



IFLA ASIA PACIFIC REGION COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

Date : 13st August 2021, 1130 hrs (GMT+9)

Venue : Zoom Platform (Virtual)

Present: (40)

Name	Designation	Organisation	Email
Ms Claire Martin	Committee	AILA	claire@oculus.info
Mr Ben Stockwin	Observer	AILA	Ben.Stockwin@aila.org.au
Mr Chris Tidswell	Hon. Sec Elect / Official Delegate	AILA	christ@arcadiala.com.au
Prof Zheng Xiaodi	Official Delegate	CHSLA	xiaodister@qq.com
Prof Li Xiong	Observer	CHSLA	bearlixiong@sina.com
Prof Zheng Xi	Official Delegate	CHSLA	zhengxi@bjfu.edu.cn
Ms Yi-Chia Wang	Observer	CTLAS	landscape.org@gmail.com
Mr Pei-Ching Kao	Official Delegate	CTLAS	peichingkao@gmail.com
Ms Monica Kuo	President-Elect	CTLAS	monica.kuo.1216@gmail.com
Mr Chin-Chih Hsu	Observer	CTLAS	eric@cnhwgroup.com
Ms Wan-Jiun Teng	Observer	CTLAS	wanjiunteng@gmail.com
Mr Bosco So Ho Lung	Committees	HKILA	boscoso@g.ecc.u-tokyo.ac.jp
Dr Nor Atiah Ismail	Official Delegate	ILAM	noratiah72@yahoo.com.sg
Ms D Rezalini Anwar	Official Delegate	ISLA	dewian@apps.ipb.ac.id
Ms Sridevi Rao	Official Delegate	ISOLA	isolapresident@gmail.com
Mr Prashanta Bhat	Observer	ISOLA	isolavicepresident@gmail.com
Ms Nidhi Madan	Observer	ISOLA	madannidhi@gmail.com
Prof Dr. Misato Uehara	Official Delegate	JLAU	ueharam@shinshu-u.ac.jp
Mr Kyung-Jin Zoh	Official Delegate to IFLA	KILA	kjzoh@snu.ac.kr
Mr Youngmin Kim	Observer	KILA	ymkim@uos.ac.kr
Associate Prof Mike Barthelmeh	Hon Secretary / Official Delegate	NZILA	mikebiflaapr@gmail.com
Dr Nappy Navarra	Official Delegate to IFLA	PALA	nappy.navarra@gmail.com
Ms Pamela Pagana	Observer	PALA	president@palaonline.org
Mr Ronnie Tan	Official Delegate to IFLA	SILA	rontanky@yahoo.com
Mr Damian Tang	Immediate Past President	SILA	damian_tang@yahoo.com.sg
Mr Priyanka Ranatunge	Official Delegate to IFLA	SLILA	priyanka_nature@hotmail.com
Ms Kotchakorn Voraakhom	Speaker	TALA	kotch@porouscity.org
Mr Vongvasu Chaloisap	Official Delegate to IFLA	TALA	vvdesine@gmail.com
Mr Mangkon	Observer	TALA	munggorn@gmail.com
Mr Marcel Ewals	Secretariat Committee	IFLA APR	marcel.ewals@mci-group.com
Mr Stephen Thomas	Secretariat Committee	IFLA APR	Stephen.thomas@mci-group.com
Mr Soben Kumar	Secretariat Committee	IFLA APR	ifla.apr@mci-group.com
Ms Yi Xuan Zhang	Secretariat Committee	IFLA APR	yixuan.zhang@mci-group.com
Ms Rayana Hossain	Observer	Non-Member	rayana.hossain@gmail.com
Ms Manifa Rehnuma	Observer	Non-Member	manifa.rehnuma@gmail.com
Mr Kim Hor Toh	Observer	Non-Member	kim.toh@surbanajurong.com

Mr Karma T. Wangchuk	Observer	Non-Member	ktwangchuk@gmail.com
Mr Erbai Xavier Matsutaro	Observer	Non-Member	xavier.matsutaro@gmail.com
Mr Lopeti Heimuli	Observer	Non-Member	heimuli@gmail.com
Dr Pham Anh Tuan	Observer	Non-Member	tuanpa@nuce.edu.vn

Absent with Apologies: (2)

Name	Designation	Organisation	Email
Mr Fumiaki Takano	President, IFLA APR	JLAU	tequila@tlp.co.jp
-	Observer (From Turkmenistan)	Non-Member	-

S/N	Description	Action	Dateline
	The Hon Secretary called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM		
1	<p><u>PRESIDENT'S WELCOME</u></p> <p>The President welcomed everybody with a recorded message, thanking all for participating in the meeting and looking forward to passing the presidency to the next candidate.</p>		
2	<p><u>APOLOGIES</u></p> <p>Only 2 apologies were received for the IFLA APR Regional Council Meeting 2020. The first being from Mr Fumiaki Takano and the second from a non-member observer from Turkmenistan for not being able to attend the meeting.</p>		
3	<p><u>DELEGATE, OBSERVER AND SECRETARIAT INTRODUCTIONS</u></p> <p>Delegates, observers, and the secretariat all gave a brief introduction.</p>		
4	<p><u>CONFIRMATION OF LAST COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES</u></p> <p>Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh (IFLA APR) highlighted how the council is unable to meet physically for the second time. The minutes of the last council meeting were confirmed with no edits. (16 votes in favour)</p> <p>Proposer: Mike Barthelmeh, NZILA Secunder: Nor Atiah Ismail, ILAM</p>		
5	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p> <p>5.1 IFLA APR Membership Fee IFLA was not able to waive the membership for 2020, as enquired by Dr Nappy Navarra, PALA, in the previous meeting.</p> <p>5.2 Standing Committees and Working Group Chairs There was encouragement last year for chairs to meet among each other, meetings of which have occurred. The same interaction is encouraged for the next set of chairs.</p>		

<p>5.3</p>	<p>Constitution Potential changes to the Constitution, such as having a Board of Directors instead of an Executive Committee, are subject to IFLA’s decisions in regard to their governance review which is still underway. IFLA APR will continue to wait for their response.</p>		
<p>5.4</p>	<p>Book Review Delegates to Cebu in 2019 who have received their book, Teaching of the Gardens, are requested to submit their reviews to the IFLA APR website and to their own organisation webpages.</p>		
<p>6</p>	<p><u>2021 ELECTION RESULTS</u></p> <p>An election summary was presented by Stephen of the Secretariat committee, who confirmed the election results which had been scrutinised by Ron Tan (SILA) and found to be in order. The election results are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Elected (unopposed) as IFLA APR President: Prof. Monica Kuo 2. Elected as Hon Secretary (unopposed): Mr. Chris Tidswell 3. Elected as IFLA-APR Working group Chair for Landscape without Borders (unopposed): Mr. Kiyohito Tamotsu 4. Elected as IFLA-APR Working group Chair for Communication and External Relations (CER): Mr. So Ho Lung Bosco 5. Elected as IFLA-APR Working group Chair for Finance and Business Planning (FBP): Mr. Damian Tang 		
<p>7</p>	<p><u>PRESIDENT’S REPORT</u></p> <p>Acting President Damian Tang, on behalf of President Mr. Fumiaki Takano, presented the report which focused on the continuation of the IFLA APR Tomodachi Project, launched in more of the nations in our region. Virtual meetings with groups of landscape architects and guidance on developing their constitutions will continue to lead to new applications to join IFLA. Other activities mentioned were the continued circulation of monthly newsletters, delivering the 2021 Asia-Pac LA Awards and the Luminary Awards, and developing a community portal.</p> <p>For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/7e7747c2-251d-4b1f-be49-ec26b0c82d89.pdf</p> <p>Tomodachi Project reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/ffa74a65-5846-40c3-b2f2-a56529736537.pdf</p>		
<p>7.1</p>	<p>President’s Award The President also presented the IFLA Asia-Pacific Region President’s Award, which was conferred on Mr. Damian Tang for substantially advancing the profession in our region under his leadership.</p> <p>CHSLA – Ms. Xiaodi Zheng clarified that CHSLA did not support David Yuezhong Chen, the sole nomination for a luminary award, due to document credibility reasons.</p>		

<p>8</p>	<p><u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u></p> <p>The Hon Treasurer, Dr Kuang-Yu Wang, presented financial reports, a balance sheet, profit & loss statements and a projected 2022 budget.</p> <p>Mr Damian Tang took note of a minor edit for the APR awards under the budget of IFLA APR.</p> <p>CTLAS – suggested better allocation of income for additional services and expanded reach</p> <p>ISOLA – asked if IFLA APR can allot a percentage of funds for an educational board in the future</p> <p>AILA – suggested a means for increasing income by introducing bands in membership</p> <p>Dr Kuang-Yu Wang explained the simplified process in budget proposals for suggested activities.</p> <p>The report is accepted by the Regional Council. (16 votes in favour)</p> <p>Proposer: Mike Barthelmeh, NZILA Secunder: Nor Atiah Ismail, ILAM</p>		
<p>9</p>	<p><u>STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT – COMMUNICATION AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS (CER)</u></p> <p>The CER Report was presented by Mr. So Ho Lung Bosco. For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/79cfbb92-b39b-45e6-ba40-d8cb76d8f16c.pdf</p> <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh invited others to join the CER committee and to suggest future topics for the newsletter to Mr. So Ho Lung Bosco.</p>		
<p>10</p>	<p><u>STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT – EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC AFFAIRS (EAA)</u></p> <p>The EAA Report was presented by Dr Zheng Xi, the current Chair. For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/e9e05bac-5022-4c00-a0a9-634e5d0e4e82.pdf</p> <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh advised that the EAA coordinate with the Secretariat to expand their connections with organisations. The invitation to join the EAA committee was also extended.</p> <p>Dr Nappy Navarra, PALA, reiterated volunteering to join the EAA Standing Committee since the previous meeting and asked about any activities that have transpired that he was not made aware of. Additionally, Dr. Nappy Navarra suggested focusing on the changes in Landscape Architecture education brought about by the pandemic.</p> <p>Mr Damian Tang suggested that the EAA share initiatives with the CER standing committee to widen reach and purpose.</p>		

<p>10.1</p>	<p>Ms Sridevi Rao, ISOLA, suggested that the EAA send emails to call for volunteers.</p> <p>Mr Ronnie Tan, SILA, also volunteered to join the EAA Standing Committee.</p> <p>Ms Nor Atiah Ismail, ILAM, shared about the IFLA 2020 Student Charette where most participants are from the APR and promised to send a report of the event to the EAA.</p> <p>Programme Accreditation</p> <p>Ben Stockwin, AILA presented the Programme Accreditation Report. For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/7a3d294e-5d7e-4536-9cb2-2a011daec7a3.pdf</p> <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh advised again that the EAA get involved with Programme Accreditation and gave several examples from various countries to clarify the topic.</p> <p>Ms. Sridevi Rao, ISOLA, asked about the preference for accreditation and if it is possible for IFLA-accredited organisations to accredit institutions who want to be part of the IFLA broader programme. The short answer is yes but can be further discussed by the EAA.</p>		
<p>11</p>	<p><u>STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT – FINANCE AND BUSINESS PLANNING (FBP)</u></p> <p>The FBP Report was presented by Mr Damian Tang. For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/207f8687-6a99-4ef6-a886-2d6af7a46abf.pdf</p> <p>The Luminary Awards portion was skipped due to the concerns raised by CHSLA earlier.</p> <p>As with other committees, the invitation to join the FBP committee was also extended.</p>		
<p>12</p>	<p><u>STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT – PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE AND POLICY (PPP)</u></p> <p>The PPP Report was presented by Prof. Dr. Takanori Fukuoka. For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/8e9f01d2-e0a9-44ee-bbd8-b8ee2f8705dc.pdf</p> <p>JLAU – Mr Kiyohito Tamotsu, JLAU invited everybody to join the Tomodachi talks in September 2021. Prof. Dr. Misato Uehara, JLAU also opened the topic on agricultural landscapes for seminars, webinars, etc.</p> <p>Dr Tak Fukuoka pointed out how IFLA APR does not own a webinar account yet, as he uses his own.</p> <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh, encouraged attendees to consider joining the PPP committee.</p>		

<p>13</p>	<p><u>SUB-COMMITTEE (WORKING GROUP) REPORT – CLIMATE CHANGE</u></p> <p>The Climate Change report was presented by Ms. Claire Martin. For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/a517a5e0-d2d0-4e47-9412-e5dbb822be1e.pdf</p> <p>On the note of broader representation, Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh, volunteered Matthew Bradbury, NZILA (already in correspondence), to join the committee. Ms. Claire Martin aims for 1 representative from each country.</p> <p>Ms. Claire Martin also aims to expand reach with translation of information into several languages. Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh suggests coordinating with CER who works with MCI, as well as to outline costs for the development of the tools.</p>		
<p>14</p>	<p><u>SECRETARIAT REPORT</u></p> <p>The Secretariat report was presented by Mr Marcel Ewals. For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/af3bc4c4-f38c-42a4-85ea-4573225d76ce.pdf</p> <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh thanked MCI and vouched for the quality of their services to the council.</p> <p>On the other hand, Nor Atiah Ismail, ILAM, feels detached from the APR. In her knowledge, country meetings in Malaysia rarely or have never occurred, so this regional council meeting is their only way to connect with APR. She hoped that APR could be more supportive to the next IFLA host.</p>		
<p>15</p>	<p><u>SUB-COMMITTEE (WORKING GROUP) REPORT – LANDSCAPE WITHOUT BORDERS</u></p> <p>The LWB report was presented by Ms Kotchakorn Voraakhom. For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/95f65dbd-c17d-4c40-8339-8e7a5768ee9c.pdf</p> <p>Mr. Damian Tang pointed out a recurring typographical error in the IFLA World event.</p> <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh again encouraged everybody to join the Landscape Architects without Borders sub-committee under PPP.</p>		
<p>16</p>	<p><u>2021 LA AWARDS AND LUMINARY AWARDS REPORT</u></p> <p>The 2021 LA Awards were already reviewed in the FBP report, and the discussion on the Luminary Awards was put on hold due to the concerns raised by CHSLA earlier.</p>		

17	<p><u>WORLD COUNCIL MEETINGS CONFIRMATION</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2021 – Malaysia (Update presented by Dr Nor Atiah Ismail, ILAM). For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/30232e7a-4c7c-4f79-9c87-567530c43f36.pdf • 2022 – South Korea (Update presented by Mr Kyung-Jin Zoh, KILA). For reference: https://ifla-apr.glueup.com/resources/protected/organization/910/event/38571/f32224ba-99f7-4f67-9bd5-14a5e041fc00.pdf <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh commends ILAM for organising the IFLA 2020 event and urges everyone to register for the conference.</p> <p>Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh and Dr Nor Atiah Ismail, ILAM expressed hopes that IFLA 2022 will be physically held. Mr. Damian Tang suggests preparing for the worst, including considerations for capacity and such. Dr Nor Atiah Ismail, ILAM offered IFLA APR and KILA to hold a meeting where ILAM can share their experiences.</p>		
18	<p><u>REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS CONFIRMATION</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023 – Japan/ JLAU (Update presented by Prof. Dr. Misato Uehara, JLAU. The congress is likely to be held in Tokyo, Japan) • 2024 – Chinese Taiwan/ CTLAS (Update presented by Mr Luis Kao, CTLAS. The congress will be held in Taipei, Chinese Taiwan. For reference: https://iflaapr.org/sites/default/files/content-files/IFLA%20APR%20AGM%202020%20Reports/16.%20Regional%20Council%20Meeting%20Update%20-%20CTLAS.pdf <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh has pencilled in for India to host the regional congress and council meeting in 2025. In case other countries are interested as well, proposals can be discussed in the near future.</p> <p>Prof. Dr. Misato Uehara, JLAU shared additional information regarding IFLA 2023 plans.</p>		
19	<p><u>AOB</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Open Call for Proposals</u> On the note of preparing budget proposals for projects, Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh called for any ideas that can be beneficial for the whole region. • <u>Meeting more frequently</u> On the note of detachment from the APR, Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh suggested to the next executive committee to consider meeting more frequently for support and project ideation. • <u>World Council Meeting</u> Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh reminded everybody to attend on August 16-17, 2021. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>IFLA 2020 Invitation</u> Dr Nor Atiah Ismail, ILAM clarified that the invitations will be sent via email on August 16, 2021, which will include a link to the overall platform. Sophia Wang suggested extending the On-Demand videos up until December 2021. The general informal consensus is positive towards extending, but Mr. Damian Tang raised the concern on costs to extend. Ms Sridevi Rao suggested that APR support ILAM for the costs, if any. <p>Mr. Marcel Ewals, MCI, confirms that videos can be published on the APR website, but will be accessible by the public and not just IFLA registrants. Further coordination will occur after the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>IFLA International Climate Action Commitment</u> Ms. Claire Martin reminds everybody to be represented and vote for ratification. Declaration and documents will be received after registration. 		
21	<p>Closure President Mr Fumiaki Takano welcomed the new APR President and shared inspiring words about the profession of Landscape Architecture.</p> <p>Hon Secretary, Assoc. Prof. Mike Barthelmeh thanked respective committees and working groups for making the IFLA AGM Council Meeting successful. A photo was taken before the meeting is officially closed.</p>		

With no further matters for discussion, the meeting concluded at 1630hrs.

-End-

Recorded by: Soben Kumar, Secretariat
Reviewed by: Chris Tidswell, Secretary
Approved by: Monica Kuo, President