijing Winter Olympics, urban and architectural designs for Beijing, Shanghai, Chongqing, Hangzhou, Zhengdong New District of Zhengzhou, Kaifeng, Sanya, Dunhuang, Hulun Buir, Weihai, Qingdao, Dezhou, Beichuan, Yushu, Anyang, etc., and preservation workshops of the historic cities of Suzhou, Quanzhou, Shaoxing, Xi’an, Liulin in Shanxi, etc. ASC has also organized architectural designs for the post-earthquake construction of Tangshan, Wenchuan and Yushu, and offered consultancy on urban design and project development for local governments and development agencies, practicing ASC’s social responsibilities and professional commitment.

In 2024, entrusted by the Shaoxing Municipal Bureau of Housing and Urban-Rural Development, ASC assisted in planning the “Better Housing for the People and the 2024 Shaoxing Better Housing Design Competition.” The competition aimed to select a series of innovative and exemplary residential design solutions that better meet the growing aspirations of the public for quality living environments.

Also in 2024, ASC was entrusted by the Jinghu New District of Shaoxing to assist in planning the design proposal solicitation for the No. 58 Shengli East Road Housing Project.

“Home for Members” as the Goal: Delivering Thoughtful Services for Science and Technology Professionals

ASC builds platforms for the growth and support of science and technology talent through initiatives such as talent recognition, awards, recommendations, academic seminars, science and technology salons, and science popularization activities.

I. Talent Recommendations

Recommending Candidates for the Two Academies

Entrusted by CAST, ASC organized the nomination process for 2023 academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) and the Chinese Academy of Engineering (CAE). A total of 16 nominees, recommended by ASC's branches and institutional members, submitted their application materials for consideration. On July 13, 2023, ASC held a recommendation meeting in Beijing, with an expert committee consisting of 12 academicians and masters. After thorough deliberation, ASC recommended 12 candidates to CAST, including 3 for CAS and 9 for CAE. Of these, 7 candidates successfully passed CAST's review process and became valid nominees for academicians of the two academies

II. Promoting Science Popularization

ASC has more than a hundred scientific popularization sites located in architectural schools, design institutes, experts' and academicians' studios, museums, libraries, research centers, architectural media and production bases. These sites are open to the public on a regular basis, and nearly a hundred educational activities are held every year.

1) Architectural Talks Series

To promote innovative urban development and facilitate structured urban renewal, ASC's Science and Technology Training Center partnered with the Professional Committee on Building Renovation and Urban Renewal to launch the Architectural Talks: Urban Renewal series of free live-streamed lectures. In 2022, the series featured 11 sessions, drawing nearly 400,000 online viewers.

2) Organizing "New Energy Zero-Carbon Building" Workshop Series. Supporting China's "3060" dual carbon goals.

Under the guidance of CAST, the sixth session of the CAST Party School National Association special training program was jointly held by the Service Center for Societies of CAST, ASC, ASC's Science and Technology Training Center, and Shenzhen University. The event was held in Shenzhen on November 23, 2023, and was live-streamed to an audience of nearly 30,000 participants.

3) "Big Hands Holding Small Hands": Helping Liancheng Enterprises "go out"

In June 2023, ASC conducted a survey and roundtable discussion in Liancheng County, Fujian Province, focusing on the development of local construction enterprises. The discussions explored enterprise management, project implementation, operational challenges, and urban renewal strategies. The two sides also discussed collaboration opportunities and future visions.

4) Special Skills Training Program “Intelligent Construction in the Architecture Sector”
On January 7, 2023, ASC launched the special skills training program “Intelligent Construction in the Architecture Sector”. This program focuses on advancing national vocational education in information technology and training skilled professionals for the intelligent construction industry. Through online training sessions and assessments, a total of 139 participants successfully completed the program and received their certificates.

5) “Appreciating Architectural Imprints” Book Club Lecture Series

In 2023, ASC organized two sessions of the Appreciating Architectural Imprints book club lecture series, marking the 10th and 11th installments in the series. The 10th session, titled Urban Renewal in the Post-Olympic Era, and the 11th, The Poetic Life of an Architect, were held both online and offline, attracting a total of over 13,000 participants.

6) New Energy Architecture School (NEAS) Lecture Series

On November 22, 2023, ASC’s Science and Technology Training Center hosted the NEAS Lecture Series in Shenzhen. NEAS was dedicated to advancing terminal applications of science and technology in the integration of photovoltaics and architecture. The lecture series brought together experts from the photovoltaic and architectural sectors to engage in cross-industry academic exchanges, contributing actively to the exploration and research of innovative solutions for green and low-carbon development.

7) Future Urban Development Talent Training Program

To promote new development concepts, advance the construction of new urbanization, and foster livable, resilient, and smart cities, ASC’s Science and Technology Training Center collaborated with the Professional Committee on Building Renovation and Urban Renewal to host the “Future Urban Development Talent Training Program”. Held in Xiong’an New Area on March 21–22, 2024, the program was attended by over 30 participants.

8) Online Special Training Program on Intelligent Construction (Application of BIM Technology and Prefabricated Buildings)

To enhance the specialized skills of professionals in intelligent construction and strengthen the workforce in this field, ASC hosted the online specialized training program on Intelligent Construction (Application of BIM Technology and Prefabricated Buildings) on June 22–23, 2024. The program attracted more than 40 participants.

12. ARCHITECTURAL COMPETITIONS/AWARDS FOR MEMBERSHIP DURING THE YEAR UNDER REVIEW

ARCASIA awards.

Collaborated with ARCASIA and SLIA to execute 2024 ARCASIA Awards for Architecture and nominated Prof. Wu Jiang, ASC's Standing Council Member as the Convenor for the AAA Awards for the 2024 cycle. Organized and assisted members of ASC to apply for 2024 ARCASIA Awards for Architecture and organized the collection of works for 2024 ARCASIA Thesis of the Year Awards in China.

The Liang Sicheng Architecture Prize Editions 2020 & 2022.

On 23 September 2022, the jury meeting for the 2020 (10th) and 2022 (11th) Liang Sicheng Architecture Prize was held. The jury selected Japanese architect **Arata Isozaki** and Chinese architect **Li Xinggong** winners of the 2020 (10th) Liang Sicheng Architecture Prize. Chinese architects **Zhang Li** and **Hu Yue** won the 2022 (11th) Liang Sicheng Architecture Prize. On 28 April 2023, the Awarding Ceremony for the 10th and 11th Liang Sicheng Architecture Prize was held.

Liang Sicheng Architecture Prize was originally organized by the Ministry of Construction and was transferred to ASC in 2014. With the strong support of UIA, it now opens to the world and has become an international prize awarded for architects and architectural scholars. It is aimed at recognizing practicing architects, architectural theorists and architectural educators who have made significant achievements and outstanding contributions in the architectural field, and is a lifetime honor award for individuals.

13. KEY ISSUES FACING THE ARCHITECTS/ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSION /INSTITUTE IN THE COUNTRY

With urbanization entering the transformative phase, China's building industry has seen a decreasing number of construction projects, growing competition in the market and a decline in the total number of students as well as the number of high-performing students enrolled in architectural schools.

14. RESOURCES OF THE INSTITUTE

ASC has been dedicated to the brand building of high-quality academic journals, including *Journal of Asian Architecture and Building Engineering (JAABE)* as jointly edited and published in English with AIJ and AIK, and the English journal of *Architecture Asia* as commissioned by ARCASIA. ASC's core journal, *Architectural Journal*, was awarded the Advanced Group of National Professional and Technical Talents in 2021. *Journal of Building Structure* was listed among the A Hundred Preeminent Chinese Journals and was honored as one of the China's Most Internationally Influential Academic Journals. ASC also owns other publications including *Architectural Practice*, *Construction Economy*, *Chinese Journal of Geotechnical Engineering*, and *Earthquake Resistant Engineering and Retrofitting*, etc., all of which rank top in professional journals with a wide readership.

15. PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

2025 International Urban Design Conference. Jointly hosted by ASC, Henan Provincial Department of Housing and Urban- Rural Department and the People's Government of Zhengzhou, the fourth International Urban Design Conference plans to be held in Zhengdong New District, Zhengzhou City, Henan Province.

2025 (12th) Liang Sicheng Architecture Nomination, Evaluation and Selection. According to Liang Sicheng Architecture Prize Selection Criteria, the awarding process includes an announcement of opening for nominations, nomination committee meetings, evaluation and selection committee meeting, announcement of winners and the final awarding ceremony.

ASC Architectural Design Award Nomination, Evaluation and Selection. ASC Architectural Design Award, established in 1992, is an important professional award in the Chinese architectural industry, aiming to encourage architectural creation, upgrade architectural design and elevate the quality of building construction.

ASC Science and Technology Award Nomination, Evaluation and Selection.

2025 ASC Annual Convention