Organised for the first time this year by the UIA in partnership with UN-Habitat, the UIA 2030 Award recognises and promotes the work of architects which contributes to delivery of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development together with the New Urban Agenda.

The International Union of Architects is committed to supporting delivery of the 17 UN Sustainable Goals, especially SDG11, ‘To make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable’.

As the world enters the Decade of Action to deliver the Global Goals, faced with the challenges of climate change, rapid urbanisation and deepening inequality caused by the impact of Covid-19, there has never been a more important time for architects and built environment professionals to contribute to this pressing global agenda.

We all know that the Global Goals are interdependent and indivisible, and that SDG 11 is the only Goal which connects with all the others so built environment professionals, and design thinking, have an incredibly important role to play to deliver the Decade of Action.

Recognising the time-limited nature of the Goals, the UIA 2030 Award will comprise five biennial award cycles synchronised with the World Urban Forum, the biennial global event organised by UN-Habitat.
José Luis Cortés - President of the International Union of Architects (UIA). A graduate of the Monterrey Institute of Technology, Mexico, with post-graduate degrees in urban planning from the Royal Academy of Fine Arts, Denmark and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), USA, Mr. Cortés is the former President of the Federation of Architects of the Mexican Republic - FCARM (2017-2018). He has served the UIA in different capacities including Region III Vice President and Council Member. He taught urban planning at the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana Campus Xochimilc and at the University of Iberoamerica, where he headed the Department of Architecture and Urban Planning. A visiting professor in India, Japan and Sweden, Mr. Cortés has carried out architectural and urban planning projects for many historic city centres and has authored numerous publications on housing and urban planning. He has received official honours from the governments of Spain and Japan. Mr. Cortés fervently believes that the UIA “can and should demonstrate to society that good architecture has the potential to improve quality of life and that designing healthy, sustainable, safe, inclusive, equitable, diverse, human and beautiful cities results in happiness for all.

Pei Ing Tan is Secretary General of the International Union of Architects (UIA) The first female President of the Malaysian Institute of Architects (PAM), Pei Ing Tan also served as President and is currently an advisor of the Architects Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA). She is also a Member of the Board of Architects Malaysia as well as the Australian Institute of Architects National Committee on Gender Equity (2020-2021) in addition to being an International Chapter Council member. Ms. Tan has served the UIA in various capacities such as Region IV Council member as well as being a member of the Professional Practice Commission and International Women in Architecture committee. Ms. Tan is a strong advocate for social responsibility, diversity, equity and inclusion as well as climate resilience. She was conferred with Honorary and Fellow membership from AIA, KIRA, RAIA, FCARM and MIID and received a number of prestigious awards, such as: The CIDB MCEIA ‘Construction Leading Lady award 2015; Distinguished Australian Alumni Award 2016; Board of Architects Malaysia President’s Award 2017; Malaysian Institute of Architects Gold Medal for Service 2019.

Ishtiaque Zahir Titas is Vice President of the International Union of Architects (UIA) and the Co-founder of Vitti Sthapati Brindo Ltd, a leading practice in Dhaka, Bangladesh. His works have received recognition locally and internationally. He did his post Graduation in Computing & Design in London. He was a Council member of IAB, Honorary Treasurer of ARCASIA, Architects Regional council for Asia and Chairman of ACPP, ARCASIA Committee on Professional Practice. He has been representing the UIA in UN-Habitat, advocating on professionals interests in the New Urban Agenda (NUA). As Co-Chair PCG Professionals, GAP, on behalf of UIA, he made official statement at the 7th plenary meeting of Habitat III, in Quito, 2016. He worked as Policy UNIT expert for Habitat III conference 2016 by UN-Habitat. He was also the Council member of UIA Region IV (2017-2021).
**Laura Petrella** is presently Senior Inter-Agency Advisor at UN-Habitat. Until recently she was the Chief of the Planning, Finance and Economy Section at UN-Habitat and has been leading UN-Habitat work on Urban Planning and Design since 2012. Since 2018 she is also the focal point for Professionals and for the Habitat Professionals Forum. She is an architect and urban planner trained in Italy. She was in charge of UN-Habitat’s Safer Cities Programme from 2002 to 2010. Earlier she worked on slum upgrading, land security and environmental planning and management. She now follows inter-agencies processes and contributes to UN policy and strategies from the urban perspective, focusing on SDG 11 and the New Urban Agenda implementation. She has direct experience in project management, capacity development for local authorities and in the management of local planning processes and local consultations. During her career she has advised and collaborated with local and national governments, civil society and academia in all regions.

**Anna Rubbo** was a juror for the first edition of the UIA 2030 Award. She is an architect and professor at the Columbia Climate School Center for Sustainable Urban Development. A member of the UN Millennium Project Task Force on Improving the Lives of Slum Dwellers (2002-04), Anna went on to lead the Global Studio, an action research project to assist urban professionals to work effectively with the urban poor. The program attracted over 600 students, academics and professionals from 66 universities and over 30 countries to its conferences and programs in Istanbul (2005), Vancouver (2006), Johannesburg (2007-09), and Bhopal (2012). Global Studio was exhibited at the UN General Assembly (2005), Customs House, Sydney (2008), and the International Architecture Biennale in Rotterdam (2009). Global Studio became a World Urban Campaign partner in 2013. Since 2006, Rubbo has mounted eight events at UN World Urban Forums (WUF).

**Ramu Aliyu** is a juror for the first edition of the UIA 2030 Award. A member of the International Union of Architects (UIA)’s International Competitions Commission (ICC) and the UIA Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Commission, she is a founding principal of Planned Consult, an architectural firm, and managing director/Chief Executive Officer of Planned Shelter Limited. A Fellow of the Nigeria Institute of Architects (NIA), member of the Architects Registration Council of Nigeria (Arcon), she has served as Chair of the Abuja Chapter of the Nigerian Institute of Architects. She is an expert on Sustainable Development and Sustainable Communities Design, Development, and management with a particular interest in the Built Environment, Developing World and Abuja, Nigeria.

**Bohdan Biś Lisowski** is a member of the Council of the International Union of Architects from Region II. He is a graduate of the Faculty of Architecture at Cracow University of Technology. He is an academic teacher and lecturer and has been the President of Association of Polish Architects (SARP) since 2019. He has co-organised exhibitions on Polish architecture, including the International Biennale of Architecture (MBA) in Krakow 2015, 2017 and 2019. He advocates working from the ground up, building relationships, and creating an inclusive environment.
Peter Oborn, jury member for the first UIA 2030 Prize, and member of the International Union of Architects (UIA)'s Sustainable Development Goals Commission, has served as Vice President of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) and co-founded the UK Built Environment Advisory Group to provide an effective interface between built environment professionals, humanitarian agencies, development partners and other key stakeholder groups. As President-Elect at the Commonwealth Association of Architects, Peter was lead author of the Survey of the Built Environment Professions in the Commonwealth the findings of which have informed the development of a Call to Action on Sustainable Urbanisation across the Commonwealth.