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Brief History of the Institute



Architects Association of Macau (AAM) is established in 1987 with more than 300 members currently. Aiming to unit its members, committing to raise the professional standards and the social recognition of architects in Macau, AAM plays a substantial role to the development of the city and has continually strived to promote Macau architecture to the world.

As an international recognized association of professional architects and an active member of the international organizations, AAM has maintained a close relationship with different architectural associations globally and actively involved with UIA, ARCASIA, ACA, WACA, CIALP in the past 30 years.

Many successful international conferences and events were hosted by AAM in Macau including:

- The 7th CIALP Congress in June 1999;
- The 12th CIALP Congress in December 2010;
- An architecture exhibition on “Modernism in the Portuguese Speaking Countries” in Tokyo and Macau in 2011;
- The 11th Asian Conference of Architects and the 25th ARCASIA Council Meeting in November 2014, etc.
- The WACA Annual Council Meeting and Academic Conference in 2011.
- The WACA Annual Council Meeting and Academic Conference in 2016.

Locally, through organizing activities, CPDs, field trips, courses and other less formal lunches or dinner gatherings, AAM strives to promote the fellowship among its members and that with other professionals of the building industry, as well as the government departments.

AAM's Mission

AAM is an international recognized association of professional architects with the aim of providing outstanding professional services to serve our city. Our objective is to promote general advancement of architecture through continuous education and raise the standards of Architecture and professional services offered by members of AAM.



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Current Office Bearers of the Institute



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	韋嘉達	Francisco Ricarte	
	黃業雄	Jimmy Wardhana	
	梁頌燊	Leong Chong San, Ryan	
	洪繼聰	Hong Kai Chong, Vincent	
	施冠雄	Si Kun Hong, Gor Si	
	鄭劍藝	Zheng Jianyi	
	黃震寰	Wong Chun Wan, Bruce	
	陳凱華	Chan Hoi Wa, Nick	
候補理事 Substitutes	馬智暉	Ma Chi Fai, Ives	
	董文杰	Rong Man Kit, Kevin	
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副監事長 Vice President	鄭冠偉	Cheang Kun Wai, Paulo	
監事 Directors	龍發枝	Long Fat Chi, Dennio	
	杜潔雲	Tou Kit Wan, Karen	
	林立仁	Lam Lap Yan, Manuel	
候補監事 Substitute	陳聰	Chan Chong, Alfreda	
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Current Membership Strength

NUMBER OF ARCHITECTS; ARCHITECTURAL PRACTICE/FIRMS DATA, PROFESSIONAL REGISTERED & LICENSED ARCHITECTS

Officially Macau registered Architects (June 2025) as follows:

- Total Registered Architects: 433
- **Valid Registration (2025): 193**
- Mentor Architects: 117
- Approved Internship: 70
- Qualify for Registration Exam: 62

ARCHITECTS QUALIFICATION:

- Macau:	6
- China:	194
- Hong Kong:	21
- Taiwan:	51
- America:	24
- Portugal:	78
- England:	16
- Australia:	22
- Other:	21
- Total:	433

Data:

<https://www.caeu.gov.mo/statistics/?id=107>

<https://www.dsscu.gov.mo/zh/publicinfo/node-190>

These regard exclusively to private sector, as Architect Civil Servants are exempted from registration renewal.

Architectural professional practice in Macau is subject to a wide variety of conditions, however within the following relevant areas:

- **GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SECTOR:**

Gov., Municipality, Cultural Institute, Housing Institute and others.

- **PRIVATE SECTOR:**

Architecture Firms, Consultant companies, Contractors, University Academics, etc.

- AAM Members: 419
- **Active Members (2025) : 130**



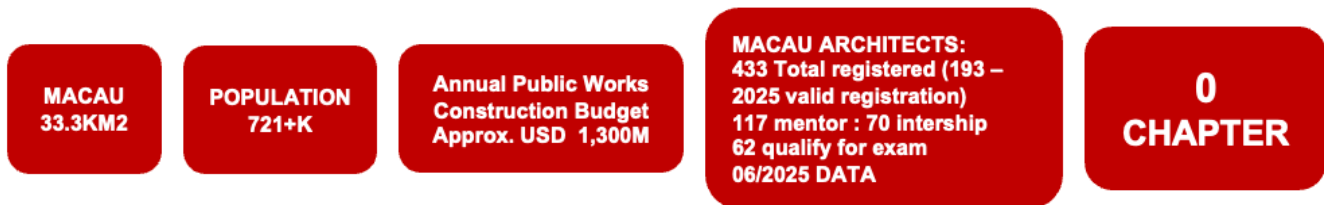
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Budget of the Institute

Funds for AAM are mainly through the following 4 channels:

- Annual membership subscriptions
- Government subsidy for projects
- AAM events
- External supports and sponsors

Number of Chapters : One Central Association with 0 chapter



AGM/Congress of the Institute

The daily operation of AAM is executed by the Board of Directors with the supervision of General Assembly and Supervisory Board:

- **Day to day communications:** The board of directors are actively communicated via WhatsApp group (main group, sub working groups) for daily operations.
- **Monthly Board Meeting:** Hybrid Mode Meeting to report on monthly works, upcoming events and any decisions to be made or put forward for discussions.
- **Supervisory Board:** Annual Meeting to approve the works and financial report of Board of Director for the year.
- **General Assembly:** Annual General Assembly – December
- **AAM terms Duration** - Every 2 years with the board structures (General Assembly, Board of Directors, Supervisory Board and Fellow Members Council) to be elected at General Assembly

Webinar and Seminar are held regularly average to a monthly basis, Annual conference generally held during World Architecture Day (Oct).



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Legal Status of the Institute

The Architects Association of Macau is an independent Non-Profit Organization in Macau.

Legal Status of the Architect in Macau

Architects are registered through the government department: Conselho De Arquitectura, Engenharia e Urbansimo (<https://www.caeu.gov.mo/>) with the following requirements:

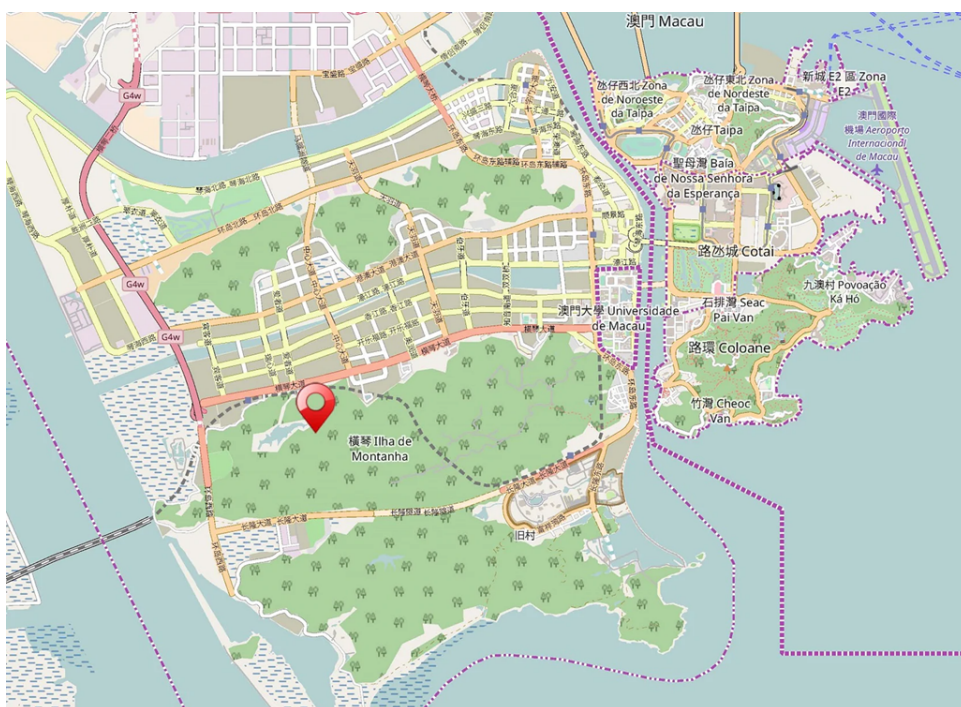
- Valid Architecture Degree
- Completed a local internship program at an Architecture Practice with a registered Architect's Mentor. (minimum duration: 2 years)
- Examination with the CAEU Registration board; written and oral

Once qualified for Architects License registration:

- Renewal registration bi-annually with the following:
 - Registration fee: MOP 6,600
 - Minimum CPD Hours : 50

CROSS BORDER PRACTICES – HENGQIN CHINA

Macau registered Architects are qualified to apply for an architect's registration in Hengqin to participate in projects within the Hengqin districts.





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GUANGDONG-MACAO INTENSIVE COOPERATION ZONE IN HENGQIN ISLAND

Macau SAR and Guangdong Province will jointly govern the 106 square kilometers of land of Hengqin Island as part of a plan to deepen cross border cooperation and to facilitate the economic diversification of Macau.

The “Master Plan of the Development of the Guangdong-Macao Intensive Cooperation Zone in Hengqin”, will rule the process and is under development. The Cooperation zone will also be a new space for Macau residents to live and work and a new area for promoting development of the Greater Bay Area.

“Hengqin Intensive Cooperation Zone” is expected to build a smooth mechanism of joint discussion, construction, administration and shared benefits. The zone is hoped to fully articulate with Macau’s economy by 2029.”

“By 2035, the economic strength and technological competitiveness of the Cooperation Zone will be greatly enhanced, and the goal of promoting moderate economic diversification will be reached.”

Guangdong-Macao Intensive Cooperation Zone in Hengqin island

The Hengqin cooperation zone will mainly focus on developing four new industrial sectors:

- “Scientific and Technological Research and High-end Manufacturing Industry”,
- “Traditional Chinese medicine and Macau brand Industry,
- “Cultural Tourism, Convention and Exhibition and Commercial and Trade Industry”, and
- “Modern Financial Services Industry”.

AAM is also actively involved in discussing such Cooperation Zone and is expected to further discuss:

- Architect’s involvement in the process, and
- Professional practice in the Intense Cooperation Area of Hengqin.

Architects Registration Authority in Macau

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International Affiliations of the Institute

- WACA – World Association of Chinese Architects
<http://waca.xwork.net.cn/default.aspx?g=topics&f=169>
- ArcAsia – Architects Regional Council Asia
<https://arcasia.org/>
- CIALP – Community of Portuguese Languages Countries
<https://www.cialp.org/101500/2/index.htm>
- UIA – The international union of Architects
<https://www.uia-architectes.org/en/>

Major Programs of the Institute in the past financial year

AAM has activities annual to focus on the different groups of Architects and Students. Aim to support the career development of architects.

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UNIVERSITY
STUDENT
建築系大學

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青年建築師

PROFESSIONAL
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專業建築師

Secondary Students – AAM Go To School Program 2025 Cross schools' program where 6 secondary schools, 94 students, 40+ Architects and Architectural Professionals conduct a presentation and 2.5 hrs. workshop with the Final years student to introduce roles of Architects and process of Architectural design.





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University Students – AAM Student Summer Program – 2025 is the 2nd year to launch this program for university students to experience Macau/Hengqin in a 4 days 3 nights program, where students will be experience to the Macau and Hengqin Architecture from Heritage to Contemporary Architecture site-walks and workshops.



ARCHITECTURE UNIVERSITY STUDENT 建築系大學

澳門世界遺產與當代建築研習課程 (第二期)

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AAM Continual Professional Development Courses & Seminars

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CPD3 - Urban Evolution- A Closer Look at Zone A Public Housing Developments

Hou Kuan Chan Architect/Director of Yaeroo Architectural Design Consulting Ltd.	Chung Yuen, Johnathan Wong Architect/Director of P&T (Macau) Limited	Rui Leão Architect / Partner & Managing Director of LBA, Arquitectura e Planeamento Lda

CPD5/2025 - Arch Guochuan Feng
Modernity Lost In Architecture

Guochuan Feng Executive Chief Architect at Shenzhen Architectural Design and Research Institute Co., Ltd.

CPD7/2025 - Macao Architects' Works
Series - Architect Cheung Hau Kuen --
Architectural Dream of Macao

Hau Kuen, Mimi Cheung Architect Director of A Design Architecture Limited



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Architects – Government visits, field trips – continue engagement with the local authorities via field trip visit to new buildings, competitions to provide platform for advancement of architects.



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Competitions

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Program of the Institute

	Annual Key Events
Q1	- Go to School Program – Part I – Presentation & Workshops
Q2	- AAM Continual Professional Development Courses - AAM Field Trip
Q3	- Go to School Program – Part II – Shadow Program - AAM Continual Professional Development Courses - Annual Competitions: Macau Architecture Awards / Young Architects competitions. - AAM Macau Experience Program: university students' camp
Q4	- Architecture Exhibition - AAM Continual Professional Development Courses - Oct - Annual Event for WAD Celebration: Dinner, Exhibitions and related events. - Annual General Assembly (Each Board team : 2 years)

Young Architects Architectural Design Competition



Bi-annual young architects' competition

"Macau Community Space / Community Center / Placemaking Design Competition" (hereinafter referred to as the Competition) aimed at energizing the local architectural scene and fostering a



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platform for design and creative exchange, this Competition encourages AAM members and university students of architecture to unleash their creativities and showcase their talents. This year's competition takes the former Taipa Horse Racing Track as its site — a place that bears witness to the historical development of Macau's horse racing culture and now holds great potential as a public space in the context of urban regeneration. Participants are encouraged to approach the project from the perspectives of urban transformation and community connection, promoting innovative, sustainable, and context-sensitive design that enhances community participation and fosters a strong sense of place.

THREE awards for both the Professional Category and the Student Category

- **Best Community Innovation Award**
Recognizes bold and original designs that bring fresh ideas and inspiration to community spaces.
- **Best Site & Sense of Place Award**
Honors projects that thoughtfully respond to site context and express a strong sense of place and local identity.
- **Best Sustainable Design Award**
Celebrates proposals that integrate environmental, social, and economic sustainability into community development.

Key issues facing the Architects / Architectural Profession / Institute in Macau

OPPORTUNITIES:

- Policy & Government incentives for Greater Bay Area integration
- “One Country, Two Systems” policy
- Diversity of project typologies: government section, private section (local and intergraded resorts)
- Tourism Driven City
- Diverse culture – History and growth with Portugal
- Heritage Conversation – Macau with extensive heritage and classified properties

KEY ISSUES:

- Architecture Policy and Regulations limiting Architecture possibilities.
- Not sufficient projects and fees for architects
- Talent's retention and recruitment
- Lack of Land resources – reclamation process
- Environmental challenges



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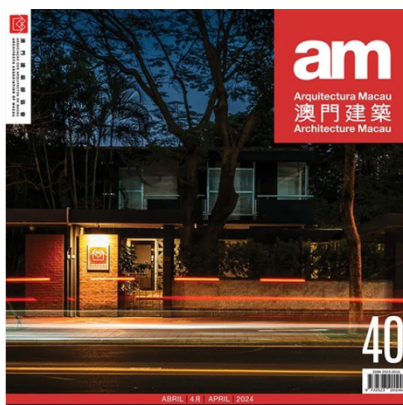
15. Resources of the Institute

Architecture Macau (AM) is the publication of AAM, Architects Association of Macau. First published in the mid-90's, it is currently the only editorial project in Macau, fully dedicated to architecture, interior design and urban planning.

The magazine is 2 issues annually and currently we are on our 42th issue



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AM magazines
on AAM website



The Institutes efforts to implement ARCASIA Resolutions adopted in the past Council Meeting

AAM's participation with the Arcasia committees has been constantly increased with new additions for delegates and observers. Involvements with the respective committees are also active, the ideas and research been done in the different committee has been bought back to the AAM board and our projects and events do try to incorporate the objectives into our different actives.

ArcAsia Delegates & Observer 2025		
Committee & Workgroup	Delegates	Observer
ACSR	Choi Wan Sun, Christine	-
ACSR – AHPG	Lui, Andre Chak Keong	-
ACSR - AEA	Leong Chong San, Ryan	-
ACGSA	Wu Kim Kam, Donna	Zheng Zhiyi
ACPP	Jimmy Wardhana	Wong Chung Wan, Bruce



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ArcAsia Delegates & Observer 2025		
ACYA	Ives Ma	Si Kun Hong, Gor Si
ACAE	Nuno Soares	-

Plans for the Future

AAM will continue our role of promoting Architecture excellence and the importance of the role of Architects with the following key focus:

- **Professional Sustainability**
 - Collective promotion of Architecture
 - Architecture Excellence – Opportunity and Execution
 - Technology Advancement & Implementation
 - Architecture Open Competition works
- **Professional Practice & Knowledge Advancement**
 - CPDs – Monthly
 - External Connectivity & Knowledge sharing – through external associations platform such as ArcAsia
 - Field Trip – Annually take members for Architectural Field Trip for learning and experience
 - Young Architects Advancements
 - Establish fee structure reference for architecture projects

Any other important issues which require ARCASIA Council to address/assist.

- **Technological Advancements:**
As technology evolves, so does architecture. ARCASIA can support its members in adopting new technologies such as Building Information Modeling (BIM), virtual reality (VR), and artificial intelligence (AI) in daily architectural practice.
- **Disaster Resilience**
In recent years, Asia has unfortunately witnessed numerous disaster scenarios. ARCASIA could concentrate on improving the resilience of buildings and communities by enhancing architectural and construction standards, implementing disaster-preparedness programs, and developing effective recovery solutions.
- **Promotion of Architect's role and value:**
Architects play a pivotal role in shaping our built environment, influencing not only the aesthetics but also the functionality, sustainability, and livability of spaces. As urbanization and development pressures increase, it is crucial that ARCASIA reinforces and promote the



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importance of the architect's role in leading sustainable and inclusive urban development. How can we promote this value to the public for knowledge awareness.

- **Sustainability and Environmental Responsibility**

With the increasing impact of climate change, there is an urgent need for sustainable architectural practices that minimize environmental footprints while maximizing resource efficiency. ARCASIA could spearhead initiatives aimed at promoting green building practices, enhancing energy efficiency, and using eco-friendly materials across member countries. This includes workshops, certifications, and sharing best practices in sustainable design.

- **Cross-Regional Collaboration**

Continue to foster stronger ties among architects across different regions can lead to a richer exchange of ideas, cultural understanding, and innovative solutions to common challenges.

-----End of Report -----

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