



香港建築師學會
The Hong Kong Institute of Architects

The Annual General Meeting
Honorary Secretary Report
12 December 2007

Board of Practices (BP)

1	Corporate Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Since the announcement of the new membership at the beginning of 2007, and after various consultations and finally adopting the related Rules in Special General Meeting, the Institute now has more than 130 Corporate Members and more than 10 architectural practices (sole proprietors/partnership) agreed to join the activities of Corporate Membership.● With more applications coming in and some applications at the processing stage, the prospective number of Corporate Members at the beginning of 2008 shall be above 150.● The Board of Practices 2008 shall be formed by representatives from these Corporate Members firms.● New Committees shall be formed to better serve our member practices
2	Corporate Sponsors Scheme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Corporate Sponsors scheme was introduced in September.● We now have 13 Corporate Sponsors which are from different sectors of the building industry.
3	IT Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Committee is working on the Corporate Membership website, which will help to promote the works and services of the Corporate Members.● Virtual exhibition of projects by Corporate Members is being considered.
4	Contract and Dispute Resolution Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The CPD workshop: Architect as Expert Witness was held with success. Over 50 members attended the 5-lecture series workshop.● An information list of these participants will be kept at the secretariat for future reference.
5	Small Practices Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The publication SPARK shall be officially launched in the evening of 12 December 2007 during the Corporate Members Christmas gathering.
6	Consultants Procurement Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Committee has been working on the liaison with different governmental departments on procurement issues.● A communication meeting among ArchSD, Development Bureau, AAP, and HKIA shall be held on 6 December 2007.



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Board of Local Affairs (BLA)

1	Nominations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Mr Donald Choi was nominated to Construction Industry Council for representation in Construction Industry Training Board of CIC.● Mr Lam Wo Hei was nominated to Development Bureau for representation in Construction Industry Council.● Prof Hon Patrick Lau was nominated to Tourism Commission for serving as independent advisor to Tender Assessment Panel for development of new cruise terminal at Kai Tak in his personal capacity.
2	Presentation in Legislative Council	The Institute presented views on the recommendations for West Kowloon Cultural District development to the LegCo Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development at its meeting held on 23 October 2007.
3	Response to Local Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Institute issued the following letters to deliver views on the following subjects :<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ to Urban Renewal Authority on conserving the street hawker bazaar at Peel Street / Graham Street on 5 September 2007;➢ to Antiquities Advisory Board to request for reassessment of heritage grading for Wanchai Market on 24 September 2007;➢ to Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau on the public consultation on the Green Paper on Constitutional Development on 9 October 2007;➢ to Tourism Commission on the revised parameters of the new cruise terminal development at Kai Tai on 10 October 2007; and➢ to the LegCo Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development on the recommendations for WKCD development on 22 October 2007.● The Institute also delivered views on the following subjects in consultation forums and briefing sessions :<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ to the LegCo Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development on the recommendations for WKCD development on 22 October 2007.➢ Preliminary architectural design and thematic conceptual framework for Hong Kong Planning and Infrastructure Exhibition Gallery on 11 October 2007;➢ recommendations for WKCD development on 17 October 2007;➢ focus group meeting on heritage conservation on 23 October 2007;➢ proposed improvement works for Tai O facelift on 25



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		<p>October 2007;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ proposed development of a piazza at Tsim Sha Tsui on 8 November 2007; and➤ on Central Kowloon Route on 11 November 2007.
4	West Kowloon Cultural District Taskforce	<p>In response to public consultation on the recommendations for WKCD development launched in September 2007 and in view of the scale of this development project of Hong Kong, the Institute set up the West Kowloon Cultural District Taskforce in October 2007 to follow up on various matters concerning WKCD development, with Mr LUI Chun Wan Alex to be the Convenor of the Taskforce.</p>
5	Sharing Session with Secretary for Development	<p>The Institute invited the Secretary for Development, Mrs Carrie Lam, JP, to have a sharing session with HKIA members on 30 October 2007. The Secretary for Development presented the scope of work of Development Bureau and the initiatives of the Bureau in the 2007-08 Policy Address and Policy Agenda. HKIA members also shared their views and concerns on aspects including heritage conservation, development of West Kowloon Cultural District Development, Tai O, enhancement of the harbourfront, mode of public engagement for major development projects.</p>
6	Sustainable Building Regional Conference 2007 Hong Kong	<p>The Sustainable Building Regional Conference 2007 Hong Kong organized by Hong Kong Professional Green Building Council was successfully held between 3 and 5 December 2007. HKIA, being one of the founding members of PGBC, participated in the organization of the Conference.</p>
7	Sustainable Architecture Student Project Award 2007	<p>The Institute had successfully held the first HKIA Sustainable Architecture Student Project Award 2007 for honouring outstanding student design studio projects. The Award was launched in September 2007 and a shortlisting exercise was conducted in November 2007. 6 students were selected to enter into the second stage of the Award to deliver presentations and to receive enquiries in an open judging session held in Sustainable Building Regional Conference 2007 Hong Kong on 3 December 2007. Prize presentation ceremony for the winners of the undergraduate category and graduate category were held in SB07 Hong Kong Conference.</p>
8	Ideas Competition for Mei Ho House of Shek Kip Mei Estate	<p>The prize presentation ceremony and launch of the exhibition for Ideas Competition for Mei Ho House of Shek Kip Mei Estate was scheduled for 17 December 2007. An exhibition would be held at Hong Kong City Hall between 17 and 21 December 2007 and at Hong Kong Cultural Centre between 7 and 13 January 2008.</p>



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Board of Educational Affairs (BEa)

1	Mandatory CPD 2006 members achievement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● There were in total 2283 (91% of total membership) fulfilled the CPD requirement.● 2064 members (82% of total membership) completed more than 25 hours which is the minimum CPD requirement.
2	CPD Event Highlights	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● HKIA CPD Seminar Series : Architect as Expert Witness organized by Contract & Dispute Resolution Committee on 4 Oct, 18 Oct, 1 Nov, 15 Nov and 30 Nov 2007 were well-received by members.● HKIA CPD Seminar on Mexican Architectures presented by Mr. Francisco Serrano was well-received by members.
3	HKIA/ARB Professional Assessment 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Modification of schedule of Design Paper 7 -- Paper 7a – 18 December 2007 (4:00pm – 6:00pm) Paper 7b – 19 December 2007 (9:00am – 5:00pm)● Timetable of written papers 10 Dec 2007 (Mon) 9:00 – 12:00 Paper 1 11 Dec 2007 (Tue) 9:00 – 1:00 Paper 2 12 Dec 2007 (Wed) 9:00 – 10:30 Paper 3 12 Dec 2007 (Wed) 11:15 – 12:45 Paper 4 12 Dec 2007 (Wed) 2:30 – 4:00 Paper 5 18 Dec 2007 (Tue) 9:00 – 1:00 Paper 6 18 Dec 2007 (Tue) 4:00 – 6:00 Paper 7a 19 Dec 2007 (Wed) 9:00 – 5:00 Paper 7b 1 Mar 2007 (Sat) Release of results (written papers)
4	2 nd Professional Interview	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● HKIA/ARB Professional Assessment 2006 - Second Professional Interview was held on 20 September 2007 at Baptist Church and 19 out of 25 candidates passed the interview.
5	Affiliate HKIA Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● As at the close of application, 21 applications were received. Applicants are required to submit their technical reports by 5 December 2007 (Wed).● Workshop and written assessment will be held on 19 January 2008 (Sat) while interview will be held on 26 January 2008 (Sat).
6	HKIA 50 th Anniversary – Workshop of Research on “Qualities of Future Architects”	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Workshop by Leslie Lu and Christopher Law was conducted on 13 October 2007 (Saturday) to present initial research findings. The workshop was attended by 21 representatives from HKU, CUHK, CityU, IVE, HKU Space and allied professional institutes as well as HKIA members.
7	Revalidation of local schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Bachelor of Arts in Architectural Studies and Master of Architecture programmes of the Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong, were re-validated for 5 years from 23 November 2007.



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Board of Mainland Affairs (BMA)

1	Mutual Recognition Exercised 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The PRC Class 1 Registered Architect Qualification Certificate Presentation Ceremony was held during Annual Dinner on 24 November 2007.● Mr. XIU Lu, Director of the Practice Qualification Registration Centre of MOC, presented certificates to HKIA Members who passed the exercise in 2007.
2	President and Secretary General of ASC visited HK's public housing projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● On 25 November, Mr. SONG Chunhua, President of ASC, and Mr. ZHOU Chang, Secretary General of ASC, visited 2 HK's public housing projects, namely the Kwai Chung Estate Redevelopment project and Shek Kip Mei Estate.
3	2007 Mainland and Hong Kong Construction Industry Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Development Bureau and Ministry of Construction Annual Conference was held during 7-9 November 2007 in Changsha City, Hunan Province.● As a guest speaker of the forum, President made a presentation entitled "Hong Kong's Urban Form: Past, Present & Future"
4	HKIA CPD Site Visit in Shanghai	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● A half-day CPD site visit was held on 8 December in Shanghai. Projects visited are The Knowledge & Innovation Centre (KIC), and 1933 Slaughterhouse.● The visit is the first of its kind organized by the Liaison Committee of the Board of Mainland Affairs for HKIA Members working, living or visiting Shanghai.

Board of External Affairs (BExA)

1	Overseas Excursion Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Committee would send out Expressions of Interests to members in Jan 08 for their preferred places for excursion tours in 2008.● The production of the record of the Finland and Russia Excursion Tour is underway.
2	UIA & UIA Region IV "Architecture for All" Work Programme (WP) Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● With only one company to sponsor the UIA WP website, the committee will review the need for future sponsorship invitations. In any event, the future sponsorship rate should be set at a level that covers the secretariat administration fees.● Mr. Derek Kwan has been appointed as the new Chairman of the committee, with effect from January 2008.



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		<p>Ms. Rosman Wai remains as the Deputy Chairlady.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● The four categories of UIA Prizes would be publicized on the HKIA website to invite nominations from members. Any nomination for the UIA Gold Medal would be recommended to the Council by the UIA Committee.● HKIA hosted a dinner at the Dynasty Club on 1 Dec with the UIA President, ExCo Member Mr. Victor Lo, and Dr. Ronald Lu, Mr. Bernard Lim and Mr. Joseph Kwan of HKIA.
3	CAA/ARCASIA Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Mr. Stephen Ho from the Housing Authority was appointed as the Chairman of CAA/ ARCASIA Committee. New members to join the committee for 2008 will be sought..● Out of four short listed projects, the following two projects were recommended for Honorary Mention/Jury Special Award in the ARCASIA Award for Architectural Excellence for Asia 2007-2008:<ul style="list-style-type: none">➢ Honorary Mention - New Headquarters for the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (Mr. C.H. Yue, JP/ ArchSD)➢ Jury Special Award - A Bridge too Far, A Dream Comes True (Prof. Edward Ng/ CUHK) <p>The Award presentation ceremony will be held in the 13th Asian Congress of Architects (ACA) during 27 October to 1 November 2008 in Busan, Korea.</p>

Board of Internal Affairs (BIA)

1	Annual Dinner Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● HKIA Annual Dinner was successfully finished on Saturday, 24 Nov 2007 at the Lawn, Hong Kong Country Club.
2	Young Architects Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 22 young members have registered for Young Architect's Award 2007. Submission deadline was 03 December 2007.● Joint young professional study tour to Zhongshan was finished on Nov 10-11, 2007.



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3	Annual Awards Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Annual Awards 2007 has been launched in November and the submission deadline would be on 05 January 2008● Mr. TANG Ying Yen, Henry, GBS, JP, Chief Secretary for Administration of HKSAR has confirmed to accept our invitation to be a Guest of Honor for the Award Presentation & Exhibition Opening Ceremony on 25 April 2008.
4.	Student & Graduate Members Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● HKIA Sharing session with Architecture Freshmen at the University of Hong Kong & the Chinese University of Hong Kong in October 2007.
5.	100-Year of Architecture in Hong Kong Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The last photo trip to Hollywood was successfully completed on 13 October 2007 (Saturday).● Photo exhibition will be held at Mido Café in Yau Ma Tei in 2008.
6.	Media Resources & Publication Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● To better address environmental concerns, starting from 2008, only a small number of printed copies of HKIA publications will be available for members' collection at HKIA Premises while stock last.
7.	House Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Renovation work will be started from February-April, 2008 at HKIA Premises.

Special Project – Hong Kong/Shenzhen Biennale of Urbanism and Architecture

1	HK Exhibition's Press Launch at the Central Police Station, 19 Nov 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Hong Kong Exhibition's Press Launching was held in the afternoon of 19 Nov 2007 at the Old Central Police Station. The Hong Kong Steering Committee and the Curatorial Team Members, representatives of HKIA, HKIP, HKDA and sponsors, together with about 20 friends of media attended the Press Launch. <p>For the photos and press release, please click: http://www.hkia.net/news_content.php?id=5312&news_type=230</p>
2	HK Exhibition's Opening Ceremony, 9 Jan 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Hong Kong Exhibition's Opening Ceremony will be scheduled for 9 January 2008 at the Old Central Police Station. The HKSAR Chief Executive Donald TSANG, Shenzhen Deputy Mayor YAN Xiaopei and HKJC Chairman John CHAN confirmed to be the Officiating Guests. Tentative programme rundown was sent to the Chief Executive's office for information and arrangement.



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3	Shenzhen Exhibition's Opening Ceremony, 8 Dec 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● A coach was arranged for the Hong Kong delegates composed of the Hong Kong Steering Committee and the Curatorial Team Members, representatives of HKIA, HKIP, HKDA and sponsors, as well as local press and media who were joining the Shenzhen Exhibition's Opening Ceremony in the afternoon of 8 Dec 2007. <p>Website of Shenzhen's Exhibition: http://szbiennale.mindward.net/</p>
4	Hong Kong's Echo Event, 21 Dec 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● To echo the launching of Shenzhen's Exhibition on 8 Dec 2007, there will be an echo event in the evening of 21 Dec 2007. <p>Details of the programme will be announced nearer the event.</p>
5	Media Relations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Steering Committee has appointed Octagon as the PR Consultant to work with the Curator for the media plan so as to enhance the exposure of biennale.
6	Confirmed Exhibitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Number of confirmed local exhibitors: 40● Number of confirmed overseas exhibitors: 25
7	Website of Hong Kong's Exhibition	http://www.hkszbiennale.asia (to be launched on 12 Dec 2007)
8	Enquiry	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Sam Yu of HKIA Secretariat: 2805 7286● Bobo Lee of Curatorial Office: 2975 8986● Emily Wong of PR Octagon: 2534 5005● Please email to hk-sz.biennale@hkia.net

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