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UPDATE OF ACTIVITIES AND ACTIONS SINCE THE 122ND COUNCIL MEETING IN BEIJING (CHINA PR)

SUMMARY

The second PPC work session of 2013 was held in Beirut Lebanon on the 12th and 13th of December 2013. We were graciously hosted by the Lebanese Order of Engineers and Architects (OEA). The meeting was held in concert with the UIA Bureau meetings held earlier in the week. We are most grateful to the OEA for the hospitality provided our commission members. 20 members attended and President Dubler and Secretary General Barmaki attended both days.

We reviewed the 2011-2014 Work Agenda of 12 specific items, received excellent new information on Building Information Modelling and reviewed an example of the Korea Institute of Registered Architects implementation of the Accord guidelines on architectural registration and education. We identified four new guideline/practice notes work programs that we will address in the 2015-2017 triennium.

We further planned and assigned the efforts to prepare the PPC offerings for the Congress and General Assembly in Durban South Africa.

WORK PROGRAMS REQUIRING APPROVAL BY COUNCIL AND ASSEMBLY

Amended Guideline- Building Project Delivery Systems-A PPC Drafting Panel has submitted a 2014 amended and expanded document addressing multiple forms of Alternative Delivery Systems and the role the Architect may play in each within today's global design and construction environment. Ross Clark, Australia chaired this effort. This requires approval of the 123rd Council.

Amended Professional Practice Information Note-5- Compilation of Practice Handbooks-A PPC Drafting Panel led by Eugene Barnard, South Africa has completed and expanded a very complete model of a generic practice handbook for use by architects large and small. It is being drafted in multiple languages. Requires Approval of the 123rd Council.

Amended Professional Practice Information Note-6-Development of Architects Compensation-The amended and expanded document was approved by the 122nd Council. Sven Silcher of Germany chaired this group.

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ONGOING WORK PROGRAMS of the PPC

Quality of Architecture - This work program will be presented at the Durban Congress by Vlad Gaivoronschi and Albert Dubler in the form of a seminar. The work will result in an update to the guideline that defines the Practice of Architecture within the Accord. This work will continue.

Outsourcing of Architectural Services-A PPC Drafting Panel led by Balbir Varma was tasked to review and perhaps update the “Ethics and Conduct” Guideline and/or the “Scope of Practice” Guideline. The goal is to provide guidance on the misuse and perhaps the proper approach to outsourcing of architecture services in today's global practice environment. This will continue into the next triennium.

Building Information Modelling (BIM)-Raul Martin of Brazil presented a summary of BIM history and current applications in support of Shinjiro Wachi's work on BIM's impact to the architect's pivotal role in the construction industry. This document has been placed on the website as resource to the practice Accord. This will be a continuing group to continue adding Practice Notes for Member use on technology.

Professional Integrity and Plagiarism-The PPC is planning to update the Accord Guideline on “Intellectual Property and Copyright” that was originated in 2001 and has never been formally adopted. This is an important drafting panel for the future. Sven Silcher, Germany has researched and launched the drafting panels efforts for the future.

Use of Unpaid Interns-Rick Lincicome, USA, presented a history and examples of guidelines for not accepting the practice of unpaid interns within the American Institute of Architects. This approach and its application to the UIA guideline on “Ethics and Conduct” will become an on going effort of the PPC.

Implementation Task Group –Esa Mohamed, Malaysia

- **Practice In a Host Nation**-Rick Lincicome, USA reviewed the current state of the guideline that was last amended by council in 2010 and further encouraged its inclusion in all member sections code of ethics.
- **UIA Member Section Database**-Stephen Nutt, USA has worked with the Secretary General to edit the questionnaire to simplify the population of the database. The work was accepted and will be implemented to the degree technologically possible immediately. We are tracking member section participation and request VP assistance in facilitating complete participation.
- **Case Studies of Government and Regulatory issues related to the Accord**-Ishtiaque Zahir, Bangladesh has assembled and now posted examples of Accord implementation on the website for member section use.
- **Mutual Recognition Agreements**- Rick Lincicome, USA and the Korea Institute of Registered Architects are collaborating on updating the list of MRA's from all member sections. These will be posted on the website in 2014.

New Issues to be considered for PPC guideline or Practice Notes updates in the next Triennium.

- Addressing Free Services by Architects in the “Code of Conduct” guideline.
- Update to the 2009 Professional Practice Note 4 on “Dispute Resolution”
- Update to the 2004 Professional Practice Note 1 on “Computer Practice”



- Gender Equity in Architecture and its potential Accord impacts to the “Code of Conduct” guideline.

2014 DURBAN CONGRESS and GENERAL ASSEMBLY. The PPC will have two offerings in the Congress and one activity in the General Assembly.

- **15 Square Meter booth on the exhibit floor to promote the Accord to the participants.** Ali Hayder and Ashvinkumar Kantilal will lead this effort. Our vision is quite robust and sponsorship to fund the technology will be necessary. We are seeking suggestions for funding.
- **PPC Workshop/Seminar.** We have requested a 2-hour seminar timeframe to present the elements of the UIA Accord, UIA available practice resources, the UIA member section database and promote the PPC as relevant to practices globally. We anticipate a seminar participation of 40 to 60 people. Lionel Carli and Rick Lincicome will lead this effort.
- **Report to the General Assembly-** a brief (10 Minute) Report to the Assembly on the work of the PPC will be made by the Co-Chairs. This will summarize our work and seek approval of the proposed amendments to the Accord.

Germany withdrawal from the UIA in 2014- we have all valued the significant and continuous participation by members of the German member section over the years. We thank them all and recognized their contribution. We hope they will return soon to the UIA and the Professional Practice Commission.

End of Report
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