REPORT ON THE UIA JOINT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE (JOC)
for CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)

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Background

The JOC was established in 2006 to advise UIA Council on CPD and to oversee the activities of the General Program Operator (GPO) for the UIA CPD Program. The Program is comprised of a web site (www.uiacpdprogram.org) enabling a database of CPD Material and CPD Systems meeting the quality standards of the UIA. Currently, two member sections have registered CPD Systems offering CPD Material: the Cosejo Superior de los Colegios de Arquitectos de Espana (CSCAE) and the Australian Institute of Architects.

GPO Activity

According to the GOP there are several factors preventing the program from evolving as planned:

- The program has not reached a critical mass of participation
- Demand is limited in most countries where CPD is not mandatory
- Marketing potential by UIA Member Sections is limited where these have insufficient capacity to communicate with their architects or where CPD is not mandatory, unorganized, or economically difficult

The GPO has however encouraged various complementary regional actions including:

- Creation of a European CPD network funded by the European Commission
- Preparation of an African CPD network within the scope of the UMAR
- Gathering of CPD systems and material in Spanish in a Spanish-American platform

Financial Considerations

The GPO is a company, registered in Spain. Originally all shares in the company were held by the CSCAE but to encourage broader participation and raise capital, additional shares were offered to each Member Section for € 250 each in 2008. A limited number of Member Sections have acquired shares including:

- American Institute of Architects (AIA)
- Australian Institute of Architects (AIA
- South African Institute of Architects (SAIA)

The fee structure for participation in the UIA CPD Program is:

CPD Material	€ 500 per unit per year	
CPD Systems	7%	of the fee paid to the UIA by Member Sections who are shareholders
	10%	of the fee to be paid to the UIA by Member sections who are not shareholders of the CPD Company

Fees, for CPD Systems where the organization is not a Member Section (for example a School of Architecture), have not yet been determined.

Despite the sale of shares and the establishment of a fee structure for participation in the UIA CPD Program, the GPO anticipates no profit in the 2009 fiscal year.

JOC Activity

At its last meeting in Marrakech on December 10, 2008 the JOC advanced two important provisions within the CPD Program. These were later approved by UIA Council in Costa Rica and require that any CPD System applying to the UIA CPD Program must:

- Agree to recognize CPD Material registered through the UIA CPD Program (Mutual Accord provision)
- Assign a credit rating to each of its own offerings of CPD Material equated to an international standard based on one international credit being equivalent to one hour of learning (International Credit provision).

Future meetings of the JOC are anticipated to be coincident with other UIA meetings where a number of members may be present. It is also hoped that communication and voting will be facilitated through a secure JOC member's section on the UIA website.

At its meeting in Brazil in July 2009 UIA Council passed two resolutions:

- All shareholders in the CPD Company may participate in JOC meetings and discussions as "observers"
- A Review Committee was established to assess and make recommendation to the JOC on new applications from CPD Systems. The committee is comprised of the UIA President, a representative of the GPO and a representative from each of the CPD Systems registered with the CPD Program.

One matter pending consideration by the JOC is whether or not a Member Section should be responsible for all CPD Material or CPD Systems originating from the country of the Member Section.

JOC Membership

Current members of the JOC are**:**

UIA President	Louise Cox
General Programme Operator	Carlos Hernandez, President CSCAE Fabian Listerri, Program Coordinator
UIA Secretary General	Jordi Farrando (Spain)
UIA Treasurer	Chong Chia Goh (Singapore))
Region 1	Jean-Paul Scalabre (France) or Gianfranco Pizzolato (Italy) or
Region II	Süleyman Mazlum (Turkey)
Region III	Gerardo Garcia del Valle (Mexico) or Mauricio Rivero Borrell (Mexico)
Region IV	Shinjiro Wachi (Japan) or Ashvinkumar Kantilal (Singapore)
Region V	Patricia Emmet (South Africa) or Firdaous Oussidhoum (Morocco)
Professional Practice Commission	Bonnie Maples (Canada)
Education Commission	Patricia Mora Morales (Costa Rica) or Nubuaki Furuya (Japan)

Respectfully submitted,
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