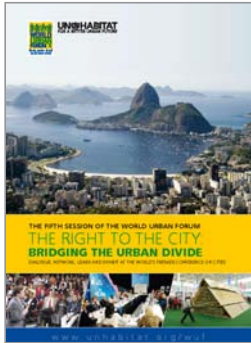




UN-HABITAT



UIA WILL CHAIR THE HABITAT PROFESSIONALS' FORUM IN RIO

The Habitat Professionals' Forum (HPF) is a partnership between non-governmental organisations and international or regional associations of **human settlement professionals to promote responsible urban development**. It will meet in Rio, Brazil, on 24 March 2010, as part of the fifth session of the UN-Habitat World Urban Forum that will last from **22 to 26 March 2010**. Louise Cox, UIA President, will chair this session dedicated to the world urban campaign Better cities: better lives. The Forum will present a charter on the role of human settlement professionals in designing a responsible and equitable future.

for more information on the HPF

<http://www.habitatforum.org/>

WORLDGBC



UIA President
Louise Cox and
WGBC President
Tony Arnell

UIA - WORLD GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL COLLABORATION

The International Union of Architects (UIA) and the World Green Building Council (WGBC) signed a mutual cooperation protocol. The two organisations agreed to **work together to improve energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in cities around the world**. The UIA and the WorldGBC promote a 'green' built environment through design, construction and architectural and urban management that participate in the creation of a responsible and carbon neutral society.

more on the World Green Building Council

<http://www.worldgbc.org/>

WAN



WORLD ARCHITECTURE NEWS - A UIA MEDIA PARTNER

The International Union of Architects (UIA) and World Architecture News (WAN), an on-line magazine dedicated to architectural news, finalised a partnership agreement defining a series of initiatives for 2010.

This agreement is an opportunity for the two organisations to develop communication among architects by publishing their realisations and **facilitating the exchange of information and know-how on an interactive world platform**.

Through this cooperation the UIA and WAN hope to contribute to promoting architectural quality and the profession to the public.

World Architecture News

<http://www.worldarchitecturenews.com/>

GREECE



Lisa Siola

UIA HELLENIC SECTION OPEN HOUSE

On 6 March 2010, in Athens, the **Technical Chamber of Greece (TEE)** invites architects to learn more about the UIA in an information session entitled: *Designing the future, Greek architects in the international professional community*. UIA Vice-President **Albert Dubler** will present the UIA's intervention at the COP15 international climate change conference, in Copenhagen. **Gianna Mitsou, Yannis Michael and Nikos Fintikakis** will present the activities and objectives of the UIA work programmes they direct. Lisa Siola, President of the UIA Hellenic Section and UIA Vice-President, will also speak along with eminent personalities from professional architects' structures in Greece and **Haralampos Haitas**, one of the 2009 Leonardo Prize winners.

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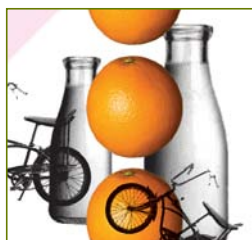


ARCHITECTURE AND CHANGE

The **Bursa chapter of the Turkish Chamber of Architects** is organising an international congress entitled *Architecture and change*, in Bursa on 26 and 27 March 2010. The debates will focus on **future and traditional architecture** in terms of education and professional practice, economical and social factors, and ecology.

<http://www.bursamimar.org.tr/>

AUSTRALIA



EXTRA/ORDINARY

The **Australian Institute of Architects** announces its next annual conference in Sydney, on 22 to 24 April 2010, on the theme : *Extra/ordinary* or **how to solve ordinary problems in extraordinary ways**. Like an antidote to the excess abstraction of globalisation, the conference will bring together those who tackle the difficulties of daily life with enthusiasm, **by inventing new working methods**, adopting collaborative approaches and initiating actions in the field. Among the architects contributing to this event are **Alejandro Aravena, Tom Bloxham, Teddy Cruz, Jeremy Edmiston, and Francis Kéré**.

<http://www.architecture.com.au/extraordinary/index.html>

LEBANON



IN MEMORIAM TO HENRI ÉDDÉ

Lebanese architect Henri Eddé passed away on 1st February 2010, at the age of 86. He served as **UIA Secretary General from 1969 to 1971**. He was also Lebanese Minister of Public Works and Education, President of the Lebanese Order of Engineers and Architects and president of the United Nations committee on habitat and planning. Both a talented architect and a man of unshakable convictions, his prestige and carisma radiated to the UIA throughout his mandate.

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ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION COMMISSION

PARIS MEETINGS

On 7 to 9 April 2010, the UIA Architectural Education commission and its thematic reflection groups will meet in Paris, along with the UNESCO-UIA Validation Council. The members of these groups will **review the updates to the UNESCO-UIA Charter** and the work of the thematic reflection groups with a view to their presentations for the 2011 UIA Assembly in Tokyo.

more information on the commission

<http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/france/Menu-4/2-Commissions-b.html>

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INTERMEDIATE CITIES URBANISATION AND DEVELOPMENT

UIA-CIMES AT THE WORLD URBAN FORUM

The UIA work programme *Intermediate cities, urbanisation and development* is associated with the **World Urban Forum in Rio** and will present a series of conferences on 24 March 2010. These conferences will discuss criteria of livability, sustainability, reality and scale. The themes will be illustrated by examples from intermediate cities in Latin America, with the participation of **Josep Llop Torné, Julian Salas, Ezquiel Uson (Spain), Maria Encarnação Sposito (Brazil), Roxana Tapia (Bolivia), Paula Cifuentes (Colombia).**

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PUBLIC HEALTH

NEW TRENDS IN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

The acts of the seminar held by the Public health work programme in Buenos Aires on the theme *New trends in healthcare facilities* are available on-line from the programme website. Close to **forty papers can be downloaded.**

<http://www.uia-public-health-group.org/>

CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

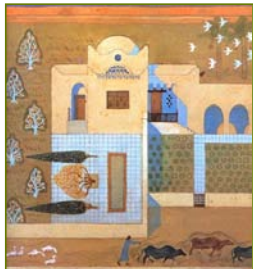
The call for contributions is open for the next seminar to be hosted by this work programme in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on **29 November to 1st December 2010.**

The theme for the 2010 conference is *Working toward reliable and affordable healthcare facilities for all.*

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UMAR

**MEDITERRANEAN CULTURAL IDENTITY**

The Society of Egyptian Architects (SEA) and its president Seif Allah Alnaga will host an international conference of the Union of Mediterranean Architects (UMAR) on 4 March 2010, in Alexandria. The conference will discuss Cultural identity in Mediterranean Basin countries, examining questions of **ancient and recent architectural heritage, vernacular architecture and the impact of modern economic planning** through presentations by eminent experts. **Elisabeth Siola and Albert Dubler**, UIA Vice-Presidents, will represent the UIA. **The Egyptian Minister of Culture Farouk Hosni** will give the opening remarks to the conference.

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DOCOMOMO

THE MODERN MOVEMENT AND METAL

In Tokyo on 14 to 16 May 2010, Docomomo Japan is organising an international seminar to look at the use of metal in Modern Movement architecture. An important part of Japanese architectural heritage from this era utilises metal, especially for its antiseismic qualities. These buildings will serve as examples during the seminar. The **deadline for registrations is 31 March 2010**.

http://www.tis-partners.co.jp/docomomojapan_tech/english/summary.html

UN-HABITAT

**RAJENDRA PACHAURI RECOGNISED BY UN-HABITAT**

Rajendra Pachauri, **Nobel Peace Prize recipient and President of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)** was recently awarded the *UN-Habitat Cities Lecture Award* that recognises research and pertinent contributions and actions in the realm of human settlements. R. Pachauri will give the conference dedicated to this prize on 27 March 2010, as part of the Rio World Urban Forum.

<http://www.unhabitat.org/content.asp?cid=7841&catid=5&typeid=6&subMenuId=0>

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