



## **ELECTIONS 2021: 28TH UIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

By deferring the **World Congress of Architects in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil to July of 2021**, the UIA has also postponed its **General Assembly, 22-26 July 2021**. Every Member Section now has an opportunity to prepare **candidacies for UIA office** and to present **nominations for the UIA Bureau and Council** for the **2021-2023 period**.

Only UIA Member Sections may nominate candidates.

Please see the [UIA website](#) for more information.

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UIA2021RIO CONGRESS ▼



Wu Liangyong (left) ; Tsinghua University, School of Architecture Beijing (China), photo by ©YIN Chuan & SUN Yueqi (right)

### INTERVIEW WITH WU LIANGYONG, 1996 UIA JEAN TSCHUMI PRIZE LAUREATE

The UIA was honoured to be able to interview **Wu Liangyong**, Chinese architect and urban planner and past Vice-President of the International Union of Architects (UIA) from 1987 to 1990, and of the **Architectural Society of China** (ASC). Among many other achievements, he led the architectural team for the 2008 summer Olympics in Beijing and, alongside Professor **Liang Sicheng**, founded the **Tsinghua University Faculty of Architecture** in 1946. His academic career at the university spans 70 years. In 1996, Wu Liangyong was awarded the UIA Jean Tschumi Prize for his outstanding contribution to architectural education.

Council & Bureau members as well as Member Sections may nominate architects for the UIA Gold Medal & Prizes on the UIA's Prize Platform.

#### UIA WORKING BODIES ▼



## ROAD TO RIO: UIA PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE COMMISSION

The **UIA Professional Practice Commission (PPC)** is responsible for promoting the implementation of “**The UIA Accord on Recommended International Standards of Professionalism in Architectural Practice**”, a guide for professionals and governments, the **Gender Equity Policy** and it is currently working on **Architectural Practice Around the World (APAW) database**, scheduled to be made public by 2021. Other upcoming initiatives include the development of a **Model Contract for Architectural Services**.

[Find out more](#) about the UIA Professional Practice Commission

## COMPETITIONS & PRIZES ▼



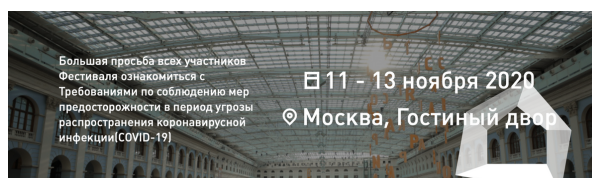
## SUBMISSIONS CLOSED FOR THE UIA INNOVATION IN ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION PRIZE

The **UIA Education Commission** has announced the **closing of the submission period** for the inaugural edition of the **UIA Innovation in Architectural Education Prize**. **Entries were received from every UIA region and from over 15 countries.**

The new Prize aims to recognize excellence in pedagogical approaches aligned with the **UN Sustainable Development Goals** & demonstrating creativity, innovation, research, investigation, collaboration, civic engagement, environmental awareness & technical competence.

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## UIA MEMBER SECTIONS ▼





### **RUSSIA: ZODCHESTVO INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE FESTIVAL**

On 11 November, the **XXVIII International Architectural Festival, Zodchestvo '20**, organised with the support of the **Russia Union of Architects**, opens in the Gostiny Dvor exhibition complex.

The theme for this year's event is **"ETERNITY"**, addressing architecture built "for the ages", and the planned lifespan of modern buildings and the "immortal" quality of the latest building materials. What "aged beautifully" in the past has learned to be "eternally young" today.

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### **USA: AIA INTERNATIONAL REGION 2020 VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**

The **AIA International Region 2020 Conference** with the theme, **Catalyzing Change**, will take place from **17-21 November**. The virtual event will consist of lectures, panel discussions, building tours and more, aiming to "imagine, debate and celebrate how architecture can be at the forefront of meaningful change..."

Speakers will include architects **B.V. Doshi, Moshe Safdie, Jeanne Gang, Jan Gehl, Sandra Barclay, Annabelle Selldorf**, and many others

[More information](#)



### **KOREA: 2020 KIA CONVENTION & CONVENTION**

The **Korean Institute of Architects (KIA)** is scheduled to open the **2020 KIA Convention & Exhibition**, officially billed as "the biggest Architects Event in Korea", this November 2020. The main theme of this year's event is **"People, Livability, Boundary"**.

Due to the unpredictable coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the event will be held as an online event on 11 November to minimize all potential risks.

For more information contact the [Korean section](#).

**COLOMBIA: XXVII BIENNIAL OF ARCHITECTURE & URBANISM**

Organised by the **Colombian Society of Architects**, the **XXVII Colombian Biennial of Architecture & Urbanism** will take place virtually from **18-28 November 2020**. The event calls architects to innovation and entrepreneurship, to increased confidence and creativity, to new forms, spaces and symbols and reaffirms the progress and evolution of national architecture.

[For more information](#)

**ISRAEL: NEW PRESIDENT**

**Dana Vishkin** is the new president of the **Israel Association of Architects and Urban Planners**. She was elected on 8 August 2020 for four years and is founder of her firm Dana Vishkin Architects.

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### HUNGARY: PRESIDENT RE-ELECTED

The General Assembly of the **Association of Hungarian Architects (AHA)**, held on 19 October 2020, elected the new AHA Board and re-elected architect **András Krizsán** as the president of the Association of Hungarian Architects for four years. AHA reaffirmed its **commitment to UIA** over the next four years, particularly regarding Region II, and the **Visegrad Architecture Association**.

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### PARTNER ORGANISATIONS ▼



### PAN AMERICAN FEDERATION OF ARCHITECTS ASSOCIATIONS (FPAA) CONGRESS

The **Pan American Federation of Architects Associations (FPAA)** is hosting a **virtual Congress** from **3-8 November**. FPAA is an institution uniting more than 32 countries and working across the Americas, developing policies for realities on the ground. Over the course of the 5 days, the members will vote virtually and elect the organisation's next president (2020 – 2024).

The event coincides with the celebration of **FPAA's Centennial**. Register [here](#)



**URBAN THINKERS CAMPUS SERIES 5 WEBINAR NOW ON YOUTUBE**

As a partner of **UN-Habitat**, initiators of the **Urban Thinkers Campus**, the UIA hosted a webinar in collaboration with **International Federation for Housing and Planning (IFHP)** on **24 October 2020**. Moderated by UIA Council Member **Kevin Bingham**, the event discussed the theme, **Healthy Environments through Architecture**, and included presentations from global experts. UIA President **Thomas Vonier** opened the event.

If you missed the event, see it [here](#) on the UIA's new [YouTube channel](#).

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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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