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INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION
OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS (IFLA-APR) PRESIDENTS REPORT

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The purpose of the report is to summarize to IFLA APR Executive Committee as part of the 2024 Singapore AGM Meeting on the progress of IFLA-APR Since the last 2023 Japan Regional Council Meeting.

This is compliant with IFLA APR objectives of the IFLA APR are to function as a Region of IFLA.

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1 IFLA-APR Overview

Below is an image of the IFLA APR Member Associations:



Further down is a summary of our category of memberships and numbers for past 3 years.

Fee	Membership Types	2024	2023	2022
Free	Young LA Alliance Member (Below 35 y/o)	338	339	339
Free, Only LA	Accredited Landscape Architect IFLA-APR Community Member	226	157	157
Free, Public	IFLA-APR Community (Free)	62	NA	NA
Free	Country Member	35	14	NA
Free	Educational Institute	25	NA	NA
Free	IFLA APR ExCo and Chairs	5	NA	NA
USD 500	Corporate Membership	116	114	114
USD 249	Corporate Membership for Low Income Countries	2	NA	NA
	Grand Total	809	624	610

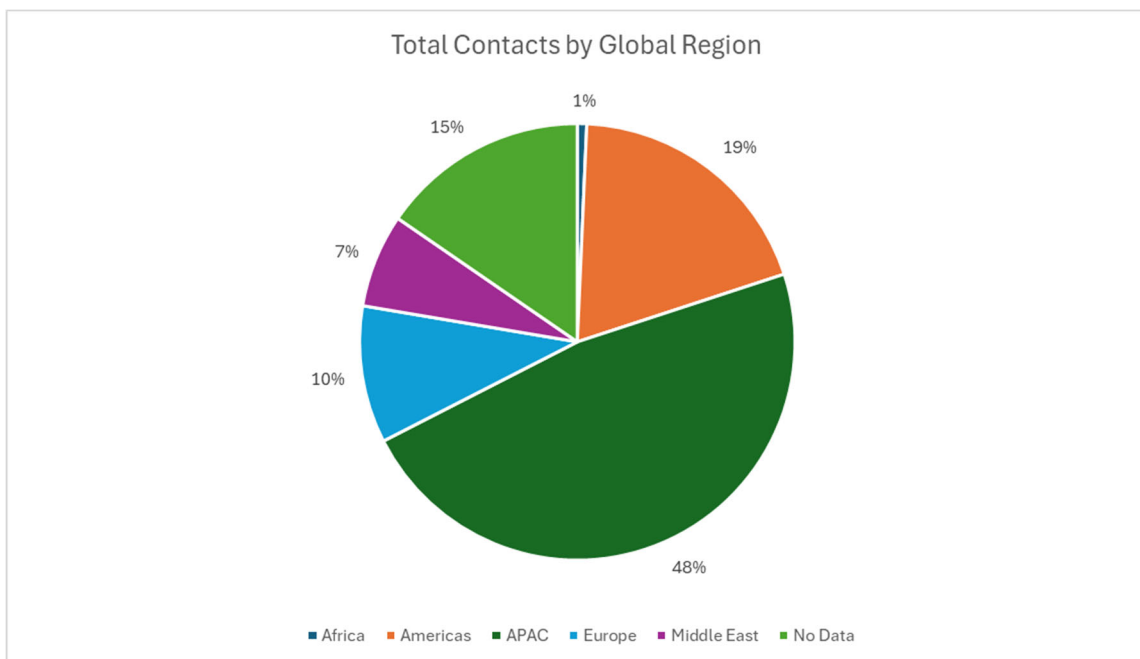


Glue Up Database / Contacts

Total: 14376

Region Breakdown:

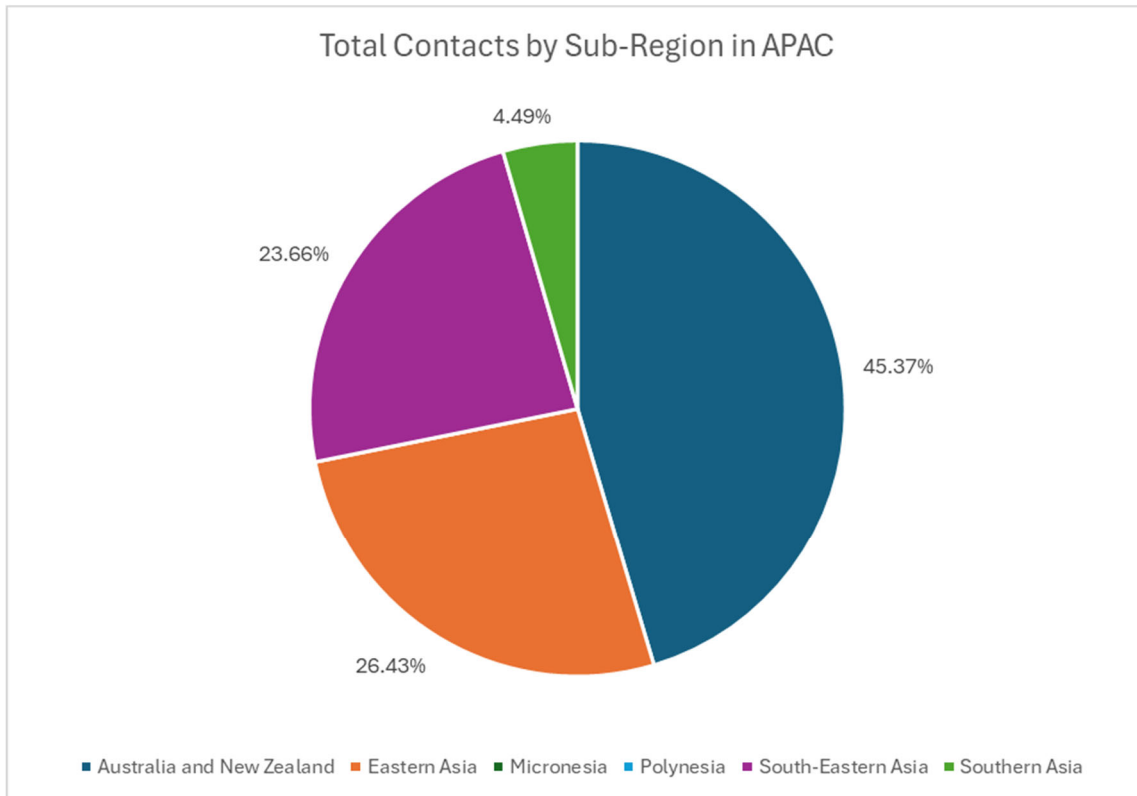
Africa: 100
Americas: 2772
APAC: 6830
Europe: 1461
Middle East: 995
No Data: 2218



APAC Breakdown = 6830

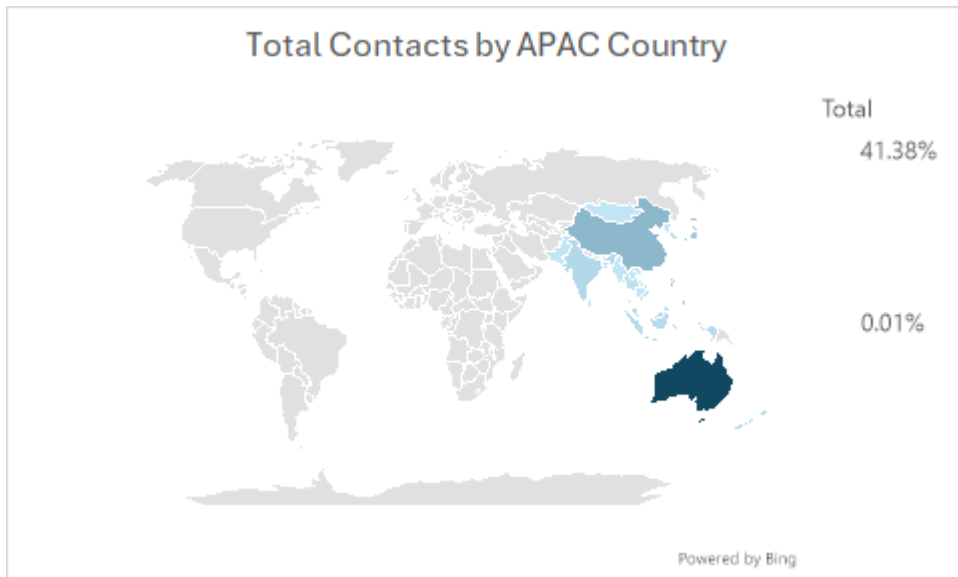
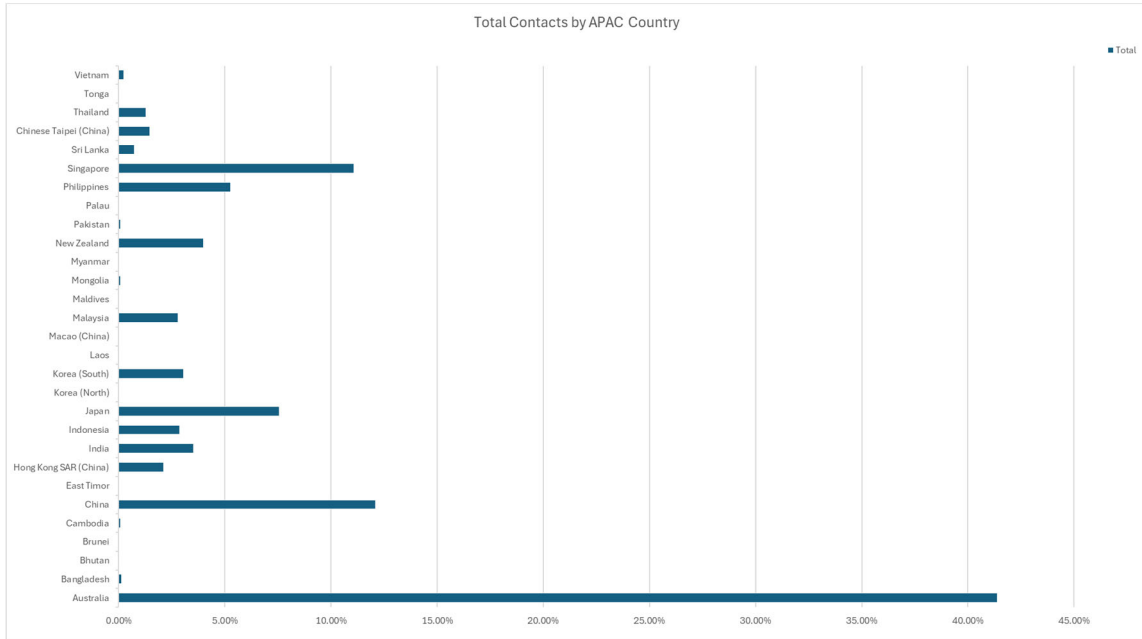
by Sub Region (APAC)

Australia and New Zealand = 3099
Eastern Asia = 1805
Micronesia = 2
Polynesia = 1
South-Eastern Asia = 1616
Southern Asia = 307



by Country (APAC)

- Australia= 2826
- Bangladesh = 9
- Bhutan = 1
- Brunei = 1
- Cambodia = 5
- China = 826
- East Timor = 1
- Hong Kong SAR (China) = 145
- India = 241
- Indonesia =196
- Japan = 517
- Korea (North) = 2
- Korea (South) = 209
- Laos = 1
- Macao (China) = 1
- Malaysia = 191
- Maldives = 1
- Mongolia = 5
- Myanmar = 2
- New Zealand = 273
- Pakistan = 5
- Palau = 2
- Philippines = 359
- Singapore = 756
- Sri Lanka = 50
- Chinese Taipei (China) = 100
- Thailand = 88
- Tonga = 1
- Vietnam = 16



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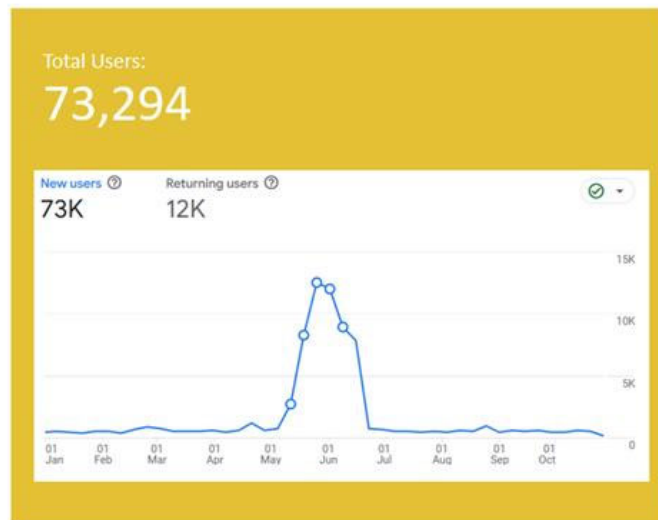
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Website Numbers

**IFLA Website
(2024)**

Top Countries

Egypt	11,351
China	8,408
Indonesia	8,358
Algeria	7,993
Philippines	5,414





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2 IFLA APR Overview Communication and Meeting Frequency

IFLA APR is meeting regularly with circulated Agendas and Meeting Minutes. We have several active Committees and Working Groups.

Below is a summary of our Communication and Meeting Frequency:

- IFLA APR Executive Quarterly Meetings
- Meeting's Agenda and Minutes Adopted
- Special IFLA APR Project Meetings
- Regular Emails
- Regular WhatsApp Groups
- Monthly IFLA APR Committees and Working Groups



3 IFLA-APR Advisory Board

In 2024 IFLA-APR established an Advisory Board to strengthen its corporate governance and knowledge within the organization.

We chose a group of suitably experienced people appointed to give considered advice, recommendations or counsel in connection with a business in terms of corporate or other organizational purpose, ensuring the need for cognitive diversity to support the making of a decision, succession planning, support possible new geographical or operational markets by bringing specialist skills, experience, knowledge or business networks to the consideration of the Executive.

The members were selected ensuring the roles and responsibilities of the advisory boards are determined on their establishment to best suit the organisation's particular circumstances and needs at that time. Below are the members:

- Damian Tang (Chair)
- Chris Tidswell (President, Director)
- Monica Kuo (Immediate Past President, Director)
- Audrey Timm
Technical Initiatives Manage
AIPH – International Association of Horticultural Producers
- Mike Barthelmeh NZILA <luemail108@gmail.com
Associate Professor at Lincoln University
Ex IFLA Honorary Secretary
Chair of University Accreditation
- Kuan Chee Yung
Global Head, Place Innovation
CONSULU
S - Global Innovation by Design Firm serving leaders, companies, and cities in their transformation to shape a better world.



4 2024 Africa, Asia Pacific, Middle East (AAPME Awards)

IFLA APR organize and host the AAPME Awards - Below is a summary of the awards for 2024:

Row Labels	Complete	Draft	Ready	Withdrawn	Grand Total
Australia	3				3
Bangladesh		1			1
China	267	12	5	1	285
Chinese Taipei	28	1			29
Fiji		1			1
Hong Kong S.A.R.		1			1
India	4	2			6
Japan	14	5	1		20
Malaysia	3	1			4
Philippines			2		2
Republic of Korea	3				3
Singapore	7		1	3	11
South Africa	1				1
South Korea	7				7
Sri Lanka			1		1
Tanzania	1				1
Thailand	5	1			6
United Arab Emirates	2		1		3
Vietnam			1		1
Grand Total	345	25	12	4	386

We have received 345 completed submissions - this may not be the final number, we still need to verify some of the submissions.

Submission comparison with past years:

AAPME

2020 = 274

2022 = 323

2024 = 345

LA Awards

2021 = 400

2023 = 433



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5 Treasurer's Summary

Final Report provided to World Council Meeting 2024 in Turkey.

We look forward to confirming the future IFLA World Association Fees Proposal as IFLA-APR LIMITED is officially incorporated as a local company in Singapore as of July 2023.

6 Incorporation of the Organization in Singapore

During the 2023 IFLA APR Proposed the incorporation of IFLA APR for many reasons it was endorsed with a change to the IFLA-APR Constitution.

This is now complete with IFLA APR being incorporate in Singapore:

IFLA-APR LIMITED is officially incorporated as a local company in Singapore under Section 19(4) of the Companies Act on 8/1/24, and that the company is a PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE.

7 Completed 2024 Revision of the IFLA APR Constitution

IFLA APR successfully completed a voted update of the IFLA APR Constitution in World Council Meeting 2024 in Turkey for several reasons explain in the attachments.

8 MoU with ISOLA for 2025 Congress

During the 2023 IFLA APR AGM in Tokyo Japan the Indian Society of Landscape Architect (ISOLA) proposed to host the 2025 IFLA APR Congress – it was endorsed and a Memorandum of Understanding now has been executed.

9 IFLA World Governance Review

As part of the work of the IFLA Corporate Governance Revision Working Group (CGRWG) we are hoping to hold scheduled sessions with each Regional Executive.

Through 2024 IFLA-APR has been involved in the Scheduled Session on the 12th of April CGRWG lead by Peta-Maree Ashford AILA.

Chris Tidswell (President) attended.

IFLA APR on behalf of its country associations (as reflected in the 2023 World Council Meeting Agenda Item Voting and Endorsement) has supported IFLA World Review Our Governance Structure Process. The world is changing, and IFLA needs to evolve with it.

Chris mentioned the below queries:

1. Currently no Protection to Elected Directors – once elected they are individually liable through incorporated organization country location (*Brussels)
2. Change in any Governance structure would directly affect all Regions
3. No changes to Governance Structure should occur until all Regions are incorporated to ensure best practice Corporate Governance and protection for Director and IFLA Brand
4. Current CGRWG required independent Professional Corporate Governance advice on any structure changes

We look forward to seeing this being progressed and contributing.

10 IFLA Congress Model

No engagement with IFLA APR on the revised proposal or investigation of the IFLA World Congress Model since World Council Meeting in Kenya in 2023.

11 IFLA APR Jobs Board

IFLA-APR as per 2023 IFLA APR AGM, set up and executed the Jobs Board. Result available on request.

12 Young LA Alliance (YLAA)

We still have 339 Members of the YLAA. IFLA APR needs to focus and support these members through various committees.

13 Recognition and Accreditation of Universities' Landscape Architecture Programs

The IFLA World Council meeting in Singapore, July 2018, approved a proposal for the IFLA APR to undertake Accreditation Reviews of programs in its region. IFLA APR creates a Panel that is Chaired by Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh, Chair of Panel, BHortSc; PGDipLA; MLA; FNZILA.

The panel met independently with senior staff, all permanent staff teaching into the programme, current undergraduate students, recent graduates of the programme and four employers. The panel was impressed with the open responses from all groups in regard to particular strengths of the programme, areas for improvement, and the ways in which facilities could better support the goals of the programme.



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A review of the landscape program at Institute Pertanian Bogor (IPB) in Indonesia was undertaken by a three-person panel in August 2023.

THAT the Bachelors degree in Landscape Architecture offered by IPB is granted PROVISIONAL ACCREDITATION in accordance with the IFLA APR Accreditation Procedures 2018, for a two year period from 2023, subject to satisfactory self-evaluation through the annual IFLA APR reporting process. The Faculty and Department hosting the program may NOT refer to the status of the program as being Accredited during this period; it must always refer to the program as having Provisional Accreditation.

In April 2024 Chinese Culture University, Taipei, Taiwan also consider the process but withdrew because of funding restrictions.

IFLA-APR looks forward to continuing the conversation at the IFLA World Meeting in Turkey as the

14 IFLA World Action-Orientated Goals

IFLA Executive Committee

Action-Orientated Goals between October 2024 and November 2026

Based on the strategic meeting and discussion of the IFLA Executive in Istanbul on 31 August 2024, we agreed on the following 18 action-orientated goals until November 2026.

IFLA APR are looking to directly assist IFLA Worlds on a number of the 18 Goals.



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15 Committee Summaries Report

Below is a summary [Please refer to each individual report for more detail] from each IFLA APR Committee and Working Group:

Communication & External Relations (CER)

Nandana Priyanka Ranatunga (Sri Lanka)

- Prepare terms of references (TOR) template for committee positions.
- Call articles for APR newsletter specific country focus pieces from National Associations, selected corporate members for relevant months.
- E-newsletter, website, social media reports review and proposed strategic plan for next month publications.
- Analyzing newsletter, website and social media statistics for upgrade more users than viewers.
- Plan, implement and monitoring IFLA APR timely activities and publishing considering graphic designs and overall compositions.
- Develop external relations with CITY GREEN magazine (issue 21) for featuring IFLA APR Luminary Awards 2023.
- Exploring media partnerships for broader engagements with Regional, Global levels.
- Complete initial virtual discussions with World Urban Parks (WUP) AP region for news sharing and/or work together and/or corporate membership.
- Continue discussions with South East Asia Building (SEAB) magazine for media supports.
- Work with two young landscape architects as CER committee members and motivate them for future APR responsibilities.
- Develop relationships with APR Delegates for gathering information of landscape/associate book writers/authors.
- Find out more opportunities for work with YLAA, APR arm strengthen for future professional development mainly Artificial Intelligence (AI) usage.

Finance and Business Planning (FBP)

Terence Tan (SILA)

As the Chairperson for IFLA APR Business Finance and Planning, I am pleased to provide you with an update on the activities in the business finance committee .

I am delighted to announce that Singapore will host this year's APPMEE Awards. The event will take place on 15 November 2024 at the Hilton Orchard. In addition to the awards ceremony, the event will feature a forum and technical tours, making it a highlight for the landscape architecture community.

Our secretariat, MCI, and I have visited the awards venue, and we are thrilled with the arrangements. The support from landscape architects across the region and beyond has been overwhelming. We received a total of 393 submissions, of which 338 have been shortlisted. Our esteemed judges are currently in the first stage of the judging process, and we expect to finalize the results by mid-August. We look forward to showcasing the exceptional work of our community.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to the judges for their time and dedication in making this awards program a success.

In terms of sponsorship, we are making significant progress. We have already secured a platinum sponsor, and the IFLA APR Business and Finance Subcommittee members are actively seeking additional sponsorship support. I appeal to our corporate and fellow members to seize this golden opportunity to be part of these prestigious awards.



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Education & Academic Affairs (EAA)

Wen-Shan Huang (CTLAS)

IFLA APR currently represents Asia national associations with over 150 corporate members and 14 country members. The IFLA APR EAA Regional Committee is a diverse team of landscape architects and professors of landscape architecture; our goals and missions include:

- Support the landscape profession
- Develop and promote the profession and discipline
- Train a new generation of landscape architects
- Contribute in identifying and preserving landscape sustainability
- Establish high standards of education and professional practice
- Promote educational and professional international exchange

Promote Academic Exchanges and Events:

- Organize Regional Academic Conferences and Workshops
- Establish Cross-National Educational Cooperation Projects
- Create an Online Exchange Platform:
- Set Up Regional Scholarships and Funding Programs:
- Promote Policy Support and Standard Development:

Organize Student Charrette



Progress of Program Accreditation
Professional Practice & Policy (PPP)

Pamela Sarunya J. Pagana (PILA)

In line with the committee's theme of connectivity, communications and scheduled alignment meetings from landscape architecture professionals and young leaders throughout the region is still ongoing. Different activities and initiatives are also ongoing that supports this year's theme.

No.	Item	Action/ Status
1.0	Administrative / General	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I conducted an alignment meeting with the new IFLA APR Working Group Chairs (LWB and Climate Change) regarding their plans for this coming term.• Attended and participated in ExCo Meetings	
2.0	IFLA APR AAPME Awards 2024 (See Appendix A)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Handles and oversees the call for submissions, judging and the whole process of awards.	November 15
3.0	IFLA Working Group for Global Recognition Meeting Updates	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regularly and actively attends meetings with the committee and together with other remembers came up with the guidelines and framework. Philippine Regulatory Board of Landscape Architecture (PRBola) presented their current MRPQ Guidelines for the committee's additional reference 	April 12
4.0	IFLA Standing Committee Revision Working Group	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regularly and actively attends meetings with the committee and participated in several worksessions 	
5.0	IFLA APR Talk and Share Series (See Appendix B)	
	February- A Collaborative Vision: The Landscape Architect's Role in Elevating Landscape Developments	February 22
	March- Navigating Ethics in Landscape Architecture	March 21
	April- Towards Sustainable Futures: Bridging Circular Cities and Landscape Architecture	April 25
	June- Landscapes in Motion: Cycling as a Sustainable Transport System	June 20
	August- Status of Professional Practice and Policy in IFLA APR Member Countries	August 24
6.0	World Landscape Architecture Month Promotions (See Appendix C) PPP Chair initiated this promotion for WLAM	April
7.0	Professional Practice and Policy Forum (See Appendix D)	
	FUTURE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE SERIES: Setting the Foundations for Resilient Landscapes and Communities	November 14



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Landscape Architects Without Borders (LAWB)

Norman June Brito (PILA)

Below is summary of the actions since Kenya 2023 that the IFLA APR LAWB Working Group has conducted:

- Meeting with IFLA World LWB Chair to discuss alignment and possible joint projects
- LWB contributing to the IFLA APR talk and share session
- New individual members from Bangladesh and Vietnam.

Climate Change Working Group

Paul Chan (HKILA)

No update provided.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any further queries.

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