

FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

THE 14TH ASIAN CONGRESS OF ARCHITECTS (ACA-14) (OCTOBER 28-29, 2010) LAHORE

Organized by <u>IAP Lahore Chapter</u> In collaboration with <u>ARCASIA Committee on Sustainable and Green Architecture (ACSGA)</u> <u>Theme: Go Green: the Architecture of the new order</u>

We wish to inform you that the 14th Asian Congress of Architects (ACA-14) is being hosted by the Institute of Architects, Pakistan (IAP) and organized by its Lahore Chapter, in Lahore. The event will be preceded by ARCASIA Council Meetings, on October 25-26, 2010, and ARCASIA Student Jamboree will run parallel to the events on October 25-29, 2010. ACA-14 with the theme "Go Green: the Architecture of the new order" will be held on October 28-29, 2010, where technical sessions will be held and speakers from all over the world will come to honour the occasion.

Changes have occurred in architecture throughout history when there has been a change in the societal paradigm. The work of the modernists represented their grand vision of a new world embracing technology and an architecture that could be truly called international. Postmodernism broke away from the stoic utilitarianism of its predecessor and sought more expressive and familiar forms. Today Green Architecture is the order of the day. Architects all over the world have to deal with this issue whether through the government or an increasingly informed public.

The event will feature international prominent Key Speakers, Academic Sessions, and interactive discussions, to ensure that all participants will greatly benefit from this conference and its international format.

We invite participants to submit papers in all areas related to sustainable development, and particularly scholarly work focusing on bridging the gap between theory and practice. The conference welcomes papers from participants from different backgrounds, disciplines and countries. Papers may reflect on a wide spectrum of issues and explore a wide range of solutions. The conference has four research tracks as below. We invite worldwide scholars, architects, planners, policy-makers, engineers, real estate decision makers, educators, and researchers and their counterparts in the environmental design and construction fields to share heir experiences and to submit a paper in any of the topics listed under the theme tracks.

Sub Themes for technical session

Green Architecture in Asia: Successes and Challenges

Asia is a diverse continent; a mixture of cultures, climates and terrain. Asian architects have developed Green Architecture in various ways. Some have utilized the longstanding indigenous building traditions for an effective, low-cost and eco-friendly architecture. Others have adopted the use of technology and modern construction. Like the continent itself, Asian architects have produced Green Architecture as varied as the region itself.

The "Green" Ethic and Its Effects on the Architectural Profession

The call to "Go Green" is heard throughout the world. People from every field are adopting a more sustainable approach to their profession. But how does this attitude effect the built environment, professional practice and architecture as a creative discipline? Does a "Green Architecture" denote technological backwardness or a dearth of creativity?

Green Culture: Developing the Green Mindset

In many countries, there is a lack of knowledge concerning the environment. Education is crucial if the public is to see sustainable development as a design issue as essential and relevant as function, comfort or aesthetics; If a truly Green Architecture is to emerge, sustainable design must become an integral part of architectural education instead of an afterthought.

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Making "Green" Profitable: Eco-Tourism and Green Real Estate Development

One of the perennial truths that one learns from observing human beings is that an idea succeeds far more when it is profitable. If Green Development can be made lucrative and a positive, progressive force that not only conserves the environment, but raises the standard of living of a community and improves the economy, it is bound to succeed. If economic stagnation is the result, then it might be suspected that any drive to "Go Green" will fizzle out rather quickly. It is clear that mere legislation will only create resentment. Support can only come from something that benefits people.

Important Dates

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Deadline for abstracts:	Jan. 15, 2010
Full Paper submission for review:	Feb. 15, 2010
Notification of acceptance:	April 10, 2010
Deadline for final papers:	June 10, 2010

Submission and Relevant Information

Abstract submission must be in English with a length of max. 600 words. Full paper submission should be in English. You are asked to identify the research track for your paper. Abstract and full paper submissions should be sent in MS Word or PDF document format. Abstracts should be e-mailed to the committee chair Ar. Pervaiz Vandal assisted by Ar. Shaukat Nawaz Raja.

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Full paper submissions are required to be done online through the conference Website: **www.aca-14.com.** Full paper format, submission guidelines, registration, accommodation and further information are available at the ACA-14 website.

Conference Proceedings

All papers accepted for publication will be published in conference proceedings, which will be available to delegates at the time of registration.

This is a call for all architects to think creatively and share their thoughts in a technical session. We encourage everyone, in particular the young and the academics in the different schools of architecture, to contribute papers. This would not be an exercise merely to listen to an exclusive jargon, a non-communicative blurb, but also to generate a discourse in the shape of a question/ answer session. The papers presented could have the possibility of developing into a book/ readings for student and professionals.

All paper readers will be entitled to free economy class airfare from the nearest International Airport full hospitality for three nights and free registration to all ACA-14 events including meals. The speakers will be honoured guests of IAP and they will be fully acknowledged for their contributions.

Arch/Planner Kalim A. Siddiqui Convener, ACA-14, Oct. 2010, Lahore, Pakistan.