

# LIVE WEBINAR WORLD ARCHITECTURE DAY

## Clean environment for a healthy world



**José Luis Cortés**, UIA President, is the former President of the Federation of Colleges of Architects of the Mexican Republic - FCARM (2017-2018) and has served the UIA in different capacities including Region III Vice President and Council Member. He taught urban planning at the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana Campus Xochimilc and at the University of Iberoamerica, where he headed the Department of Architecture and Urban Planning. A visiting professor in India, Japan and Sweden, he has carried out architectural and urban planning projects for many historic city centres and has authored numerous publications on housing and urban planning. He has received official honours from the governments of Spain and Japan.



**Martha Thorne** is Dean of IE School of Architecture & Design in Spain and was formerly the Executive Director of the Pritzker Architecture Prize from 2005- 2021 and curator of Architecture at The Art Institute of Chicago from 1995 to 2005. She has written numerous articles for books and journals on contemporary architecture. She served on the Board of Directors of the International Archive of Women in Architecture and the Graham Foundation for Fine Arts. An honorary fellow of the RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects) and COAM (Colegio de Arquitectos de Madrid), her interests focus on the city of the future and innovation in education.



**Margaret Chan** began her career in public health at the Hong Kong Department of Health in 1978. She was appointed Director of Health of Hong Kong in 1994 and she launched new initiatives to improve communicable disease surveillance and response, enhance training for public health professionals and establish better local and international collaboration. She effectively managed outbreaks of avian influenza and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS). In 2003, she joined the World Health Organisation (WHO), where she remained until 2017, serving as Director of the Department for Protection of the Human Environment, Director of Communicable Diseases Surveillance and Response and Representative of the Director-General for Pandemic Influenza, Assistant Director-General for Communicable Diseases and Director-General (2006-2017). She is currently the inaugural Dean of Vanke School of Public Health at Tsinghua University, China.



**Maria P. Neira** has directed the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Health at the World Health Organisation, Geneva, Switzerland since 2005. Formerly, she served as Under-Secretary of Health and President of the Spanish Food Safety Agency and as Coordinator of the Global Task Force on Cholera Control. Specialised in Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases; and Public Health, she was awarded the Médaille de l'Ordre national du Mérite by the Government of France and received an "Extraordinary Woman" award by HM Queen Letizia of Spain. In early 2019, she was nominated among the top 100 policy influencers in health and climate change.



**Tommy T. Valdez** is now on his third term as the National Council President of the Society of Filipino Foresters and currently serves as Vice President for Corporate Affairs of the San Roque Power Corporation (SRPC), the largest Hydroelectric Power Plant in the Philippines and the 3rd largest hydroelectric power plant in Asia. A registered Environmental Planner, he is a staunch advocate for sustainable forestry. He believes that sustainably managed forests improve quality of life for people and for the planet, bolstering livelihoods, providing clean air and water, conserving biodiversity, and responding to climate change.



**Richard Nii Dadey** has managed and executed a number of projects in the health sector in Ghana over the past 16 years. Elected as member of Ghana Institute of Architects (GIA) in 1981, he became a Fellow in 2005, he further served as Chief Examiner for the Professional Practice Examination Courses for the Ghana Institute of Architects and the Architects Registration Council for 10 years from 2005 to 2015. Elected GIA President in 2018 and Board Chairman of the Architects Registration Council in 2019, he notably managed the construction of the District Hospitals for Bekwai and Tarkwa, Blood Processing Centre Korle Bu Accra and the first purpose-designed 100 bed Infectious Diseases Centre in Accra, completed within a record period of 100 days in response to the Covid-19 pandemic.



**Ray Pentecost** is the Director of the Center for Health Systems & Design (CHSD) at Texas A&M University (TAMU), College of Architecture and holds the Ronald L. Skaggs and Joseph G. Sprague Chair of Health Facilities Design. Ray also holds a joint appointment in the TAMU, School of Public Health. He is a Fellow in both the American Institute of Architects and the American College of Healthcare Architects, a former Licensed Long Term Care Administrator and a LEED Accredited Professional. Ray is a Past President of the American College of Healthcare Architects, a Past President of the AIA Academy of Architecture for Health, and a Past Co-Chair of the AIA's America's Design & Health Initiative.

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