

Architectural Design Days Riyadh

Al Faisaliah Hotel Riyadh April 29 & 30, 2012



A Chapter of the American Institute of Architects







Call For Papers

The AIA Middle East Chapter is issuing a Call for Papers to be presented during the first "Architectural Design Days Riyadh", which will take place on April 29&30, 2012 at the Faisaliah Hotel Riyadh. The conference is organized by the AIA Middle East in collaboration with Sesam Business Consultants and part of a series of educational events on Architecture in Saudi Arabia and the Middle East.

The AIA conference committee is now accepting abstracts for lectures as part of the above symposium. The conference offers speaker opportunities for a minimum of 30 min conference presentations (incl. 5 min Questions & Answers) on Day 1, as well as a minimum of 60 min lectures in the form of workshops on Conference Day 2.

The event will be designed to cater to the AIA's mandatory Continuing Education System (CES) for which it offers accreditation in Learning Units (LUs) to AIA registered architects.

Application Date: Deadline for the abstract submission is February 29, 2012

Proposal Form: Please submit an abstract (maximum one page) in English and a related CV

and photo

Review Process: Abstracts will be reviewed by the AIA Conference Committee and answered

within one week of receipt.

Presentation Submission: Draft presentation to be submitted until March 15, 2012

Submission Address: loay.quota@aiamiddleeast.org

Presentations are required to focus on Saudi Arabia and the Gulf Region. They will be grouped by "module" or topic area from the following:



MODULES

- Projects Architecture
- Professional Practice
- Urban Planning & Landscape
- Sustainability
- Out of the Box

DETAIL: MODULES AND TOPIC IDEAS (SUGGESTIONS)

NOTE: Speaker Candidates can propose more than one topic paper, and can propose papers on topics which do not appear here.

A. PROJECTS - ARCHITECTURE

- Commercial: High and Mid-rise
- Residential: High Rise and Apartments / Detached and Townhouse / all
- Government
- Education
- Health Care
- Mosques
- Other project types
- Construction Methodologies: Current and Future Trends
- Indigenous Saudi Architecture

B. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

- · Continuing Education for Architects: Options and Ideas
- Student Training: Internships for Students and Recent Graduates
- Women at Work
- Systems and Training (project management, etc.
- Planning for career growth
- · Starting your own practice
- Best Practices: Resources
- Contracts
- Construction Documents
- Specifications
- Construction Management
- Licensure and Registration: International and Saudi
- Construction Cost Estimating: Design Phases

C. URBAN PLANNING & LANDSCAPE

URBAN PLANNING

- Overview of History and Current Trends
- Saudi Arabia's "economic cities": Pros and Cons
- Sustainable Urban Planning: What is it?
- Sustainable Infrastructure
- · Parks and Street Trees
- Successful Case Studies- Historical and Modern Day
- UNICEF's "Child Friendly Cities" program
- · Urban Planning for Housing Projects

LANDSCAPE

- Architect and Landscape Architect Collaborations
- Considering Landscape during Architectural Design: Case Studies
- Water use and Landscape: Facts, Ideas, and Innovation
- Riyadh Projects
- Landscape Design and Project Value
- Green Roofs

URBAN PLANNING AND LANDSCAPE

- Lessons from Riyadh's Diplomatic Quarter (DQ)
- · Street Trees and Urban Planning
- Public Parks and Urban Planning

D. SUSTAINABILITY

- International Standards and Movements
- Energy Efficiency:
- Analysis and Options: High Tech and Low Tech
- Smart Buildings
- Glazing Choices (All Bldg types)
- National KSA Goals (KA-CARE)
- Water Efficiency
- Materials
- Standards and Criteria for Sustainable Materials
- Construction Management and Sustainability
- Sustainable Design and Cost: First Cost and Life Cycle Cost

E. OUT OF THE BOX

- Exhibit Design
- Artist- Architect Collaborations
- Site Specific Sculpture and Landscape Projects
- Architects as Humanitarians
- Architecture for Humanity, Local Saudi programs (parks in Jeddah)
- Theoretical Projects- Lessons for Applied Design
- Craft and Architecture
- Arabian Design Motifs
- The Role of Community in Local Design