



AIA Hong Kong

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WELCOME LETTER from our 2012 AIA Hong Kong President: Dr. Christine E. Bruckner, FAIA

Happy New Year 2012

Best Wishes for Peace, Health, Prosperity and Joy.

It is an honor to be here to serve the Chapter in the coming year and I need all of your help to do it well.

Please make sure to [renew](#) and get involved today. The AIA Hong Kong is a member-run organization and the more involvement the better. If you have an idea for a workshop, speaker or are inspired by a recent event, please share with us right away as this is the time of planning and opportunity.

We have some stellar speakers lined up already and hope to work together to create a series of vibrant, fun and meaningful events this year that promote design excellence, best practice and public awareness of issues of the built environment.

In our chapter, we have many opportunities to get involved and many excellent committees and colleagues working together to cover events, communications, environmental awareness, professional practice, honors and awards, publications and more. There are increasing opportunities for member visibility and the ever-encouraging search to recognize individuals and organizations in our midst who are 'fighting the good fight' to build a better world in our region.

We continue our four-year strong focus on sustainability: exploring aspects of environmentally responsible design; innovative and green materials; new construction methods and techniques; methods for renewal; reuse and resource reduction; infrastructure studies; social and community improvements; and urban revitalization through sustainable, livable development. As always, we take the definition further to include both the focus on sustaining and improving the value of architecture to community and sustaining design excellence, best practice and transparency throughout the profession.

So, get ready to join our coming tours, workshops and events. Earn more Learning Units than ever, make new friends and strengthen existing relationships. Most of all, get involved and have fun. Together, we can continue to strengthen the AIA in our region to serve as a leadership platform as we bring together experts from all over and collaborate with institutes, organizations, universities and government representatives.

Finally, as we kick off the New Year, let's try to visualize the world we want to live in and build it together!

Best wishes for a fabulous 2012.

Sincerely,

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