



RWANDA
ARCHITECTURE
WEEK

2021



Kigali - Rwanda
09 -13th December, 2021

Hosted by



Rwanda Institute of Architects

Theme:

"Promoting well-founded professional interventions
in the face of green emergency agenda in the built environment"



Promote

Explore

Learn

Network

RWANDA INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

Since its establishment in 2012, the Rwanda Institute of Architects has upheld a primary mission of regulating, scaling and promoting core values of the profession of Architecture in Rwanda. We aim at deepening the understanding of the discipline and raising the awareness of the profession. This is done through fostering and stimulating outstanding and ethical practices among architecture practitioners and Allied design professionals.

In the 27 years that Rwanda has been rebuilding, the Institute has played a key role in providing technical advice, professional development trainings and coaching to its members and allied professionals in different settings. We look forward to creating skillful and reputable Architecture professionals who can cope with the current market needs and significantly contribute to the rapid urban growth that our cities face, by creating adequate and functional places where people live, learn, work, pray and play.

The community of Architects in Rwanda proficiently designs spaces that heal us and production places that sustain us. We create the next generation of environmentally friendly and energy-saving buildings to make our communities healthier, safer, sustainable and wealthier. Architects work with clients, allied design professionals and construction partners to improve the built environment in one of the fastest growing economies in the world.

RIA's contribution in the overall growth and success initiatives of the country is enormous. We play a part in the design and construction of major infrastructure that promotes and provides for the good culture of doing business at ease countrywide; from residential, healthcare, commercial, public, industrial, landscape, interior design, green technologies and material innovations.

Now more than ever, the collective voice of architects and allied professionals is essential for designing a better future for our country, the region and for the entire planet as a whole. We stay true to our mission and values at all cost and stand at the front line with our partners in different strata; from policymakers to private sector actors who are committed to a better built-environment and a prosperous architectural profession.

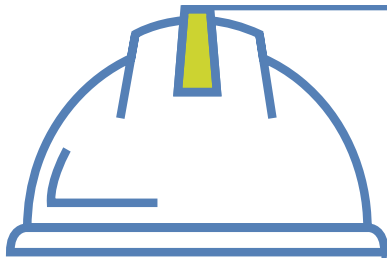
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EVENT OBJECTIVES

This one of a kind event spanning a week will address three different categories of participants as follows;

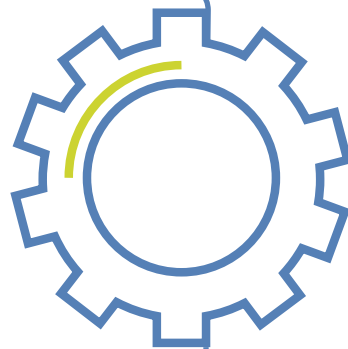


1. Architectural professionals

- Showcasing and tracking trends of the profession and its growing community
- Showcasing what the architectural community has accomplished in Rwanda and looking toward the future of our profession vis a vis to affiliated emergencies
- Evaluating the impact architects and allied design professionals have had on the economic development of Rwanda
- Bringing together architectural practitioners and partners to study, exhibit and present good practices both within and outside Rwanda
- Recognizing and rewarding best practices and innovations

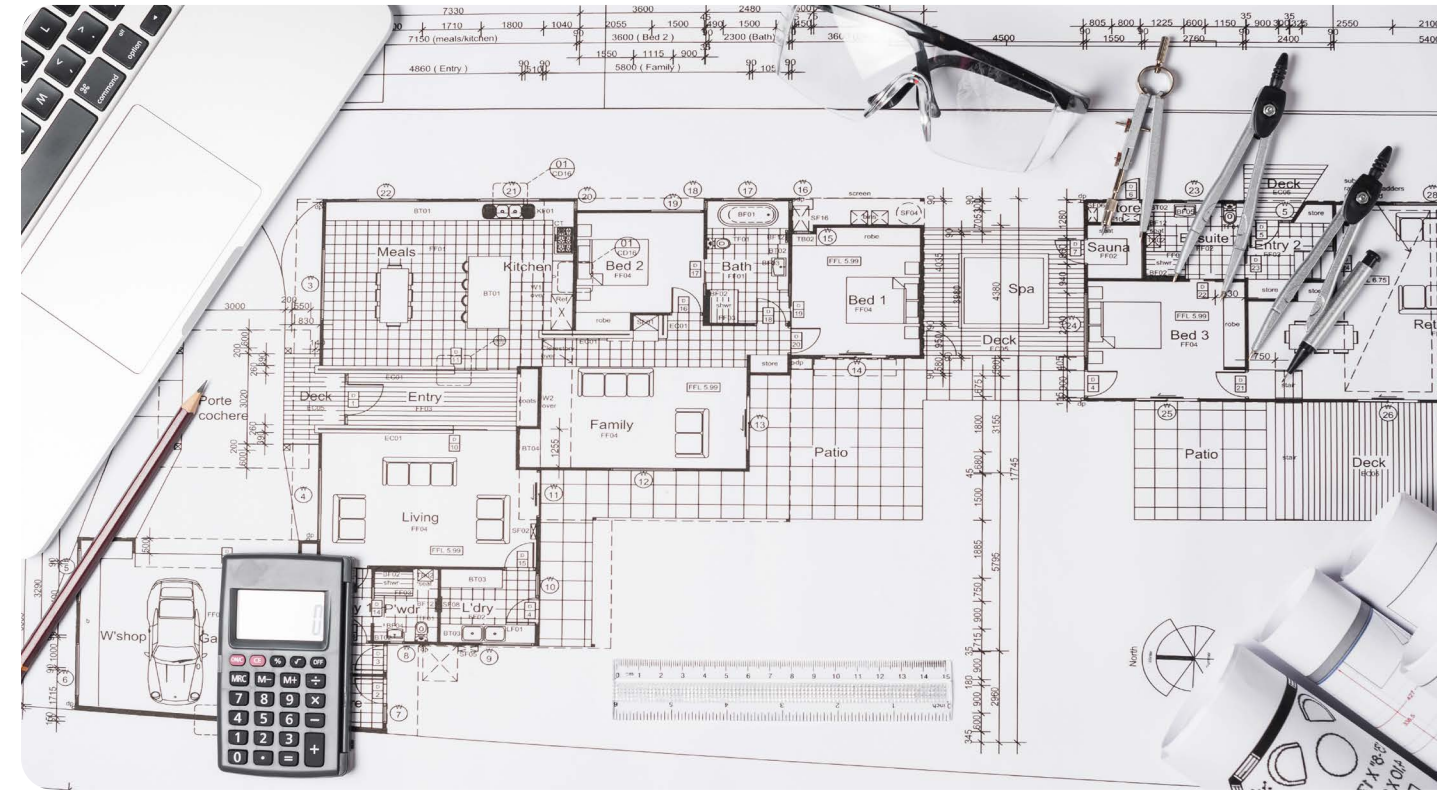
2. Manufacturers, innovators and other industry players

- Exhibiting and showcasing the global use and innovation of construction materials
- Deliberating on creating a center of research on construction materials to carry out exploration and development of what can be done better
- Showcasing what has worked so far with regards to choice and application
- Learning from others through visual and precedential means, namely;
 - Architectural projects exhibition
 - Construction material production, performance, use, market & supply chain
 - Advanced software technology in building systems
 - An exhibition featuring School of Architecture students and academia



3. Public outreach

- Raising awareness of the public and advocacy on the profession of architecture and allied professions
- Addressing the public's expectations of architects and allied design practitioners.

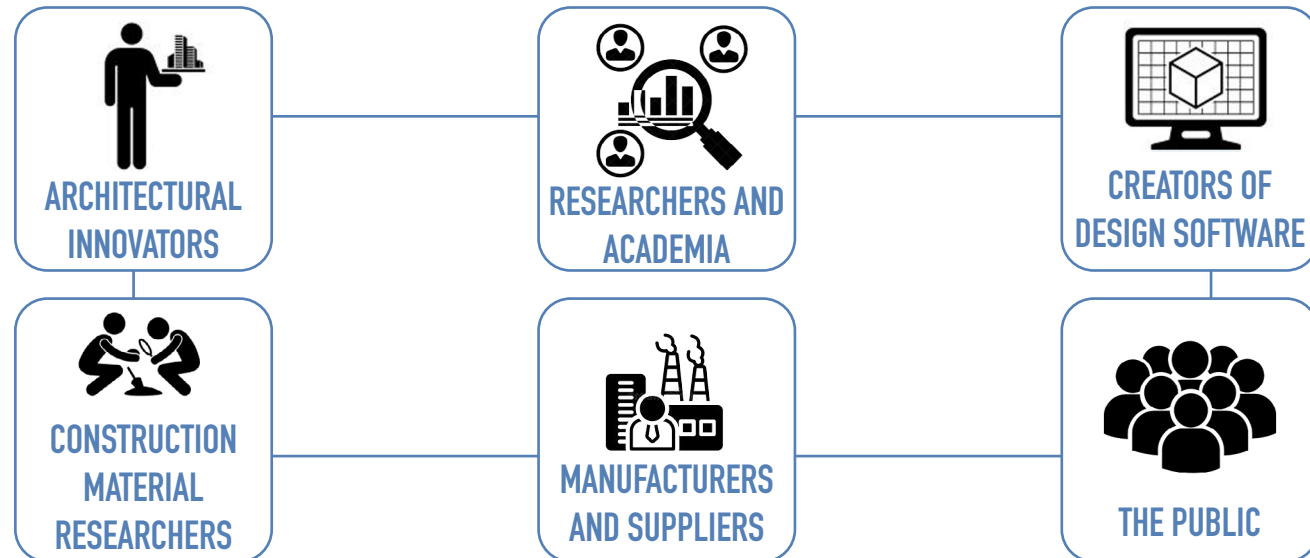


A BRIEF EVENT DESCRIPTION

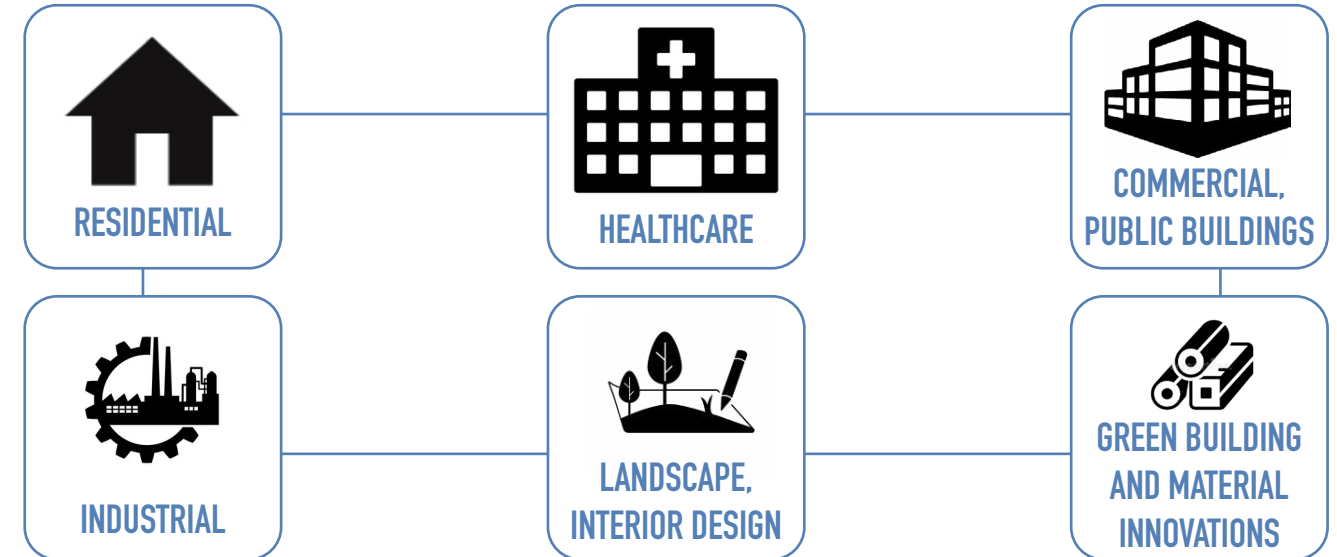
This week-long event will be a showcase of the journey of the profession of architecture and allied professionals in Rwanda over the last 27 years, involving local, regional and international practitioners, architectural innovators, researchers and academia, creators of design software, construction material researchers, manufacturers and suppliers as well as the public. We shall be taking stock of the achievements made so far and the contribution that our profession has made to the trends of the country's urban development and Rwanda's economic growth as a whole. The event will also serve to raise the public awareness on the role of the architectural profession and its role in the built environment, as well as addressing the expectations that members of the public have of architects. It will be a time to celebrate and reward architectural excellence as we hope to inspire growth in the profession in different settings.

This event will happen as a continuation of the HABITAT month of October in order to shade light on the role that the institute's members and partnering professionals have played in the country's rebuilding process since 1994.

This is an annual based event and it brings on-board stakeholders who are interested in fast-tracking the milestones of urban development in Rwanda vis-à-vis to the role of architects and allied professionals. This will result in the creation of a national archive platform that will serve to document and effectively inform the public on Rwanda's urban development trends.



PARTICIPATION



The event will be open to all stakeholders involved in the built environment. The event will feature local, regional and international professionals who've designed / worked on buildings or any other type of architectural masterpieces in Rwanda or abroad. We shall feature practitioners who would like to present on innovative architectural project done in their respective countries, to share their expertise on new architectural concepts, design approaches, building costing or and other innovations in different building categories; **residential, healthcare, commercial, public buildings, industrial, landscape, interior design, green building and material innovations.**

Participants to the event will include representatives from local governments, private sectors and civil societies at the national, regional and global level. representatives from sister associations, international organizations, donors, academia, research expert and training institutes.

We shall also host manufacturers and suppliers in the construction industry and they will have a unique opportunity to exhibit, promote and market products during the event, showcasing the performance of their products or services side by side with some featured showcase building(s) in Rwanda. They will be given time to present and introduce avant-garde materials that are emerging in the Rwandan market, and interact with the largest and most reputable community of professionals in the built industry.

Members of the public will be hosted to a live TV and radio show in which they will engage the architectural community in seeking clarity on the role that our members play from the initiation of a construction project up to the execution level on-site, as well as the function and importance of the planning tools like the master plan and others in developing the city skyline.

The institute will join efforts with key partners in carrying out joint site inspections in a bid to promote the significance of professional compliance and ethical practice. A series of events is lined up in the course of the week as indicated in the itinerary below.

Throughout the week, a jury of handpicked practitioners will adjudicate on exhibitions featuring projects executed by seasoned local, regional and international architects, as well as an academic exhibition prepared by the University of Rwanda – School of Architecture. This will culminate in an award ceremony later in the week.

The event will maintain gender parity in terms of women and youth participation, while presenting unprecedented networking opportunities for players in the built industry in Rwanda and the region.



EVENT ITINERARY

Day	Time of Session	Activity
09th December	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening Ceremony by the guest of Honor Keynote speeches by RIA Leadership, key partners and key representatives of sister institutions in the region
		Lunch
		<p style="text-align: center;">Presentations & Research Papers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous Professional Development (CPD) on "Promoting professional practices in the face of the post-pandemic digital shift and action to green emergency" Fostering well-founded interventions in the Built Environment as an impactful route to pandemic recovery" Bridging the gap between the traditional education model in the face of the new digital era (virtual classes) in the built environment Improved work environment to meet new delivery expectations The renewed role of professionals in the built environment in the wake of a global pandemic crisis and a revamped customer outreach approach as a route to recovery actions Sustainable actions as a new way of life (Sustainable and smart cities) a case study of Kigali built environment Use of integrated design and building systems as a transition to the emerging advanced digital era in the built environment (BIM, Climate and cost analysis, Design advanced technologies) Professional Service delivery, Client outreach perspectives, use of client awareness as sensors and customer experience and insights to improve operations and business performance Shaping the skyline of Kigali's first CBD/ our role, precedents and project experience
	Afternoon	



Professional Training and Workshop		
10th December	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BIM New design and construction technologies Green Building innovations
Lunch		
	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green Urban Development Agenda (Kigali city & SCs) Affordable housing policy and access to finance frameworks
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sponsor Dinner



11th December	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rwanda Institute of Architects general discussions on practice and groups thematic analysis on the overall development and practical interventions on the regulatory framework (open to RIA members only/ All chapters)_Mini AGM
Lunch		
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gala Dinner
Exploration, Networking & Media Broadcasting Show		
12th December	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Car free day sport Visit to key construction projects, key partners in Government Institutions, Materials manufacturers, industry and Firms
Lunch		
	Afternoon	<p>Live TV show-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The role of complying professionals in the implementation of integrated urban development strategy for the city of Kigali & SCs (urban development and masterplan implementation) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Architects Quantity surveyors Urban Planners and Designers Interior designers Land Economist and Surveyors <p>Radio shows</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional Architects & Architectural service delivery in Rwanda. "The importance of legal practices and problematics of illegal practice vis a vis to the code of practice and client's interests safeguard"
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exhibition Visit



Architectural Education Day		
13th December	Morning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting with the teaching staff / RIA team & School of Architecture & Built Environment Mentorship workshop / Student Association
Lunch		
	Afternoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic Exhibition, outstanding students thesis presentations
	Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UR School of Architecture campus visit Closing dinner



RWANDA ARCHITECTURE WEEK SPONSORSHIP AREAS



ACTIVITY BUDGET

ACTIVITY BUDGET	AMOUNT in RWF (Million)
1. Event Venues	8.5
2. Architectural Exhibition	3.6
3. Professional trainings	4.5
4. Architecture competition and awards	3.5
5. Kigali architecture tour, peer industry visits and site inspections	2.5
GRAND TOTAL	21.6 MILLIONS

ACCOUNT DETAILS

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