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Dear AIA Hong Kong Members,

Greetings and best wishes for the New Year!

The AIA HK Chapter enters 2009 buzzing with new ideas for programs, seminars, speakers and events under the overall focus of SUSTAINABILITY. We are talking with global and local experts; searching among our resources here in the Chapter's region to bring technical expertise, case studies, detail discussions, rating system clarification and ultimately hoping to work together to find new transformational design approaches in which sustainability is not additive but is generative.

We plan to build on the well received Urban Design; LEED & BIM workshops of 2008 in Hong Kong and China, to continue to raise awareness, share further resources and provide venues to promote members' work. To further serve our extended regional area and membership needs, we have established new Committee Co-Chairs. It is my honor and pleasure to announce to you the new Chapter officers for 2009, as follows:

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The 2009 officers and committee chairs represent a cross-section of our membership, combining some new faces with some previously active members as we strive to enhance the breadth and depth of our programs to encompass design, technical and practice issues across Urban Design, Architecture, Interior Architecture and Sustainable Design in Hong Kong, China and the region.

We are in the process of formulating an exciting program of events for 2009, to build upon the contacts and relationships we have developed over the past years. We look forward to developing and enhancing our cooperation with aligned organizations such as **HKIA** and the Urban Land Institute (**ULI**) among many others, and to strengthening our collaboration with other AIA components - especially those international chapters in the **UK, Continental Europe, and Japan**, as well as the **Northwest & Pacific Region**, to endeavour to ensure that the needs and concerns of all of our members working abroad are represented within AIA nationally and globally. To do so, we will also be communicating closely with our **International Director, Prof. Ralph Lerner, FAIA**.

We are reinstating the **HK Brown Bag Lunch CES Seminars** and growing our after work **Technical CES Seminars** in Shanghai and the Chapter's region. The benefit of these small scale platforms is that they allow for presentations and true round table discussions of new products, materials, technologies, topic workshops and more. We hope to utilize **GoToMeeting** and other interface options to make events available to members around the region and are currently filling in the seminar schedule. We are also continuing to organize **lectures, tours and "LU Weekend"** events to give members varied options toward earning required Learning Units (LU's). We look forward to seeing you at these gatherings soon and would ask that you please let us know not only what you are interested in learning, but if you have something that you would like to share!

The success of our Chapter truly relies on the active participation and support of all of our membership. Please watch for an **email survey** that will be coming soon to let us know which specific seminars and events would be of most interest to you and which international issues are most relevant to your practice and needs. Please respond to our survey, call or write with ideas and come join us. Your input, suggestions and participation are essential, so please contact our Chapter Office to share your ideas and volunteer your support and participation.

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We look forward to a successful year of global learning and adventure for the AIA and our Chapter!

Sincerely,

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