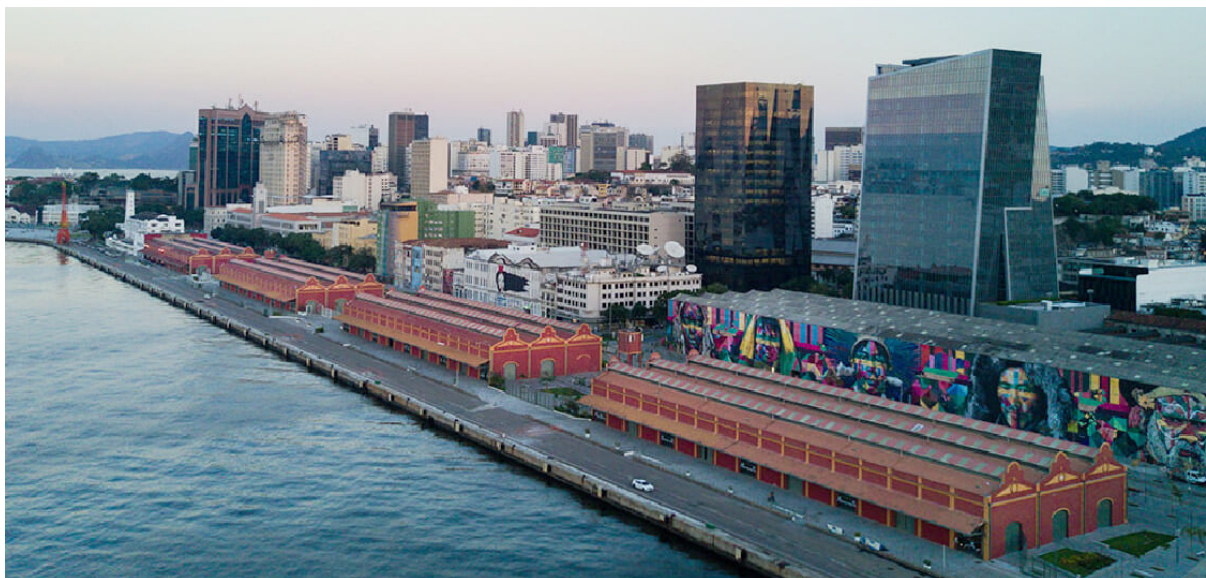




### UIA COVID-19 INFORMATION HUB LAUNCH

The UIA has now launched a COVID-19 Information Hub, compiling information, recommendations and initiatives from our Member Sections across the UIA's five world regions. The Hub will ultimately be developed into a research repository for architects on impacts, mitigation measures and future planning implications, with perspectives from the UIA's working bodies.

[Visit the Hub](#)



## UIA2021RIO: SPEAKERS CONFIRM THEIR AVAILABILITY

Following the postponement of the UIA World Congress of Architects to 18-22 July 2021, the majority of the speakers have already responded to the Executive Committee and confirmed their availability for UIA2021RIO. Speaking on the impact of the ongoing global pandemic, the UIA2021RIO Executive Committee President Sérgio Magalhães noted that the crisis highlights the interdependence in which the world finds itself. "It asks us about how we organize ourselves on the planet, how we treat the environment and the space we inhabit".

[Find out more](#)

## COMPETITIONS AND PRIZES ▼



## ABDULLATIF AL FOZAN AWARD: LIVING MOSQUE

The Abdullatif Al Fozan Award is now accepting nominations for its fourth cycle. The UIA endorsed the third, and today the fourth edition of the Award. Nominated candidatures for this cycle may come from any country in the world, but should address not only the religious, but also the social function of the mosque as an urban hub.

[Find out more](#)

## REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS ▼



## AUA: COVID-19 PLATFORM

The Africa Union of Architects (AUA) has set up a platform to address the challenges of and responses to the COVID-19 pandemic on the African continent. The objective of this initiative is to encourage sharing of information and elaboration of policies and strategies “AUA Beyond COVID19”. The UIA will collaborate with the AUA to relay relevant information to the UIA COVID-19 Information Hub.

## MEMBER SECTIONS ▼



## MEXICO: XVI NATIONAL BIENNIAL OF MEXICAN ARCHITECTURE

The Federación de Colegios de Arquitectos de la R. Mexicana-FCARM has announced that the deadline for registration of projects has been extended from 24 April to 30 June 2020 due to the ongoing global health crisis. The event will focus on a reflection on responsible and sustainable contemporary architecture.

[Find out more](#)

## ACE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Executive Board of the Architects' Council of Europe has decided to postpone the "Climate Change & Built Heritage" Conference and hold a virtual General Assembly in order to stay in close contact with its members during this extraordinary period. The General Assembly will be held on Friday 29 May 2020, from 10.00 to 13.00 (CET).



## COSTA RICA: XV INTERNATIONAL ARCHITECTURE BIENNALE

The Colegio de Arquitectos de Costa Rica has rescheduled the IX International Student Biennale of Architecture and the XV International Architecture Biennale to 5-7 October 2020 due to the ongoing global health crisis. This year's theme is "Architecture-Water-Life" and will include categories such as architectural design, urban design and landscape architecture.

[Find out more](#)



### UNITED STATES: AIA'20

The American Institute of Architects has officially cancelled the 2020 Conference on Architecture (A'20) due to the COVID-19 and will not reschedule the event. A'21 will take place in Philadelphia on 17-19 June 2021. The AIA will also host a virtual event later this year and develop additional continuing education opportunities for its members.



### UNITED KINGDOM: RIBA

Due to significant concern about the spread of coronavirus, all judging of RIBA Building Awards and Prizes has been postponed. An updated timeline for the awards programme will be published in due course. RIBA Awards for People and Projects remain as usual while nominations for the 2021 Royal Gold Medal and RIBA Honorary Fellowships are now open.

[Find out more](#)

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### MEXICO: MAURICIO RIVERO BORRELL



The UIA regrets to report the death of architect Mauricio Rivero Borrell Donath, long a contributor to the Union and a former Vice President of UIA Region III from 2005-2011. He was also the former president of the Federación de los Colegios de Arquitectos de la República Mexicana (FCARM) and the Federación de Panamericana de Arquitectos (FPAA). We extend our condolences to his family, colleagues and friends throughout the world.

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