



WINNERS ANNOUNCED : UIA GOLD MEDAL & PRIZES



Brazilian architect **Paulo Mendes Da Rocha** has won the **2021 UIA Gold Medal** for lifetime achievement. The jury, which met virtually on **21 April 2021**, also selected the winners of the Robert Matthew Prize for Sustainable and Humane Environments to **Francis Kéré** (Burkina Faso); the Jean Tschumi Prize for Architectural Writing to **Doğan Kuban** (Turkey); the Auguste Perret Prize for Technology in Architecture to **Anupama Kundoo** (India) and to **Rudy Ricciotti** (France); the Patrick Abercrombie Prize for Urban Planning and Design to **Joan Busquets i Grau** (Spain); and the Vassilis Sgoutas Prize for Implemented Architecture Serving the Impoverished to **Nadia Tromp** (South Africa), **David Kaunitz and Ka Wai Yeung** (Australia), and **Jiansong Lu** (China). The jury also awarded **Biuro Projektów Lewicki Łatak** (Poland) and **Brinda Somaya** (India) Honourable Mentions for the Vassilis Sgoutas Prize.

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UIA2021RIO WORLD CONGRESS ▼



DIGITAL WEEK 3: CHANGES & EMERGENCIES

The **third digital week** of the **UIA2021RIO** Congress will take place from **17-20 May** with the theme of **Changes and Emergencies**. It will include discussions and a livestreamed wrap-up session featuring Brazilian and international specialists including **Esteban Benavides/AI Borde**, **Jane Hall/Assemble**, **Luiz Alberto de Oliveira**, **Ailton Krenak**, **Silvio Meira** and **Ester Carro**.

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UIA MEMBER SECTIONS ▼



ITALY: NEW PRESIDENT

Francesco Miceli is the new President of the **National Council of Architects, Planners, Landscape Architects and Conservators (CNAPPC)**. He succeeds **Giuseppe Cappochin**. Formerly President of the Order of Architects of Palermo, he focused on urban planning, architecture and urban regeneration. As Councilor for Private Construction, Public Works and Public Green in Palermo, he promoted the value of architecture and design competitions.

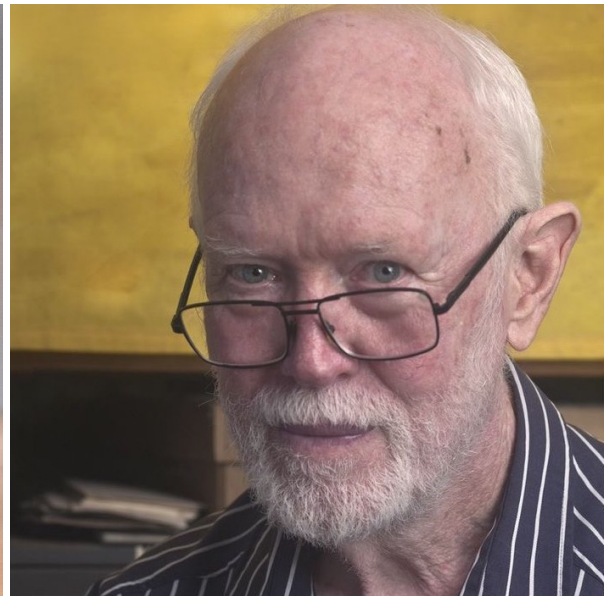
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SRI LANKA: NEW PRESIDENT

The **Sri Lanka Institute of Architects (SLIA)** has elected a new President: **Russell Dandeniya**. He completed architecture degrees at the University of Moratuwa. Founder and principal of his own firm since 2008, he is currently an international member of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) as well as an international associate of the American Institute of Architects (AIA). He succeeds **Veranjan Kurukulasuriya** in the position of SLIA President.

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UNITED KINGDOM: 2021 GOLD MEDAL

The **Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)** is organising an online awards ceremony during which they will confer the **RIBA Gold Medal** upon architect **Sir David Adjaye Adjaye**. Bestowed in recognition of a lifetime's achievement, the Royal Gold Medal is approved personally by **Her Majesty the Queen**. The ceremony will be broadcast live from Accra, Ghana and London, UK on 26 May, from 18:00 to 19:30 CEST.

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AUSTRALIA: 2021 GOLD MEDAL

The **Australian Institute of Architects** has awarded architect **Donald Watson** the Institute's highest honor, the **Gold Medal**. According to the Institute, "Donald (Don) Robert Watson, stands as a perfect antidote to much that has been exhausting and difficult in 2020. At a time when we have been wearied by narcissistic personalities, polarizing debates and questionable competence, Watson shines as a man of genuine achievement, architectural intelligence, altruism and modesty."

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GLOBAL KNOWLEDGE COLLABORATIONS TO SOLVE THE HEALTH AND CLIMATE CHALLENGE BY DESIGN








DATE: 13 MAY

VENUE: ZOOM

DURATION: 90 MINS

TIME: 08.00 HOUSTON | 10.00 RIO | 14.00 LONDON | 17.00 DUBAI | 21.00 SINGAPORE

REGISTER: bit.ly/3exwcHr

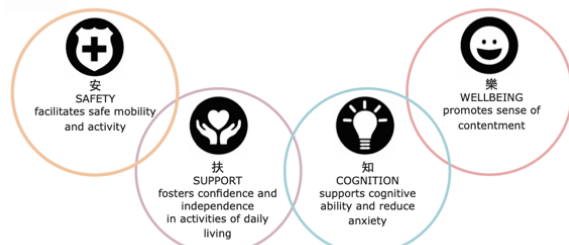
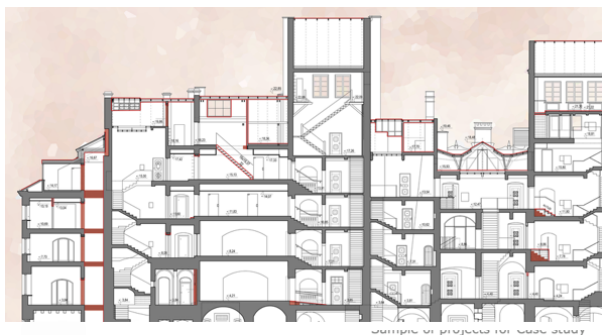
Opening remarks	Panel				Co-chairs	
						
TOM VONIER President, International Union of Architects (UIA); Former president, American Institute of Architects (AIA)	JOHN COOPER Past chair, Architects for Health; Director, John Cooper Architects, UK	JAY MADDOCK PhD, FAAHB, Professor, School of Public Health, Texas A&M University, USA	NADIA SOMEKH PhD, President of the Council of Architecture and Urbanism of Brazil; Emeritus professor, FAU University Presbiteriana Mackenzie, Brazil	GISELLE SEBAG MPH, LEED AP ND, Executive director, International Society for Urban Health, Spain	DR A. RAY PENTECOST III DrPH, FAIA, FACHA, LEED AP, Director, Center for Health Systems & Design, College of Architecture, Texas A&M University; Director, UIA-Public Health Group, USA	MARC SANSOM MBA, Founder and director, SALUS Global Knowledge Exchange, European Healthcare Design and Healthy City Design, UK

UIA PUBLIC HEALTH GROUP: WEBINAR

Le **UIA Public Health Group (PHG)** is hosting a webinar on **13 May** on **Global Knowledge Collaborations to Solve the Health & Climate Challenge By Design**. The webinar will discuss the need for global partnerships to support the creation and exchange of knowledge. UIA President **Thomas Vonier**, UIA-PHG Director **Dr. A. Ray Pentecost** and **Nadia Somekh**, President of the Council of Architecture & Urbanism of Brazil will participate.

Register [here](https://bit.ly/3exwcHr).

More information on the [UIA-PHG](https://uia-phg.org)



2020/2021 Friendly & Inclusive Prizewinners (clockwise from top left): Wits Rural Facility (South Africa), Kate Otten Architects, Modernisation, preservation and digitalisation of the historic headquarters of the Museum of Warsaw, architects Ewa Wowczak & Jerzy Wowczak, Support Ageing through Design, Architectural Services Department, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region & Bamboo Playscape, Bangladesh, Kazi Arefin.

ARCHITECTURE FOR ALL: 2020/2021 FRIENDLY & INCLUSIVE SPACES AWARDS

The 3rd edition of the **UIA Friendly and Inclusive Spaces Awards** attracted **91 entries from 35 countries** across the world. Entries were submitted in **four categories: New Buildings, Refurbished Existing including Historic Buildings, Public and Open Spaces and Research**. The international jury attributed one Medal of Excellence in each category and seven Honourable Mentions.

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2020/2021 Golden Cubes Prizewinners (clockwise from top left): "An Expanding City", Järfälla municipality (Sweden), "Interactive School", Bena-Habitat Community School (Egypt), "The Sound of My City", Frederiksberg Library (Denmark) & "Urbanity" game, KultúrAktív Egyesület (Hungary).

ARCHITECTURE & CHILDREN: 2020/2021 GOLDEN CUBES AWARDS

The **Golden Cubes Awards**, organised by the **UIA Work Programme, Architecture and Children**, recognise people and institutions which help young people, from nursery school to eighteen years of age, to understand and appreciate architecture. The international jury for the 2021 UIA Golden Cubes Awards met virtually on **26 March 2021** and **16-17 April** to evaluate **71 nationally nominated entries** and to select winners in 4 categories: **Schools, Institutions, Written Media** and **Audio-Visual Media**. The jury also selected five additional entries for Special Mention.

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UNESCO: LIVING WITH WORLD HERITAGE CONFERENCE

On the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the **UNESCO Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape**, the **UNESCO World Heritage Centre** in collaboration with the **Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)** will host a two-day conference, **Living with World Heritage: Adaptive Reuse and Regeneration for Sustainable Cities**, on **17-18 May 2021**. The seminar will focus on key issues and discuss practical ways to better integrate urban heritage management into urban development processes. **Thomas Vonier**, UIA President, will represent the UIA at the event.

Register [here](#).

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IN MEMORIAM ▼

CÔTE D'IVOIRE: ABDOULAYE DIENG

The UIA offers its condolences to the family and colleagues of **Abdoulaye Dieng, President of the Order of Architects of the Côte d'Ivoire**. Abdoulaye Dieng, who passed away at the age of sixty-eight, received degrees in architecture from the Ecole d'Architecture des Beaux-Arts de Versailles in 1979 and from the University of Illinois in the United States in 1981. He founded his own firm in 1987.

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PHILIPPINES: RENATO A. HERAY

Renato A. Heray, President of the **United Architects of the Philippines (UAP)** passed away at the age of fifty-nine. an accomplished architect with a successful private practice, deeply committed to furthering the interests of architecture and architects through his service to the UAP and his work as a professor. The UIA presents its sincere condolences to his family, friends and colleagues.

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The International Union of Architects (UIA) is an international non-governmental organisation based in Paris. Established in 1948, it is the only organisation representing architects across the globe working to unify architects, influence public policies on construction and development, and advance architecture in service to the needs of society.



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