

## UIA Public Health Work Group Director's Update



Adjunct Professor Warren Kerr

### UIA PHG Seminars

Following on the success of our Seminar in London in June this year, I am delighted that we have the opportunity to meet again in Sydney Australia between 27-29 September this year. For those interested in attending this Seminar please note the details posted later in this Newsletter.

I also wish to draw your attention to next year's annual Seminar which is scheduled to be held in Paris between 29-31 May 2018. This Seminar is being billed as "one not to miss" based on all the planning work already undertaken by a hard-working team led by the Official Member from France Thomas Schinko and David Entibi. Again, further details are provided later in this Newsletter.

### Leadership Transition

As this will be my last Newsletter as the Director of the UIA Public Health Work Group, I wish to thank all those who have supported me in undertaking this honorary role, especially my predecessor Professor George Mann, the Director-Designate Cliff Harvey and Dr Zhipeng Lu who has been instrumental in organizing our highly successful student design competitions

During this period, we have also maintained our strong relationship with the World Health Organization (WHO) and the International Hospitals Federation (IHF) due to the dedicated work of former Director, Hans Eggen who has been responsible for our liaison with these two important organizations.

Due to Hans' fine work, during 2016 the World Health Organization took a formal decision to maintain their official relationship with the UIA and the UIA PHG as part of their 3-year review of relationships with Non-Government Organizations (NGOs). As a result, the UIA PHG will continue to provide the formal channel of communication at an international level between the world's architects and the World Health Organization.

I also wish to place on record my thanks to the two Honorary Secretaries of the UIA PHG who have served with distinction during my term as the Director of the UIA PHG. Firstly, to Janice Axon who fulfilled the role of Honorary Secretary for an incredible term of 30 years until 2015 when Philip Patrick Sun agreed to act in this role during Janice's period of incapacitation.

One other member of the UIA PHG Executive who has played an invaluable role is Romano Del Nord, the Official Member from Italy who has organised for the publication of all presentations from each of the Seminars during my term as the Director and for many years prior.



### **Vale Romano Del Nord (1947-2017)**

It was therefore with deep regret that we learnt Romano had passed away weeks before the 2017 annual UIA PHG Seminar held in London. Romano was an indispensable member of the International Union of Architects Public Health Group in his role as a contributor, adviser, mentor and publisher of each of the UIA PHG's annual Seminars. All members of our work group were impressed by Romano's intelligence, wisdom, knowledge, elegance, culture, courtesy, diligence, respect and good humour.

As the host and organiser of our Seminar in Florence in June 2008, Romano created a new benchmark for our annual meeting with a wonderful mixture of historic venues, international speakers, elegant hospitality and insightful presentations faultlessly delivered in his own understated way.

Romano always gave the impression that nothing was too much trouble, especially when it involved the pursuit of excellence. His subtle sense of humour always gave us the feeling that only he knew the answer to many of life's complexities and especially those that pertained to the planning and design of health facilities. His quiet thoughtful manner made us all believe that only after we had fully investigated any issue, would he reveal the obvious answer. A teacher to the last, I am sure that he believed it would be best for us to discover the truth ourselves.

As we gathered in London during June for the first UIA PHG Seminar for many years without Romano's guiding presence, we all lamented the passing of such a font of knowledge in our specialized field of health facility planning and design.

## **Young Leaders Group**

While we remember the contributions of past members, we must also encourage new members to join and to contribute to our professional activities. I therefore wish to record my thanks and appreciation to Professor Zhipeng Lu and to Giuseppe Lacanna for establishing the UIA PHG Young Leaders Group. Hopefully with the increasing availability of video-conferencing, this Group will grow and flourish in future years.

## **LinkedIn Group**

I also wish to record my thanks and appreciation to Astrid Maria Debuchy for the time and effort she has contributed to establishing the UIA PHG LinkedIn Group. It also has the potential to become a major means of communication between members of the UIA PHG.

## **History of the UIA PHG**

Given the ever-changing membership of our Group, it is important to record the history of the UIA PHG as we go. Therefore, during my term as the Director, I have attempted to document the history of the UIA PHG over the last 60 years. This is almost complete, but will require review before being uploaded to our website. A draft will be distributed to Official Members next month for checking and feedback on the accuracy of dates and locations.

## **Website**

During my term as the Director, I have also endeavoured to continue the excellent work commenced by Professor George Mann to update and refresh our website. The potential is there to significantly expand its usefulness to members and I am currently working with Cliff Harvey to arrange for the transition from the Australian Institute of Architects to the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada.

## **Future Seminars**

To enable members to plan and schedule their attendance at future Seminars of the UIA PHG, during my term as the Director, I have been keen to facilitate arrangements for future Seminars and Meetings in the years ahead.

I am therefore delighted to announce that plans are well advanced for UIA PHG Seminars and GUPHA meetings to be held in the following locations in the future:

- September 2017 – Sydney, Australia
- 2018 – Paris, France
- 2020 – Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Both Cliff Harvey and I would welcome suggestions and nominations for 2019 and 2021.



Cliff Harvey, MSc (HQ), OAA FRAIC

### **New Director**

Next month, when the International Union of Architects meets for its triennial Congress in Seoul Korea between 3-10 September 2017, our Director-Designate Cliff Harvey will be formally inaugurated as the new Director of our Work Group, following the election conducted for this position at the UIA PHG Annual Meeting held in Dalian China in May 2015.

Cliff is well-known to many members of the UIA PHG due to his excellent work in organising our Seminar in Toronto in 2013 and in his role as Director-Designate since May 2015. His passion for design and health has led him to be involved in over 100+ projects, and to be instrumental in the formation of two Canadian academic programs focused on design and health. Cliff's experiences include being Senior Architect with the Ontario Ministry of Health, a Hospital Vice President, and a practising Architect.

I wish to thank Cliff for all his efforts in organising the program for the 2017 Seminar in London and look forward to working with him to make his term in his new role another success for the UIA PHG.

**Adjunct Professor Warren Kerr AM**  
**Director UIA Public Health Work Group**

### **Annual Seminar Update: London June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Another successful UIA-PHG Annual Seminar Annual Meeting was conducted in London, on June 11<sup>th</sup> the day before European Healthcare Design 2017 which was held 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> June in the Royal College of Physicians in London.

While the UIA PHG Executive wishes to thank all those responsible for the conduct of another successful annual Seminar, we wish to especially thank to Katie Wood from Arup for offering the use of Arup's London conference for this purpose. We would also like to thank Marc Sansom and the Salus Global Exchange for their support and assistance in organizing this event.

A full list of the presentations and abstracts of each presentation will shortly be uploaded to the UIA PHG website.

## **UIA PHG 2017 Annual Meeting, London, UK**

The acting Honorary Secretary of the UIA PHG, Philip Patrick Sun is currently compiling the minutes of the 2017 Annual Meeting of the UIA PHG and these will also shortly be uploaded to the UIA PHG website. If you were not able to be in London for this our annual meeting please read through these minutes when they are available to ensure you are fully informed about the activities of our group.

## **UIA-PHG Seminar in Sydney, Australia** September 27-29, 2017

For many years, members of the UIA PHG have requested that Australia be considered as the location of UIA PHG seminar. However, each time an Australian venue has been suggested, for various reasons it has not been possible to proceed – until now.

Last year with the support of the Australian Institute of Architects and the Australasian College of Health Service Management arrangements have been made for the UIA PHG to hold a Seminar in conjunction with the annual Congress of the Australasian College of Health Service Management, which will be held this year in 27-29 September in Sydney.

The theme for the Congress is: ***The Winds of Change – Adjust Your Sails***

For the presentations on health facility planning and design, this has been interpreted as how we cope with future changes in both the delivery of healthcare and in the design of the facilities required to provide healthcare. Further details of this seminar are outlined below.

More information on the entire program and how to register for this Congress, is available from the ACHSM website at <https://www.achsm.org.au/congress>



## Joint ACHSM/ACHS Asia-Pacific health leadership #2017Congress

**The winds of change –  
adjust your sails**

**27 – 29 Sep 2017**  
Hilton Sydney

## Specialty streams for health planners and designers

In partnership with the  
International Union of  
Architects Public Health  
Group and the  
Australian Health  
Design Council

**Wed 27 Sep 2017**  
**4 – 5.30pm**

**Concurrent session 1**

**'All hands on deck'**

Limit: 40 participants

**International Scene**

Short introduction of each of the key  
leaders in this international arena, short  
presentations by two, followed by a  
facilitated discussion.

**Panel discussion**

**Warren Kerr**, Chair of the International Union of  
Architects Public Health Group (UIA PHG)

**Kate Copeland**, Chair of the Australian Health  
Design Council (AHDC)

**Ray Pentecost**, President American College of  
Healthcare Architects (ACHA)

**Darryl Carey**, Chair of the New Zealand Health  
Design Council (NZHDC)

**Gunther de Graeve**, CEO Global Board,  
International Academy for Design and Health

**Short presentations**

**Ray Pentecost** on health facility planning and design issues in the USA

**Darryl Carey** on health facility planning and design issues in NZ

**Facilitated discussion**

'Local and international issues, similarities and differences – how do we  
progress industry good practice and make a difference?'

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Register at: [achsm.org.au/congress](http://achsm.org.au/congress)



**Thu 28 Sep 2017, 1.30–5pm**

**Site visits**

**Option 1: Blacktown & Mount Druitt Hospitals**

**Option 2: St Vincent's Hospital**

(Limit: 40 participants each option)

**Fri 29 Sep 2017, 8.30 – 10am**

**Concurrent session 5: Planning, procurement, progressing projects**

**Stream 12**

**Gunther De Graeve:** Strategic asset planning

**Michael Palassis:** Public Private Partnerships – factors for successful PPPs and how to manage them

**Megan Reading:** Herston Quarter Redevelopment – Specialist Rehabilitation and Ambulatory Care Centre

**Rob Pulsford, Director, Infrastructure, WA Country Health Service:** Innovative infrastructure design solutions in the rural setting

**Fri 29 Sep 2017, 10.30am – 12pm**

**Concurrent session 6: Stakeholder engagement**

**Stream 13**

**Catherine Muhlebach:** Changing the conversation in facility design

**Jane Carthey:** Effective inter-professional collaboration in the design of healthcare facilities

**Paul Emmett:** Collaboration and design

**Nicole Bartholomeusz:** Engaging design through community engagement

**Fri 29 Sep 2017**

**Post-congress session**

**1.30–5.30pm:** UIA PHG & AHDC Hospital Project Visit

**6.30pm:** UIA PHG & AHDC dinner (at own cost)

**Register at: [achsm.org.au/congress](http://achsm.org.au/congress)**



## **2018 UIA PHG Seminar Paris 29-31 May 2018**

All members of the UIA PHG are invited to participate in our next Seminar which is scheduled to be held in Paris between 29-31 May 2018. Work is well underway to make it one of the best Seminars of recent years. Further details are available from the UIA PHG website.



## UIA PHG & GUPHA SEMINAR

29-31 MAY 2018



## **2017 UIA-PHG International Student & Young Architect Competition: Smart, Green & Beyond: Health Care Facility of the Future**

At the Seminar in London, the International Union of Architects Public Health Group (UIA-PHG), the Global University Program in Healthcare Architecture (GUPHA) and the China Hospital Construction Conference (CHCC) was pleased to announce the winners of the competition, "Smart, Green & Beyond: Healthcare Facility of the Future", which seeks to raise awareness about sustainability in the design of healthcare facilities.



The past decade has witnessed dramatic changes in many facets of the human society, especially in the healthcare industry. New concepts, new technologies, and new services are emerging everyday. We believe that these changes fundamentally altered people's perceptions of healthcare, their lifestyles, and the ways of healthcare utilization.

In this competition, the UIA PHG invited students and young architects to provide innovative proposals to address these significant future challenges: e.g. How to make use of limited resources? How to incorporate new technologies? How to meet the healthcare needs of the fast-growing aging population? How to reduce costs? We asked them to predict what healthcare facilities would look like in the next 15 to 30 years, and how future designs may reflect the everlasting meaning of culture and tradition?

The mission of the competition was to increase the awareness of the transitions now underway in healthcare systems and services, to encourage younger members of the architectural profession to actively engage in healthcare design, and to act as a catalyst for discussions on how best to design healthcare facilities of the future.

In all three aspects this competition was an outstanding success. A measure of this success may be gained from the fact that the competition attracted 556 registrations from 59 countries. All credit for this outstanding success needs to Dr Zhipeng Lu for his dedicated efforts in organising this competition, which is one of the outstanding success stories of the UIA PHG.

The UIA PHG Executive wishes to congratulate Dr Zhipeng Lu on this excellent outcome and to thank all the sponsors and the judges who contributed to the competition.

The results of the competition listing the winners and 'honourable mentions' are now all available on the UIA PHG website.

<https://www.uia-phg.org/2017-results>