

**21st Annual Joint Dinner of the
Design and Construction Industry**
Kevin Lembo, Connecticut State Comptroller
will deliver the keynote address



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The Aqua Turf Club
556 Mulberry Road
Plantsville, CT
5:30 - 6:30 Reception
6:30 Dinner followed by keynote address

The Joint Dinner of the Design and Construction Industry is an evening of networking, collegiality and relationship building. This annual event is an extraordinary business opportunity for members of the participating professional associations.

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AIA International Practice Committee

Dear AIA Connecticut members,

One of the top issues of AIA Advocacy is global practice, and it gives me great pleasure to submit the *AIA International Practice Committee Status Report 2017*.

The International Practice Committee (IPC) strives to promote excellence in international architectural practice, to facilitate and enhance the international practices of the membership, and to foster relationships with architects abroad. As 2017 Chair of the IPC I am proud to report the committee's activities and accomplishments for 2016 and our scheduled activities for 2017.

If you have projects in international venues, or if you are considering work abroad, you will find the AIA International Practice Committee a valuable resource. The *AIA Global Practice Primer*, published in January 2017, provides a succinct and enlightening review of the essentials of international practice as told by experienced practitioners. Look for the download link in the status report.

The global arena can broaden your horizons and provide experiences not available in domestic venues. The timing is perfect for beginning your global adventures at the AIA Conference on Architecture in Orlando this April where a curated collection of international CES programs awaits you.

You can stay up with the latest developments in international practice with the IPC. Go to <https://network.aia.org/internationalcommittee/home> and join our almost three thousand members and engage in informative online discussions and blogs. The resources of the AIA International Practice Committee are available to assist you in your global practice adventures.

We hope to see you in Orlando,

Bon Voyage,

James B. Atkins, FAIA, FKIA
2017 Chairman
AIA International Practice Committee



AIA International Practice Committee

Status Report – 2017

Prepared by: James B. Atkins, FAIA, FKIA, 2017 Chair
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The International Practice Committee provides important information to industry members that is relevant to foreign markets, trade, procurement and practice issues, as well as the critical cross-cultural aspects of working in international venues.

The International Practice Committee strives to promote excellence in international architectural practice; to serve as a resource to members by disseminating information on international markets, practice and design; to develop expertise in international policy and trade issues in order to advise the AIA on international practice; to facilitate and enhance the international practices of the membership; and to foster relationships with architects worldwide.

International Practice Committee Advisory Group

The International Practice Committee is led by a group of seven architects supported by one Ex-Officio member, two liaisons from the International Region and the Strategic Council, and two AIA Staff representatives.

James B. Atkins, FAIA	Chair
Alison Laas, AIA	Vice Chair
Gregory Yager, AIA	Past Chair
Geok Ser Lee, Intl. Assoc. AIA	Member
Yael Kinsky, FAIA	Member
Loay B. Quota, AIA	Member
Sara K. Beardsley, AIA	Member
Rick Lincicome, AIA	Co-Director, International Union of Architects (UIA) Professional Practice Commission
James Wright, FAIA	President, AIA International Region
Steven Miller, FAIA	International Representative to the AIA Strategic Council
Theresa Palma	Director, AIA International Relations
Derek Washam	Manager, AIA International Relations

From the Chair

I am honored to serve as 2017 Chair of the AIA International Practice Committee. Over the years, AIA resources provided by committees and knowledge communities have provided me with the education and assistance needed to practice as an architect in the United States. When opportunities arose for work in international venues, I again turned to the AIA, and I found productive support from articles, CES seminars, white papers, and conferences to guide me and

enable my success. It is my charge as 2017 Chair to continue this rich legacy of guidance and support to those who pursue work in international venues.

If you are practicing in international venues or have an interest in work abroad, we encourage you to join the AIA International Practice Committee. For more information or if you have questions, contact Theresa Palma, Director, AIA International Relations, at www.tpalma@aia.org

James B. Atkins, FAIA, FKIA

Resources

THE AIA GLOBAL PRACTICE PRIMER



The International Practice Committee published the *AIA Global Practice Primer* in January 2017. The Primer includes a collection of information and resources designed to assist architects who are considering the pursuit of projects abroad, or who have already received commissions and are currently engaged in international work.

The initial release includes articles prepared by contributors with first-hand knowledge and expertise on international projects with future articles planned for later publication. It is available for download [here at aia.org](http://www.aia.org). The articles included are:

- The Global Profession of Architecture
- The Benefits of International Practice
- Business Development and Marketing
- Legal Issues
- Regional and Cultural Understanding
- Project Delivery

WHITE PAPERS

The International Committee is planning to provide authoritative white papers on relevant topics related to work in international venues. Look for these on the International Committee link at www.aia.org

2017 HONORARY FELLOWSHIP

Each year the International Practice Committee nominates and sponsors candidates for Honorary Fellowship. Candidates can be International AIA members or architects from around the world. Two candidates were nominated and were invested in 2016, Mr. Hyder Ali, FAIA from Khartoum, Sudan, and Mr. Yoshihiko Sano, FAIA from Osaka, Japan.

Two candidates were nominated by the International Practice Committee for 2017, and they have been elevated to the College of Fellows. Mr. Jose Luis Salinas, FAIA, of San Jose, Costa Rica, and Mr. Ishtiaque Zahir, FAIA, of The People's Republic of Bangladesh.

The AIA International Practice Committee extends its congratulations to our international friends who are our new honorary fellows for 2017.

- Mario Cucinella, Hon. FAIA Bologna, Italy
- Stein Halvorsen, Hon. FAIA Oslo, Norway
- Giancarlo Mazzanti, Hon. FAIA Bogota, Columbia
- Bong-Seok Oh, Hon. FAIA Seoul, Republic of Korea
- Jose Luis Salinas, Hon. FAIA San Jose, Costa Rica
- Javier Sordo Madaleno Bringas, Hon. FAIA Mexico City, Mexico
- Bruno Stagno, Hon. FAIA San Jose, Costa Rica
- Ishtiaque Zahir, Hon. FAIA Dhaka, Bangladesh

2017 FELLOWSHIP

Congratulations is also extended to James M. Wright, FAIA, President, AIA International Region, and C.K. Hau, FAIA, President, AIA Hong Kong, who are new Fellows in 2017.

2016 Events

XXIV PAN AMERICAN CONGRESS OF ARCHITECTS AND FPAA GENERAL ASSEMBLY – Asuncion, Paraguay, November 23-27

The oldest organization of architects' associations, the Federacion Panamericana de Asociaciones de Arquitectos (FPAA) was created in 1920, and is composed of approximately 34 national architects' associations of the Americas, divided into four geographic regions. The organization was founded to establish ties among the architects of the Americas, to enable information exchange, and to promote the profession in the hemisphere. The AIA was a founding member and is the largest member section of FPAA, and along with Canada and Mexico, constitutes the Northern Zone. AIA members have served as officers in the past, including as President and Vice President on the FPAA Executive Committee.

In November 2016, the FPAA held the 25th Pan American Congress of Architects, its largest sponsored event. It was hosted by the Asociación Paraguaya de Arquitectos (APAR) from November 23-27 at the El Teatro Municipal Ignacio A. Pane in Asuncion. The Congress is held every four years.

The AIA was represented by Thomas Vonier, FAIA, 2017 AIA President, Carl Elefante, FAIA, 2018 AIA President-elect, Miguel A. Rodriguez, FAIA, 2012-2016 FPAA Vice President, John Padilla, AIA, 2016-2020 AIA Representative to FPAA, and Mary Kell, AIA, Chief Resilience Officer for the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Habitat III – THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON HOUSING AND SUSTAINABLE URBAN DEVELOPMENT

From October 17 to 20, the United Nations convened the third United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) in Quito, Ecuador. Habitat III is an interagency effort led by the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN – Habitat), with the objectives of securing renewed political commitment for sustainable urban development, assessing accomplishments to date, addressing poverty and identifying and addressing new and emerging challenges. The conference outcome document is known as the [New Urban Agenda](#).

UN - Habitat was established in 1978 as an outcome of the First UN Conference on Human Settlements and Sustainable Urban Development (HABITAT 1) held in Vancouver, Canada in 1976. UN – Habitat maintains its headquarters at the United Nations Office at Nairobi, Kenya. It is mandated by the United Nations General Assembly to promote socially and environmentally sustainable towns and cities with the goal of providing adequate shelter for all.

A United Nations Conference on Housing and Urban Sustainable Development is held every 20 years, with Habitat 1 in Vancouver, Canada in 1976, Habitat II in Istanbul, Turkey in 1996, and Habitat III in Quito, Ecuador in 2016, to address the world's rapid urban growth. Currently, 54% of the world's 7.3 billion people live in urban areas. The number of city dwellers is expected to grow by another 2 billion by 2045.

The Conference was a success with 30,000 people in attendance, among them 10,000 people from 167 countries. Almost 1000 events took place over the span of four days, including 8 plenary sessions, 6 High-level Roundtable sessions, 4 Assemblies, 16 Stakeholders Roundtables, 10 Policy Dialogues, 22 Special Sessions, 3 Urban Talks, and Urban Journalism Academy, 59 United Nations events, 157 Exhibition booths, 42 Village projects, and over 450 side, networking, training and parallel events were organized.

As the preeminent voice for the US architecture profession, the AIA, with the support of the International Practice Committee, participated in the Habitat III conference. AIA was present in the exhibition hall with a booth shared with the Global Planners Network, organized a moderated-panel side event in the conference venue, and hosted dinners for AIA members and International Union of Architects (UIA) leaders. The AIA sponsored the attendance of six representatives: Russell Davidson, FAIA, 2016 AIA President; Jamie Blosser, AIA, who participated on behalf of the AIA in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's National Committee on Habitat III; Mary Kell, Chief Resilience Officer for the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Catherine Baker, AIA, whose project Dorchester Art + Housing Collaborative was a selected exhibition project; and Derek Washam; AIA staff.

Six projects were selected to be showcased, originally intended for the networking event, in the exhibition booth. These projects were selected from a pool of 2016 Regional and Urban Design Committee, Emerging Professionals, Committee on the Environment, Housing, and AIA/HUD

Secretary Awards recipients by Ned Cramer, Assoc. AIA, Editor-in-Chief at Architect magazine, and Daniel Friedman, FAIA, Dean of the School of Architecture at the University of Hawaii – Manoa. The projects were featured in communications, online content, and in social media posts.

To be inclusive in the preparations for Habitat III, the AIA hosted meetings, conference calls, and webinars with stakeholder groups throughout the Institute. The International Practice Committee was highly engaged in this process. Participating in numerous conference calls and webinars discussing the policies and events related to Habitat III. The International Practice Committee also served as a vital resource to recommend members to participate in the proceedings around the world.

Due to the success of the event and increasing interest of members, the AIA Board of Directors passed a resolution in December 2016 in support of the [New Urban Agenda](#) and the supporting Sustainable Development Goal (SDG), SDG 11: make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

2017 Events

AIA CONFERENCE ON ARCHITECTURE (A'17) – Orlando, Florida, April 27-29

Formerly known as the AIA National Convention, this year's Conference on Architecture will be held in Orlando, Florida on April 27-29, 2017. It will include numerous sessions supporting international practice, including a curated collection especially designed for international project venues. Topics include:

- The Global Practice Primer
- Anti-Corruption and Bribery
- International Practice for Emerging Professionals
- Mobility Oriented Development
- Migration and Displaced Persons
- Sustainable Architecture in Africa
- Architecture and Diplomacy in Cuba
- Habitat III and the New Urban Agenda
- Cultural Awareness and Adaptation

AIA International Reception

The AIA International Reception is held each year on Thursday evening during the AIA Conference on Architecture. Attendance is open to all.

The International Presidents' Forum

On Friday, the 2017 AIA President Thomas Vonier, FAIA, will host the International Presidents' Forum, a discussion with the presidents and delegates of AIA's international counterparts and US collateral organizations. Following the IPF, there will be a luncheon hosted by 2018 AIA President-elect Carl Elefante, FAIA. This networking event follows the International Presidents' Forum is open to IPF attendees who aren't delegates with advance ticket purchase.

International Region Exhibition Space

The International Region will have an exhibition space on the Architecture Expo floor at Booth 2490.

UIA WORLD CONGRESS 2017 – Seoul, Republic of Korea, September 3-10

The International Union of Architects (Union Internationale des Architectes, or UIA) is an international non-governmental organization that represents over a million architects in 124 countries. The UIA was founded in Lausanne, Switzerland in 1948. The General Secretariat is located in Paris. The UIA holds a World Congress of Architecture every three years in which the honorary office bearers, among them the council members, are elected for a three-year term. The UIA's membership consists of approximately 100 member sections representing the national architectural associations of their countries. The AIA was among the 20 founding members of the UIA in 1948 in Lausanne, Switzerland, and has been an active member ever since. AIA members have served as the UIA President, Secretary General, Regional Vice Presidents, Members of Council, and on numerous UIA Commissions and Work Groups. In 1993 the AIA hosted the UIA Congress and Assembly in Chicago. You can visit the [web site](#) for more background information on the UIA.

The American Institute of Architects, as the United States' national member section of the International Union of Architects (UIA), will be officially represented at the UIA 2017 World Congress of Architecture and General Assembly.

Held every three years (recently, in Chicago - 1993, Barcelona - 1996, Beijing – 1999, Berlin – 2002, Istanbul – 2005, Turin – 2008, Tokyo – 2011, Durban – 2014), the UIA Congress is a four-day event in many ways similar to the AIA's annual conference, featuring presentations and speakers, an array of seminars, exhibits, tours, receptions, and special events. A description of the theme of the UIA World Congress of Architecture is found on the UIA 2017 Seoul [website](#). The UIA Assembly is a three-day meeting of approximately 250 official delegates focused on transacting the UIA's official business – considering, debating, and adopting program-related resolutions, the budget, and electing officers.

AIA INTERNATIONAL REGION

The AIA International Region, formed in late 2012, is the nineteenth region of the Institute. It encompasses all areas outside of the United States. In terms of membership -- at approximately 2,400 -- the new AIA International Region is about the same size as nine other regions of the Institute. All AIA members who live outside the United States are served by the AIA International Region.

There are six offshore chapters that are part of the International Region. These chapters are:

- AIA United Kingdom
- AIA Continental Europe
- AIA Hong Kong
- AIA Japan
- AIA Middle East
- AIA Shanghai

PRAGUE 20/20

The third Annual International Conference and Chapter Meeting will be held October 5-9, 2017 in Prague, Check Republic. The event will be jointly hosted by AIA Continental Europe and the AIA International Region and will offer approved AIA CES sessions. Event space is limited, and registration will open in summer 2017. Follow developments at www.aiainternational.org

The AIA International Committee works closely with the AIA International Region, and IR members serve on the International Committee. Candidates for Hon. FAIA are often jointly nominated by the International Committee and the International Region.

JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL PRACTICE COMMITTEE

If you have an interest in international practice or if you have already received commissions for work abroad, please join us. Our webpage, <https://network.aia.org/internationalcommittee/home> on www.aia.org will guide you to resources, global practice news, discussions and latest blogs for accessing the latest news and events on the international front. While you are there, click on, Add the International Practice member group to your AIA.org profile to stay connected! and add us as one of your knowledge communities.

The whole is greater than the sum of its parts
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We look forward to hearing from you.

Jim Atkins, FAIA
2017 Chairman, AIA International Practice Committee