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BREAKING NEWS: XXI GENERAL ASSEMBLY & SEMINAR AGAIN POSTPONED

The Editor of the **Supplement** (which was announced as an Annex in the Newsletter No. 68) informs that the general situation still experienced due to the chaos caused by the pandemic will not allow the program announced on page 3 of that Newsletter to be carried out. The **General Assembly** will not be held on July 15, nor will the Seminar "**Participation is a Right**" on July 14 and 16.

Both activities, announced ever since the end of 2019, have been postponed since July 2020, without the possibility of being carried out.

Hundreds of invitations were sent to partners and contacts from the updated database of the ARC•PEACE Secretariat.

As the Secretary of the NGO explains on page 2, the uneven global progress in the fight against Covid-19 prevents those who wish to participate. Some to take a well-deserved rest; others due to the intense labour pace imposed to recover their economies.

If, as is the wish of the majority, this general situation improves, the Secretariat will report on the next steps to be followed, using social networks, the web and the Newsletters.

The Secretary, **Oscar Margenet Nadal**, takes the opportunity to thank those members who contacted him to comply with the corporate obligations and also send him words of warm encouragement. Many of them did so despite suffering the consequences of the prevailing chaos at all level. **Despite everything, they made use of their right to participate, while at the same time fulfilling their duties.**

You can also read on page 2 the article on the harmful combination of behaviours that generates and sustains the repeated stagnation of institutional life.

Likewise, the link to the pdf "Preliminary Report of the ARC•PEACE International Refoundation Project" is attached.

Finally, on Thursday July 15, the day the institution will be 34 years old, the **Secretary** will make himself available to those who wish to connect via WhatsApp or Telegram to the number **Int + 34 638 556 953** to transmit a video or pass their greeting to be shared with other ARC•PEACE members. You can also leave your greeting on any of the pages on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1535062103438673> (ARC•PEACE Iberoamérica)

<https://www.facebook.com/ArcPeace-International-425665954845118>

(Arc•Peace International)

If you wish, you can visit the website attended by the volunteer and Vocational Training student, **Joan Gabriel Margenet** (17 years old):

<https://arcpeaceinternational.org/>

We suggest sending your comments and ideas to the Secretary. They would be very encouraging to **Joan Gabriel** for his good effort.

The Editor

COVID-19: NEW ARC•PEACE INTERVIEW WITH THE VENEZUELAN RESEARCHER WORKING IN CHINA

Covid-19 leaves us humans many and valuable lessons in all of our activity areas.

Some of those lessons have been shared by ARC•PEACE for over a year.

The most populous country on the planet, **China**, is perhaps the one that best interprets disasters when taking measures in favor of the population.

An example is the way China dealt with the pandemic from the beginning.

This opinion arises from the interview that **Alejandra Cerutti Jacob** (left), Secretary of ARC•PEACE Iberoamérica, conducted at the beginning of 2020, with **Dr. Douglas Colina Polanco** (right), a Venezuelan physician and researcher who works in Beijing (Newsletter No.63, March 2020, page 4).

The professional diagnosed early, and with scientific precision, that "mechanical ventilation of the Covid-19 infected patient should be avoided as it produces mucosal pulmonary embolism."



Dr. D. Colina is the President of the WAMS Venezuelan Council (World Academy of Medical Sciences), Member of the Faculty of the Academy, and Member of the Executive Committee of WAMS.

Before settling in China where he lives with his family, **Dr. Colina** practiced in Bonaire (Netherlands Antilles), Spain, Venezuela, Portugal and Germany.

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Photos of Founding Colleagues and Collaborators of ARC•PEACE / Pages 7 & 8

Photos of Works of Colleagues Historically linked to the Association / Pages 9 & 10

Stagnation = Defending the right to participation without fulfilling one's own duties

The members of the human species are owners of a long series of characteristics that, in fact, far from dignifying us, dishonour us. One of those inconceivable defects of so intelligent beings is 'reductionism'.

What is reductionism?

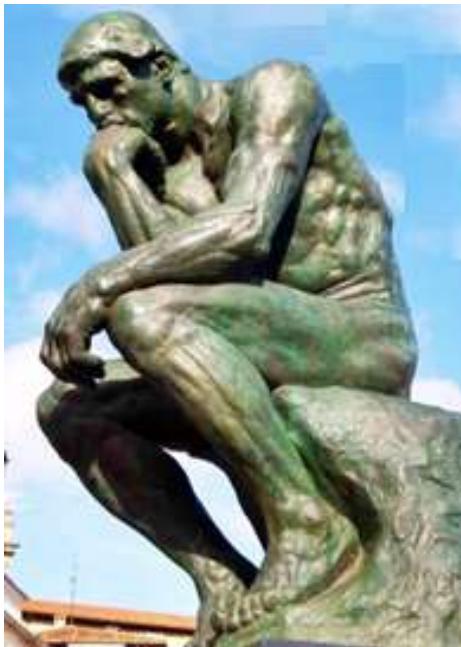
The tendency to obtain something without effort, easily and without sacrifices is known as 'reductionism'. Therefore the 'reductionists' are those representing the materialistic culture that prioritizes "having" over "being"; thus discouraging reflection and self-criticism¹.

Here, it is necessary to clarify that a 'reductionist' not necessarily is synonymous with "rascal" or "rogue", as low birth people are called. You can be a reductionist and, at the same time, be highly respected in a society based on success at any cost. These people are often described with phrases such as "*That guy is successful because he achieves what he sets out to do without spending himself*"; "*It is admirable how she gets everything she wants, without doing anything*". They are even looked at with admiration and respect, **because with the 'gift of the gab' they get many followers**.

Life is worth living with no reductionist people surrounding us. If you don't put the proper distance from them, you can end up frustrated and overwhelmed. After 34 years of ARC•PEACE life, books could be written about the frustrations and burdens suffered by their mentors, due to this universal behaviour often exhibited, with few exceptions, by architects, designers and planners².

Consciously or not, we tend to avoid facing many problems, as difficult as real, opting for the easy way. For fear of the ridicule, politely or silently, not a few dodge the challenges to fulfill their duties as responsible citizens.

They repeat without blushing "*soldier who flees remains alive to continue fighting*"; but, they are never seen fighting on the front lines!



It is enough only to open our eyes to understand that the true sense of the right to participate lies in the attitude of fulfilling the duty to do what we know is necessary; and in getting involved in what is right.

The right to participate goes hand in hand with the responsibility to do what we have to do because of who we are.

Nobody contributes to sustaining the Common Good if the one's own good is priority number 1. It is necessary to take time to think and reflect, before acting. This is what conveys the work of the famous sculptor Auguste Rodin³ shown in the top photo.

"What makes my thinker think is that he thinks not only with his brain; also with her frown, with her distended nostrils and compressed lips, with every muscle in her arms, back and legs, with her clenched fist and her toes clenched" - defines his author.

As we are about to celebrate our 34th anniversary, it is good to remind when the NGO's most established mentors repeated the motto "*unity makes the force*."

It is not the task of just one or two, or of a committee with few members. It's all the associates' effort what creates the synergy that allows us to achieve the goals, and to enjoy it.

Left: 'The Thinker' (1881-1882) one of Auguste Rodin's famous Works of Art.

The delayed time of reactivation

The Covid-19 pandemic infected near 200 million and claimed the lives of almost 4 million humans⁴. This evil took even the knowledgeable and powerful of the earth by surprise, and exposed their unjustified degree of improvisation and hypocrisy due to their undeniable ambition and greed⁵.

On the one hand, there are countries where those in power are not able to satisfy the health basic needs of a population suffering consequences of the collapse of their economy.

On the other hand, in the countries that reached 'herd vaccination' there are two simultaneous trends:

1. Health workers by all recognized as heroic take a well-deserved and restorative rest to recover from their extraordinary participation.
2. Companies hit by the economic paralysis, concentrate all their efforts on recovering some of the much lost.

Due to the above, the seminar "***Participation is a Right***" that was rescheduled for July, has not received the minimum response that justifies its celebration. With the regret it means for those of us working on its planning, we have decided to postpone it for a better date. While we apologize to the brave members who were going to participate, we'll endeavour to do the event in October this year, as long as we receive the necessary support.

Oscar Margenat Nadal, Secretary

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CATCHING UP WITH COVID-19

After living 1 and a half years with the epidemic, we must draw conclusions. In the first interview with **Dr. Douglas Colina Polanco**, shared in March 20201, the Venezuelan doctor and researcher based in China, told us that instead of respirators, it is "*pulmonary mucosal aspirators that should be used to prevent rapid death of the patient*".¹ Many humans would have been saved by following this recommendation. Thanks to a new connection with the professional in **China**, **Alejandra Cerutti** helps us to be updated

AC: What lessons have these almost two years of suffering from Covid-19 left you?

Dr. Colina: In particular, the uneven results in the different regions are visible. There were cases difficult to understand; very sad; fruit of the measures taken. Where the virus originated and in nearby countries where it spread, it did little damage. It was different in Europe and the Americas where there are still many deaths from contagion today.

AC: How do you find out about all this despite working in the Far East?

Dr. Colina: I daily communicate and interact with the Western world; especially with many colleagues from American, European and African countries. In Asian countries, whatever their government, there was an orderly taking of measures to implement the containment of viremia.

AC: Which ones, for example?

Dr. Colina: China took the radical action of isolating from the rest an entire region inhabited by about 40 million people. This contributed to the disease not progressing with the aggressiveness exhibited in Europe and the Americas.

AC: Historically Asians are used to living under pressure, aren't they?

Dr. Colina: Asians' obedience to rulers is part of their culture. They have gotten used to being disciplined.



But, they are also willing to set aside personal rights in favor of the community's. They take care of themselves, because the common good is that everyone is healthy. In the countries of the East, each person was urged that collaborate respecting three basic protection measures; like **washing your hands, covering your mouth and nose** and **isolating yourself at the slightest suspicion of being infected**.

AC: hygiene plays a preponderant role.

Dr. Colina: And it's not from now. The aforementioned sanitary measures are 3,500 years old; the same prevention strategies contained in Torah ². We read here of legislator Moses receiving from God himself those instructions to apply to the ancient Israel ³. Those who kept these three norms were protected from death.

AC: Ancient doctors knew little or nothing about the microorganisms and germs that cause disease.

Dr. Colina: That's right; with scientific development today we know much more. However, in times of epidemics or pandemics the first measures to be taken continue to be those; even more so, given the possibility of future unknown cases.

AC: Scientists who anticipate new diseases, do they calculate the times?

Dr. Colina: It used to take longer times than now. Know the Covid-19 virus and define effective treatment protocols in cases of disease took just 6 months of time.

AC: What would you advise to face the unknown?

Dr. Colina: Prevent. Always prevent!

AC: There was a lack of foresight; and still only few can access to new technologies.

Dr. Colina: It is true; since technological advance is very fast and takes time to reach lower social levels. Therefore, the important thing has always been and will be to take preventive measures, they could be called "low technology", whatever the prevailing intellectual and the socio-economic level, due to their easy implementation worldwide.

To be successful, such measures must be the 'tip of the spear', the first line of battle. Noble human qualities such as solidarity, common sense, and community spirit, alien to all foolish individualism, are key ingredients in overcoming these and other future threats.

AC: Why do infections seem to be faster than mass vaccination?

Dr. Colina: These are days never seen before; thanks to high technology, there are countries manufacturing vaccines in a short time. Still, in the laboratory, in vitro, the quality and safety of vaccines is one thing. Very different is what we see once applied to people, on a large scale. It takes longer to test the effectiveness of vaccines in people.

AC: What does that effectiveness depend on?

Dr. Colina: Micro-organisms and bodies respond in different ways. A non-complete list of variables may include: immune status, underlying diseases, physical condition, virus mutations, abundance or lack of sunlight viral load, bad habits, geographic location, degree of virulence in certain people and type of diet.

AC: So it is not the same to vaccinate in Asia as in other continents.

Dr. Colina: Right. The African continent gave me another great lesson. Without the technological or industrial development achieved by the other continents, there is a lack of medicines and vaccines. It is a population that consumes less protein than the rest of the world, with a high rate of undernourishment.

(Conclusion on page 4)

AC: It's a pretty bleak outlook!

Dr. Colina: Let's remember that the African continent is where the human species originated. Africans live in harmony with nature. They feed on agricultural products, animals hunted or raised naturally. They developed over time a strong immune system by being attacked and decimated by many types of pests. This helps them defend themselves against many diseases and pests such as this pandemic. The African people have successfully faced the fight against the virus using their ancestral "**low technology**" whose main trait is solidarity.⁴ This is the value of vital importance to help them win the fight against the common enemy.

AC: What would you recommend to architects, designers, planners, engineers and builders responsible for hospital infrastructure projects?

Dr. Colina: In fact, in the most advanced countries, health professionals have an active participation in project teams. But, given the sudden appearance of new epidemics or pandemics, it is difficult for society as a whole to be sufficiently prepared to face them as is desirable. In crisis situations, even the best hospitals with the best resources can be overtaken.

AC: This is what right now is happening in many countries that believed they were well equipped with health infrastructure.

Dr. Colina: This type of crisis always goes beyond anything known and previously planned. We are learning on the fly the pertinent actions to execute. This is what happened in China, where despite its high degree of health preparedness, it was imperative to urgently build a hospital to receive thousands of patients infected by the virus in Wuhan, the epicentre of the outbreak. And it was done in a record time of ten days.⁵

AC: The issue of medical supplies joins that of infrastructures, right?

Right: Huoshenshan Hospital, Wuhan, China,

First in the World built for Covid-19 patients.



Dr. Colina: That's right; to fill the gaps that were presented to us, in another show of solidarity in the face of the crisis, **Japan** and **South Korea** immediately sent shipments of masks and alcohol-gel to **China**. They understood very well that when this type of pest is in one place it can also be everywhere, as in fact it happened weeks later. For those of us who know how complicated it is to build and operate a hospital, Huoshenshan astonished us. It was an implausible action, executed and used so well that a few months later it was closed due to lack of patients. These radical measures of containment of the virus were tremendously effective.

AC: What measures would you advise those not living in China to take?

Dr. Colina: I recommend that everyone, individuals and society, learn from the mistakes and horrors committed. The political leaders in power, if they made serious mistakes at the cost of many unnecessary deaths, must take responsibility. His excessive and arrogant disbelief, lack of character or delay in summoning opponents, are not valid excuses for not making correct decisions. With the damage done, they must not be allowed to pass on their guilt to others.

AC: This is what happens on a daily basis in most Latin American countries.

Dr. Colina: That social vision that has been lived since childhood is very regrettable, because it becomes a pernicious lifestyle.

AC: The opposite is very expensive: like going uphill or rowing against the current.

Dr. Colina: Those examples mark well what it costs to have a healthy lifestyle. It happens that a good part of the human behaviour results from the way we treat our body. As '*nothing is new under the sun*', 2,700 years before Christ there was a sage named **Imhotep**,⁶ born in **Egypt**.

He's considered the first physician and the first architect in history; as well as inventor, engineer and astronomer. He said that the quality of our health depends on our diet. Closer to us sage **Hippocrates**, born in **Greece** 460 years before Christ, had the same opinion as **Imhotep**. Both argued that in order to face any foreign element -internal or external that threatens our body- the best preventive measure and the first medicine are our food intake in the correct quantity, proportion and frequency.

AC: It seems so simple; if it weren't for the very tempting advertising promotions.

Dr. Colina: To avoid consumerism and enjoy good health, it is also necessary to get a healthy recreation; or carry out any sports activity according to our physical capacity. That will help us detoxify from what we eat, drink, read, see, or hear on a daily basis. And we will develop healthy habits and customs according to our possibilities, intellect and reason.

AC: I give thanks to **Dr. Colina** on behalf of ARC•PEACE for his valuable input.

Summarized & translated by The Editor

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ARC•PEACE INTERNATIONAL REFUNDATIONAL PROJECT

PRELIMINARY SUMMARY

During the first 28 of its 34 years, our institution was managed and promoted mostly by a group of valued Swedish colleagues and of other nationalities who were studying or working in Sweden.

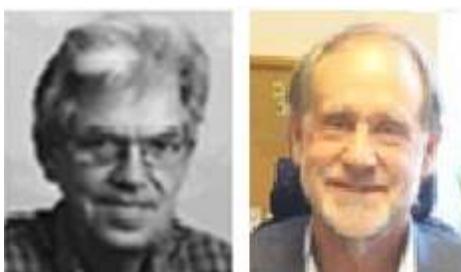
That was the reason why the Secretariat functioned in Stockholm since its foundation as IADPPNW, an acronym for *International Architects Designers Planners for the Prevention of Nuclear War*, and later as ARC•PEACE, until 2015.

It was registered with *UN ECOSOC*, under the name of international architects, designers, planners for social responsibility, in 1993.¹

The relocation of the headquarters to Spain was not scheduled; it was an extreme measure taken in response to two very unfortunate events:

The first, the long illness suffered since 2014 by the late **Professor Dick Urban Vestbro**, who endured it with enormous courage until his death five years later;

The second, the discreet - but very heartfelt departure from this world - of one of the NGO's main mentors, the late **Professor Sven Thiberg** in March 2015.



Above: **Sven Thiberg & Dick Urban Vestbro**, the two Swedish colleagues who kept ARC•PEACE alive for almost three decades

Being the only co-founder in activity to date, I assumed the Secretariat of ARC•PEACE and the transfer of the headquarters to Spain, which was incorporated into the **RNA (National Registry of Associations)** at the end of 2015, in *Palma, island of Mallorca*, and capital of the *Balearic Islands*.

The *Executive Committee* planned in 2019 the XXI GA to be held in the same city, under the motto "**Participation is a Right**".

The date of May 2020 was set, with the idea of facilitating the attendance of interested parties to the UIA World Congress '*Rio de Janeiro World Capital of Architecture*', planned for July of that same year. But, due to the sanitary restrictions caused by the pandemic, everything was postponed until 2021.

We were only able to invite members and supporters to an online meeting when ARC•PEACE turned 33 on July 15, 2020.

The colleagues who participated that day were **Graeme Bristol** (President), **Paul Broches** (Representative to the UN), **Fernando Mendizábal Mendoza** (in charge of the Google Meet session), and who signs this note.

At that meeting we agreed that society as a whole faces a situation that forces radical changes in all areas; also that this implies a huge task. Despite this, we believe that we should see this situation as an opportunity to properly adapt our institutional functioning; something that was always tried, but could not be achieved yet; as the selection of citations further down describe.

The complete Proposal shared in January of this year can be entered in the following links:

<https://www.facebook.com/ArcPeace-International-425665954845118/photos/pcb.982975962447445/5982975522447489/>

<https://arcpeaceinternational.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/ARC-%E2%80%A2-PEACE-INTERNATIONAL-REFOUNDATIONAL-PROJECT-1.pdf>

Oscar Margenet Nadal, Dip BC EIS; Dip A&P, UNR; Charter Architect RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects)

Selection of citations on key ARC•PEACE needs not yet met

"A precondition of any successful activity is having solid finances; something that up to now ARC•PEACE has not had".

ARC•PEACE Secretariat, Stockholm, 1991.²

"Existing resources prevent having a salaried secretary. This is a limiting factor for tasks that require a lot of time and continuous work".

Sven Thiberg, Stockholm, 1993.³

"Finance is a very important matter to be widely discussed. Wouldn't it be appropriate for ARC•PEACE to have a fundraising team?"

Jim Morgan, New York, 1999.⁴

"If each member made a small contribution, we could grow to be a major force."

Dick Urban Vestbro, Stockholm, 2006.⁵

"A big problem is finding enough financial resources to build the necessary competitiveness and cover the costs of travelling around."

Sven Thiberg, Estocolmo, 2007.⁶

"Each of us has a responsibility to nurture ARC•PEACE; strengthen it to spread its message internationally, and be an example".

Bijayanand Misra, N. Delhi, India, 2008.⁷

"Our organization does not raise the funds necessary to have a secretary and an office."

Dick Urban Vestbro, Estocolmo, 2008.⁸

"ARC•PEACE needs to fundraise. Fundraising needs fundraisers; i. g.: You!"
Oscar Margenet Nadal, 2013.⁹

"Two problems still persist:

- Total reliance on the ability and willingness of Dick Urban Vestbro, and
- The fragile economy based on temporary solutions and individual sacrifices".

Sven Thiberg, Estocolmo, 2014.¹⁰

Right: cover of the Practical Handbook edited by the Fundraising Committee after the XVII GA held in Copenhagen, 2012. The 2021 updated edition is ready. Request a copy from the Secretariat.



Research and Selection by The Editor

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Pioneers of the Association founded as IADPPNW (1987 – 1989) and since 1989

ARC•PEACE (*international architects designers planners for social responsibility*)



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135 women and men that make up the history of ARC • PEACE International



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Award-winning architect says



Frank Gehry:
"Politicians and architects are to blame for the monstrosities that arise in many cities"

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WHO GAVE THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ITS NAME?



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Viral video

ARCHITECT SERGIO MANES EXPLAINS THE CAUSES OF THE COLLAPSE OF CHAMPLAIN TOWERS



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UN: Report on Education/COVID-19

600 million children miss school



<https://news.un.org/en/story/2021/07/1096502>

**Pedro Castillo: new President of Peru
He resigns his salary as President and will continue with that of Teacher**



<https://moneytrainingclub.com/castillo-announces-that-he-will-resign-his-salary-as-president-of-peru-and-will-continue-with-that-of-teacher/>

Climate Change

Permafrost: Siberia's "eternal frozen ground" melts



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Palma, finalist in another election

BEST CITY IN THE WORLD



<https://www.luxurylifestylemag.co.uk/travel/lms-prestigious-readers-travel-awards-2021-now-open-for-entries/>

Landslide and floods; videos

Many people still missing due to the torrential rains in Japan



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=389lqjReqJo>

Climate vulnerability seen in China



Germany



United Kingdom



<https://www.reuters.com/business/environment/china-germany-floods-expose-climate-vulnerability-2021-07-22/>

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62 Kenyan children in Kisii

More help is needed to repair the roof destroyed by storms, early July



With a little effort, you will be saving many lives. Please donate!

The Editor

Photos of Some Works of Colleagues Historically Linked to the Association



Kate Macintosh. Known as *Dawson's Heights*, this great social urbanization is located at East Dulwich, Southwark, London; it counts with 298 flats with 1 to 4 bedrooms, in two blocks. Construction: 1964 y 1972.

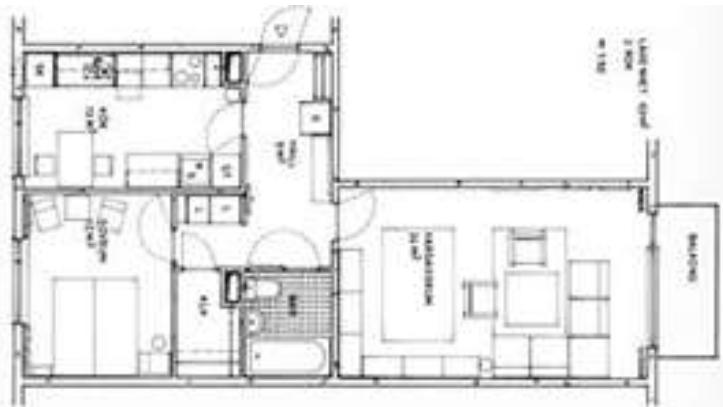
Yuri Platonov.

Right: Museum of Paleontology Yuri Orlov.

Construction: 1972-1987

Extreme right: Presidium of the Academy of Sciences of Russia.

Construction: 1974-1997



Alice Thiberg survives her husband, **Sven Thiberg**, a mentor of ARC•PEACE. She is an architect and author of books on design.

Top left: a minimum size flat (1968); right: Alice shows a finished work in the middle of 20th Century. Known as 'Miss Kitchen' in Sweden for her successful kitchen designs; she also stood out for defining regulatory and technical aspects of construction.



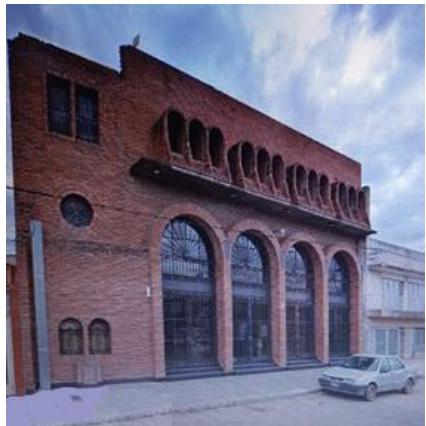
Tician Papachristou. In life, Tician was a partner of the famous designer Marcel Breuer until his death. Of a very low profile, his works in the USA were discovered and disseminated by architectural researchers and historians.

Top left and center: **Sampson House**, Boulder, Colorado, 1958; right: **Jesser House**, Boulder Colorado, 1959.

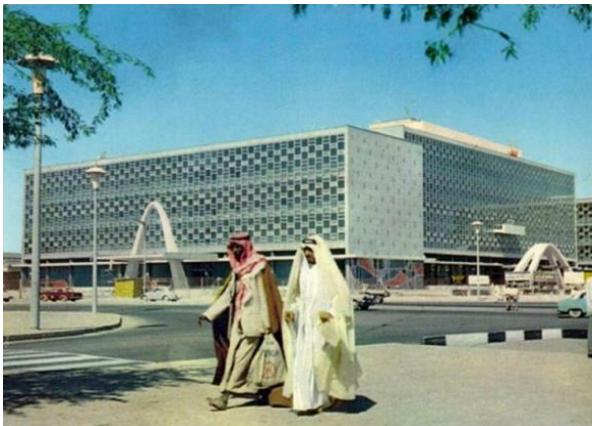
Works by three ARC-PEACE co-founders: A Japanese, an Argentine and a New Zealander



Top: Single Family Home designed by the Architect **Akio Hayashi**, where he lives with his family. His wife, **Kazuko**, designed and keeps the surrounding garden; 1960s, **Tokyo, Japan**.



Top left: Oscar Margenat Nadal designed The Royal Mint office and workshop buildings, **Llantrisant, Wales, United Kingdom**, 1971; and right: designed the superblock urban area, on the original by Team Ten **George Candilis**; and right: Extension to the **Municipal Palace, Kuwait, Kingdom of Kuwait**, 1976 -77. Left: Exposed bricks on the “**Open Arms Church**” frontage, Corrientes 3628, **Santa Fe, Argentina**, 1984.



Bottom: Tony Watkins, vernacular architect, traveller and lover of photography shows his 100m² “Low Cost Human House”; **Aotearoa, New Zealand**. Together with Oscar, Tony was a guest of the Hayashis in Tokyo, Japan, 1990.





Reuben M. Mutiso. Tecture International. Top: Students' Residential Building, *Conference of Catholic Bishops, Nairobi, Kenya*.

Top right: *Psychiatric Hospital Bophelong, Mahikeng, South Africa*.

Right: *Toro Safari Lodge* main building; *Botswana*.



Witold A. Thumenas. Vernacular Inn; with the Warsaw-Mazuriana Trading Company **Witold** designed and built dozens of models and sizes.

Above from left to right: Sketch, ground floor and 1st floor of the Inn.

Right: Main façade; *Warsaw, Poland, 1980s*.



Graeme Bristol. Portable School
designed and built following the principles of sustainable architecture.

The Canadian architect, **President of the Center for Architecture and Human Rights (CAHR)**, shares photos of the work made entirely of local bamboo. The empathy achieved between designers and users is evident; *Bangkok, Thailand, 2010-2011*.





Dick Urban Vestbro & Kerstin Kärnekull. Active promoters of '**Cohousing**' (living in a community, 'BiG' in Sweden); all those who actively participated in its construction live in this residence. **Färdknäppen, Estocolmo, Suecia, 1980s.**



Alexander Kudryavtsev. Top left: Author of the design of the **Irkutsk Musical Theatre** in Irkutsk, 1959; and of the **Krasnodar Circus**, 1970 (right); **URSS (Russia today)**.

Igor Voskresensky. Top right: Architectural design of the **Monument** in honour of the **Emperor Alexander II 'The Liberator'** (1818-1881), in 2005 (with sculptor Alexander Rukavishnikov, and artist Sergei Sharov). Right: **Monument** in honour of the musician **Aram Khachaturian** (1903-1978), in 2006 (with sculptor Georgy Frangulyan); **Moscow, Russia**.



Luz María 'Marilou' Sánchez Hurtado. Peruvian architect advocating for the right of the weakest to possess their own land, housing and education.

Marilou shares photos of the community building for which the women made the concrete blocks and the men took care of the construction operations. **San Luis District Public School, Province of Cañete, Southern region of Peru; 2019-2020.**

Some works of three distinguished ARC•PEACE contributors from India, UK and Sweden

Dr. Jai Rattan Bhalla, FIIA, FRIBA, HFAIA, Padma shri Award (1922-2016) was co-founder and director of the firm **Stein, Doshi & Bhalla** until 2001. Co-author of emblematic projects in India in the 1950s and 1960s: *left, India Habitat Center (IHC), Delhi; bottom left: Convention & Conference Center, Srinagar; below: Indian Institute of Management, Bangalore; and the Gulmarg Master Plan, India.*



Jai always advocated a more important role for architects, safeguarding their interests in the construction industry.

As a student, he interacted with **Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Nehru, and Prince Charles**, among other personalities. *"One thing is to design, another to build that design"* was his motto. He is the mentor of the 1972 Architects Act, which led to the formation of the **Council of Architects (COA)**, serving as its president for nearly two decades. Thanks to

this, the graduate diploma was recognized and enabled architects to work in a world previously dominated by engineers.

"Many architecture schools in the country benefited from his advice," said architect **Raj Rewal**.

And COA Vice President **Vijay Garg** said:

"Without Jai, there is no longer such a strong advocate for the profession."

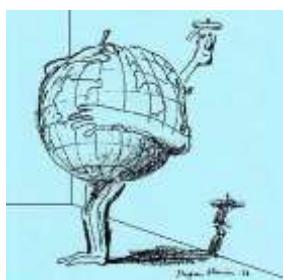


Roderick 'Rod' Peter Hackney. He was a keynote speaker at the bilingual conference held by the NGO in Montreal, 1990. In the 1970s, **Rod Hackney** led a community teaching how to rebuild dilapidated houses without outside help. Four decades later, those homes became highly desirable. *Right: Hackney bet with this dying property on Slater Terrace to make homes and offices. He sought to generate community trust with his move; to such an extent, that he made a bid by locating his own office there. Bottom left: the site already cleared, ready to start the intervention. Bottom right: the urban model finally produced with direct community involvement, Macclesfield, Cheshire, UK, 1970s.*

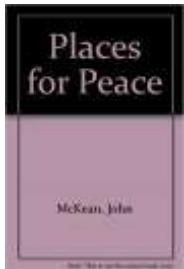


Stefan Alenius. Swedish Doctor, Architect, Technician, Emeritus Professor and teacher in 3 schools of architecture. *Bottom: his symbol to the NGO (IADPPNW), 1988. Left: Stefan worked in connection with the Swedish Pavilion at the Seville World Exhibition, 1992.*

Besides being a researcher, he is the author of books i.e.: *'Villa Lante in your head: catalogue of an exhibition on Villa Lante and the representation of space'*, 1983; *'Architects and surroundings'*, 1986; *'The constructed image of ourselves: Essays'*, 1991; *'The constructed image of space and the order of the world'*, 2017.

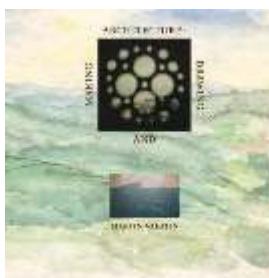


Colleagues from UK, USA, Poland, Czechia and Chile who supported ARC•PEACE's mission



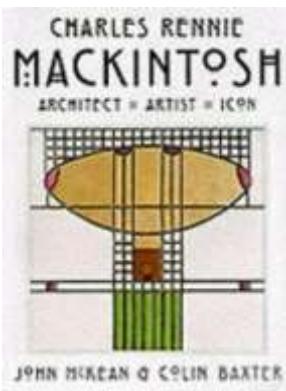
Martin Valatin, was an architectural student member of **Architects for Peace**, 1981, who joined **ARC•PEACE**, UK, 1987. He wrote '**Mortality and architecture**', 1986; and edited '**Places for Peace**' by **John McKean, England**, 1988 (left).

As an architect he advocates for a better quality of life; i.e. **Freight train damage 'costing us millions'**, **Wiltshire Times, 2017** (extreme right). A few years back Martin published '**Architecture: Drawing and Making**', UK, 2019 (right).



John McKean. Born in Scotland, is a British Architect, taught in several Universities, and is a prolific writer on education of architects and designers and very well known for advocating a better quality in drawing and the design process. *Left*: one of his sketches.

John was related to **Architects for Peace** and was an inspirational voice to cofounding members of **ARC•PEACE**. He is the author of dozens of books and critical comments on Architecture and the Arts. *Right*: his biographical work on the Scottish architect **Charles Rennie Mackintosh**, 1998. He published in **The Architects' Journal, Architectural Design, The Architectural Review, Architèse, Building Design, Places, RIBA Journal, Spazio e Società**. He shares his life both in England and Italy.



The American Institute of Architects

Sidney Gilbert, FAIA. Graduated from **Pratt Institute** he worked under **Philip Johnson** and **Edward Larrabee Jones** before starting his own firm. He was a catalyst for the formation of **Architects for Social Responsibility** (ASR), in 1982 later **Architects Designers Planners for Social Responsibility** (ADPSR) a strong supporter for the creation of **ARC•PEACE**.

Sidney urged US colleagues to join the effort against nuclear arms proliferation, and organized exchanges between architects in the USA and the URSS. He was the first Western architect to practice in the former Soviet Union in 1991, and the first and only US professional elected as a member in the **Moscow Union of Architects, Russia**, 1999.



Anna Pawlikowska-Piechotka, PhD Engineering and Architecture from Faculty of Architecture, Warsaw University of Technology, Poland (*left*), where she teaches and researches. **Anna** is also an associate professor at the Institute for Tourism and Recreation at the Warsaw University of Physical Education (*right*), and lectures at universities abroad (**Czech Republic, Spain, Nigeria, Portugal, and Great Britain**).



Ivan Horák. Czech Doctor in Architecture and Engineering, with an office in the capital of his native country, he is one of the participants in the **Prague** historic meeting, 1989, when the **Berlin Wall** fell. *Left*: one of his works in **Czechia**.

Ana Sugranyes. Chilean born, she is an architect from the **ETS, Switzerland** (1972), a doctor from the **TU-Delft, The Netherlands** (2007). After half a century of researching and advising social organizations, housing programs and policies

in **Latin America**, Ana is an expert in urban housing issues, and the current President of **Housing and Land Rights Network (HIC-HLRN), New Delhi, India** (*right*: institutional logo).



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