



## PRESIDENT'S PEN

Dear Colleagues/ Corporate Members

In July you received your Pro Forma invoice for annual subscriptions for the 2020/21 financial year, which included a 20% discount applied to the SAIA-National component if payment was received by 31 August 2020. I wish to thank those members who responded with timely payments. After careful consideration we have decided to extend the deadline until 25 September 2020 in hope that this will lighten the load for our members.

As membership remains a challenge across all regions, we took note of PIA's recruitment initiative and decided to introduce a similar incentive, and improve on it. Our offer to you is 25% off your SAIA-EC membership fees for every new member recruited. SAIA-EC will credit you once the new member's payment reflects in our account. Four new members and your membership for 2020/2021 is on us.

NMU Procurement

You will recall my e-mail dated 30 June 2020 in respect of the NMU bid document and my mention of a meeting with SAIA-EC to discuss the procurement of architectural services for future projects. We have had two meetings since and can report good progress made to align the larger projects with some elements of SAIA single stage competitions. Agenda items included anonymity, cost effectiveness (limiting information required and time spent), short time span and jury to include external architects (preferably non-participating SAIA-EC members). We acknowledge there will be differences of opinion, but take into account that NMU has reached out to SAIA-EC with the view of building a strong relationship and developing the procurement program going forward. In September we will distribute the bid notice for the next NMU project to our members and will support participation.

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"As an architect you design for the present, with an awareness of the past for a future which is essentially unknown"

Norman Foster

## WOMEN IN ARCHITECTURE



16 WOMEN BREAKING NEW GROUND IN ARCHITECTURE

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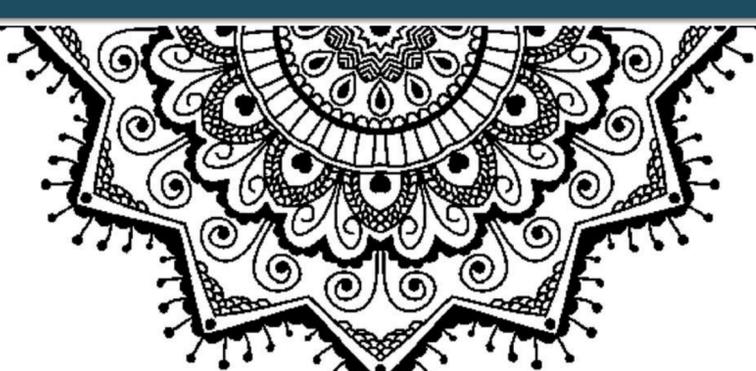


6 INITIATIVES THAT EMPOWER WOMEN IN THE ARCHITECTURAL AND CONSTRUCTION SECTORS

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A WOMEN-IN-ARCHITECTURE EVENT

DATE: 10 September 2020  
TIME: 15h00  
VENUE: Zoom online platform  
RSVP: Kara Delport at [saiaec@iafrica.com](mailto:saiaec@iafrica.com) by Wednesday, 2 September 2020



## COMPETITIONS:

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**SUSTAINABLE DESIGN NEWS**

DESIGNING FOR SUSTAINABILITY

## NEWS:

### SAIA INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT KATE OTTEN

On Thursday, 13 August 2020 SAIA held its Presidential Inauguration of Kate Otten online via Zoom. The event was well organised and attended by local and international guests.

As the event could only be attended by a limited number of guests, SAIA has made available the video of the online inauguration for all to watch. Also included, Mthembeni Mkhize's, SAIA CEO, speech from the evening.

**Currently new SAIA Office Bearers:**  
President, Kate Otten  
Treasurer, Cecilia Janse van Rensburg  
Vice-President, Ruben Reddy  
Immediate Past President, Luyanda Mpahlwa

Thank you once again to distinguished SAIA members, organizers of the event, guests who were in attendance, our partners and stakeholder.

Wishing all members, a season filled with much rejuvenation and success.

[Presidential Inauguration 2020 Video](#)

[SAIA CEO Presidential Inauguration Speech](#)



### WE'VE MOVED. NEW SAIA NATIONAL OFFICE

On 31 July 2020, the SAIA National Office vacated Blue Wizard Park, previously known as Bouhof Building in Randburg. This move comes after 19 years SAIA had been based in Robindale, Randburg.

Due to the COVID-19 government lockdown levels and restrictions over the last 130 plus days, the SAIA national office staff are still working from home and will soon occupy the new office once the unpacking is complete.

Members calling in to the office may experience connectivity landline issues during this period of setting up the office. In this event, feel free to send an email to any of the below email addresses which relate to your query.

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Emails sent to any of the above will be dealt with as soon as possible. If everything develops according to plan, and depending on the local regulations, the new office will be open to members from 01 September 2020.

New Office Address  
Design District Building, 3rd Floor  
Cnr Tyrnwhitt Avenue & Keyes Avenue  
Rosebank  
Johannesburg

We look forward to opening our doors to the membership, the public and our stakeholders in the building industry.



Design District Building

## NICK BOOTH APPOINTED NEW CEO OF COROBRIK

SA brick maker Corobrik has named Nick Booth as its new CEO, with Dirk Meyer appointed the company's new COO. Corobrik chairman Peter du Treou said that changes had been made for strategic business reasons and would enable the company to draw on the individual strengths of the two highly experienced business leaders.

"Our two top executives go back a long way and have worked exceptionally well together side by side over the past three years. At times such as these, it is important for a business like Corobrik to draw on the expertise of its executives to ensure the best interests of customers, staff and shareholders are served. They make a great team and share an underlying trust that will take Corobrik confidently into the future," du Treou said.

Booth will draw on his retail skills as well as his commercial and marketing background gleaned during his career in various building materials suppliers, as well as head of Italtile, to steer the company through any turbulence en route to the country's economic recovery post the Covid-19 lockdown.

Booth said that Meyer's strong engineering background and production expertise is expected to not only facilitate the commissioning of the new R800m Driefontein facility but also continue Corobrik's investment focus with the building of a new facility in Durban.



L-R: Nick Booth, CEO, and Dirk Meyer, COO, Corobrik

## CPD OPPORTUNITIES:

Click on this link for any of the below lectures: <https://www.wits.ac.za/archplan/events/>

### 2020 BAS HONOURS LECTURE SERIES PROJECT OBJECTIVES + DESIGN METHODOLOGY



*Impressions and insights from architects, landscape architects, design engineers and urbanists*

#### TOPICS AND PURPOSE

The focus of the lecture series is primarily on the **design methodologies** applied by professionals in different fields and working in varying scales of projects/research in the built environment. A secondary theme focuses on the **'Nature of Universities'** and the future of education and research in the higher education sector. The aim is to provide a framework for discussion on the future of the university and its architecture to enable improved teaching, learning and knowledge exchange.

<b>Jessica Thompson</b> LHA+Ud <a href="http://www.ludwighansen.co.za">www.ludwighansen.co.za</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>19/7</b>	<b>Kate Otten</b> Kate Otten Architects <a href="http://www.kateottenarchitects.com">www.kateottenarchitects.com</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>07/9</b>
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<b>Vedhant Maharaj</b> Rebel Base Collective <a href="http://www.rebelbase.camp">www.rebelbase.camp</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>03/8</b>	<b>Cohen Garson Architects</b> Nina Cohen & Fiona Garson <a href="http://www.cohengarson.co.za">www.cohengarson.co.za</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>17/9</b>
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<b>Mphethi Morejele</b> MMA Architects <a href="http://www.mmastudio.co.za">www.mmastudio.co.za</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>13/8</b>	<b>Neal Schoof</b> Insite Group <a href="http://www.insitegroup.co.za">www.insitegroup.co.za</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>01/10</b>
<b>Craig McClenaghan</b> Craig McClenaghan Architects <a href="http://www.csmarchitecture.co.za">www.csmarchitecture.co.za</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>17/8</b>	<b>Nisha van der Hoven</b> FuturePart & Workshop17 <a href="http://www.futurepart.co.za">www.futurepart.co.za</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>05/10</b>
<b>Andrew Makin</b> Design Workshop <a href="http://www.designworkshop.co.za/about">www.designworkshop.co.za/about</a> Click for Live LINK @ 14:00 - 15:00	<b>20/8</b>	<b>Ludwig Hansen</b> Wits 2020 Lecture Series Synopsis <a href="http://www.ludwighansen.co.za">www.ludwighansen.co.za</a> Click for Live LINK @ 10:00 - 11:00	<b>26/10</b>

0.15 CPD points / lecture

[www.wits.ac.za/archplan/](http://www.wits.ac.za/archplan/)

## INTERESTING LINKS:

### INSIDE THE HOMES OF EIGHT FAMOUS ARCHITECTS

It's a cliché that architects have messy workspaces. From chaos comes creation, so the phrase goes. But an upcoming exhibition at this year's Salone del Mobile intends to dispel the myth. Studio Mumbai. Curator Francesca Molteni interviewed each of the designers in their private homes and came away with one finding: architects are actually quite tidy. The studios are all pristinely ordered; books are neatly stowed away, figurines and objets astutely displayed, and table tops swept clean. The photographs below are part of the exhibition materials, produced with the help of scenographer Davide Pizzigoni, which faithfully document the physical environments in images, video, and audio. These will be used to recreate the architects' "rooms" at Salone del Mobile in April.

The concept of Design for Disassembly (DfD for short) gained increasing traction in recent years, as it addresses the growing concern around the high of resources and low recycling rate within the construction consumption industry. The following article details on the method and features guidelines for a design process that facilitates the dismantlement of future buildings, with the scope of providing a better understanding of this principle within the broader framework of the current practice and circular economy.

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### 32 ON KLOOF BY DHK IS A HYBRID OF HERITAGE AND CONTEMPORARY ARCHITECTURE

132 on Kloof, a heritage building situated along popular Kloof Street in Cape Town, has undergone a metamorphosis. Originally constructed in 1922 by prominent architecture firm Parker & Forsyth for the United Tobacco Companies Limited (UTC), the building once housed the company's administration department. Transformed by multidisciplinary design studio, dhk Architects, 32 on Kloof's rich history has been respected via a contemporary aesthetic that references, rather than replicates, its existing heritage.

UTC, a South African subsidiary of the United Kingdom's Imperial Tobacco Company and the United States' American Tobacco Company, was founded in 1904. Shortly thereafter,

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### 6 UNESCO CULTURAL SITES VIRTUALLY REBUILT IN GIFS

Budget Direct and NeoMam Studios, a creative studio based in the UK, have created a series of animated gifs restoring 6 UNESCO cultural sites and showcasing how these ruins would have looked like if they had been preserved. Bringing to life endangered sites, the project includes the recently destroyed ruins of Palmyra in Syria and Hatra in Iraq, demolished by ISIS in 2015.

Drawing attention to sites at risk, significant to "all the peoples of the world", the project aims to globalize information and give everyone the opportunity to witness these spaces virtually. In fact, six ruined sites were digitally restored to their former glory, through gifs. According to the developers of the initiative...

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