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Regional Architectural Awards Open Call for Entries

ARCASIA Awards for Architecture and ARCASIA Students Architectural Design Competition Commend Exemplary Asian Design

(Hong Kong, 11 March 2016) The Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA) announces its call for entries for the **ARCASIA Awards for Architecture (AAA) 2016**. The awards celebrate the very best work produced by architecture professionals in Asia, organised by the [Architects Regional Council Asia](http://www.arcasia.org) (ARCASIA), which consists of nineteen national or regional institutes of architects from the Asian region, including the HKIA.

The AAA is Asia's prestigious architecture competition established to encourage the development of the Asian built environment and acknowledge exemplary architectural work in Asia. The scope of the Awards was last broadened in 2013 with the goal of encompassing all the aspects related to outstanding architecture. Entries are now accepted in ten competition categories, including Residential Projects (sub-divided into Single and Multiple Family residences), Public Amenities (sub-divided into Commercial, Resort, Social/Institutional and Specialized Buildings), Industrial Buildings, Conservation Projects, Socially Responsible Architecture and also Sustainability Architecture.

The last AAA's Building of The Year Award, a special recognition honoured to the most outstanding Gold winner, went to The Naka Hotel in Phuket, Thailand by Duangrit Bunnag. Among contenders from Hong Kong, the CIC Zero Carbon Building by Ronald Lu & Partners scored Honorable Mention in the Sustainability category; Al Shaqab Equestrian Performance Arena in Doha, a work of Leigh & Orange Ltd, snagged the same honour in the Specialized Buildings category; while Aedas' Sandcrawler was awarded Mention in Commercial Buildings.

The AAA will be open at the same time as the **ARCASIA Students' Architectural Design Competition 2016**, under the theme of *Green Lifestyle*, to be open for entries on 21 March. Full-time students of architecture or related courses accredited by respective ARCASIA member institutes are encouraged to compete with unique ideas that addresses sustainability in the built environment in their respective countries and regions.

To find out more about how to enter the competitions, please visit arcasia.org or aca17hk.com.

Shortlisted entrants will be featured in the **17th Asian Congress of Architects (ACA17)**, to be hosted by the HKIA in Hong Kong for the first time in September, at the Hong Kong Convention and

Exhibition Centre. Winners will also be announced at a glittering awards ceremony on 29th September during the Conference. The Conference and Students' Jamboree are sponsored by CreateHK, the Government of the HKSAR.

Online registration to the Congress will be open mid-March 2016. For more details, please visit aca17hk.com.

About Architects Regional Council Asia

Architects Regional Council Asia (ARCASIA) is an organization of nineteen national/regional institutes of architects from the Asian region, extending from Pakistan in the West to Philippines in the East, China in the North to Indonesia in the South. The organization itself serves as an extension for each Member Institute's regional program and relations. Annual Meetings are held in different Member Institute countries to deliberate and to give collective directions and representation to matters that affect the architectural profession in the Asian region. For more information, please visit www.arcasia.org.

About the Hong Kong Institute of Architect

The Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA) is the professional body of architects in Hong Kong with over 4,000 individual members and over 180 registered practices as corporate members. Established in 1956, the HKIA aims to advance architectural education and practices in Hong Kong as well as to promote and facilitate the acquisition of knowledge of the various arts and sciences connected therewith. The Institute is committed to raising the standard of architectural creativity in Hong Kong, maintaining its code of professional conduct among members, providing services to the public and nurturing architectural talents by offering courses and counsel in professional practice and practical experience in architecture. To take Hong Kong to the fore in international circles, HKIA is also actively engaged in various international unions and councils. For more information, please visit www.hkia.net.

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區域性建築大獎正式接受提名

亞洲建協年度建築大獎及學生建築設計比賽表揚亞洲優秀設計

(香港, 2016年3月11日) 香港建築師學會宣佈 2016年度「亞洲建築師協會年度建築大獎」正式接受報名, 大獎旨在嘉許及演示亞洲建築的最高水準。主辦機構為亞洲建築師協會(簡稱亞洲建協或 **ARCASIA**), 由十九家亞洲國家或地區的建築師學會組成的專業組織, 香港建築師學會亦為成員之一。

「亞洲建築師協會年度建築大獎」是亞洲建築界的年度盛事, 旨在推動亞洲建築行業的發展, 表揚對亞洲建築作出貢獻的傑出設計。大獎最近在 2013 年擴大了甄選範圍, 更全面鼓勵不同範疇的優秀建築參與, 目前包括十個獎項類別, 分別為住宅(細分成單戶和多戶項目)、公共設施(細分成商業、度假、社會設施和特殊建築)、工業建築、保育項目、社會責任建築及可持續建築。

上屆大獎的最高榮譽, 全年最佳建築大獎由泰國知名建築師 **Duangrit Bunnag** 的布吉納卡酒店奪得。來自香港的代表作品中, 呂元祥建築師事務所的零碳天地及利安顧問有限公司的杜哈馬術表演場分別在可持續建築和公共設施類別獲得榮譽提名, 由凱達環球設計, 位於新加坡的辦公大樓 **Sandcrawler** 則在商業建築類別獲得嘉許。

同為亞洲建協主辦的「亞洲建築師協會學生建築設計比賽」亦將於 2016 年 3 月 21 日公開接受報名, 今屆比賽命題為「綠色生活」(Green Lifestyle)。修讀由該國家或地區的亞洲建協成員認可的建築或相關課程的全日制學生可透過其該國家或地區的亞洲建協成員學會參加比賽。參賽者可透過所屬的亞洲建協成員學會提交申請。

如欲瞭解該兩項大獎的詳情, 請參閱 arcasia.org 或 aca17hk.com。

獎項將於今年九月舉行的**第 17 屆亞洲建築師協會大會 (The 17th Asian Congress of Architects, ACA17)** 公佈和頒發。ACA17 是由亞洲建協策劃、兩年一度的區域性大型會議, 今年首次由香港建築師學會主辦並在香港會議展覽中心舉行。今屆大會的論壇及亞洲建協建築院校學生聯誼會 (Students' Jamboree) 由香港特別行政區政府創意香港贊助舉行。

ACA17 將於三月中接受網上報名, 如欲了解更多詳情, 請參閱 aca17hk.com。

*中文版本僅供參考, 概以英文文本為準。

有關亞洲建築師協會

亞洲建築師協會，簡稱亞洲建協或 ARCASIA，是由十九家亞洲國家或地區的建築師學會組成的建築師組織，成員由亞洲西部的巴基斯坦一直伸延至東部的菲律賓，北部的中國以至南部的印尼。協會擔當拓展地區間及國際間成員協會關係的角色，舉辦年度大會為會員提供交流平台，共同提倡及促進亞洲建築行業的發展。如欲瞭解更多詳情，請瀏覽 www.arcasia.org。

有關香港建築師學會

香港建築師學會是香港建築師的專業團體，擁有超過 4000 多名個人會員和超過 180 個公司會員。成立於 1956 年，學會旨在推動香港的建築教育和建築師行業的發展，以及促進和推動各種相關的藝術和科學知識結集。學會致力提高香港建築創作的標準，維護其成員之間的專業操守，為市民提供服務，並於培育建築人才方面提供專業課程、意見和實習經驗。香港建築師學會還積極參與各種國際專業組織和議會，讓香港建築師有機會在國際層面脫穎而出。如欲瞭解更多詳情，請瀏覽 www.hkia.net。

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