



# IAP EVENT LOG

**JANUARY | 2025**



INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS  
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## 8<sup>th</sup> Jan Workshop on Space Syntax



The Institute of Architects Pakistan (IAP) - Peshawar Chapter, in collaboration with CECOS University, organized a comprehensive Workshop on Space Syntax on January 8, 2025, at the CECOS University campus. This event was sponsored by Prestige Pipes, reflecting their commitment to supporting architectural education and professional development.

The workshop was led by Ar. Dr. Ubaid Ullah, a distinguished architect and academic known for his expertise in spatial analysis and urban design. The primary focus of the session was to explore the principles and applications of Space Syntax, a powerful analytical tool used to understand spatial configurations and their impact on human behavior, accessibility, and urban dynamics.

The workshop concluded with a Q&A session, where participants interacted with Dr. Ubaid Ullah, discussing challenges and opportunities in applying Space Syntax in local and global contexts. Certificates of participation were distributed, acknowledging the efforts of attendees in enhancing their understanding of this innovative field.





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9<sup>th</sup> Jan

IAP-RIC and RDA Join Hands

IAP-RIC

## **IAP-RIC and RDA Join Hands to Transform Rawalpindi's Urban Landscape**

A landmark meeting between the Institute of Architects Pakistan – Rawalpindi-Islamabad Chapter (IAP-RIC) and the Rawalpindi Development Authority (RDA) has set the stage for a collaborative effort to reimagine Rawalpindi's urban development. Held at the RDA office, the meeting explored avenues to integrate architectural excellence and innovative urban planning into the city's development strategies.

The IAP-RIC delegation was led by Chairman Ar. Abdullah Khan, accompanied by Vice Chairperson Ar. Nimra Qazi, Hon. Secretary Ar. Sannah Ejaz, Hon. Treasurer Ar. Ukkasha Numan Ehsan, and EC Members Ar. Uzma Kabir Ar. Rweeda Himayat and Ar. Syed Qasim Abbas.

Representing the RDA, Assistant Director (Architecture) Ar. Rida Sultan welcomed the delegation and underscored the importance of fostering a strategic partnership.

### **Key Discussions and Outcomes:**

#### **Enhancing Architect Representation in RDA:**

The discussion emphasized the critical need for greater inclusion of architects within RDA to address pressing urban design and planning challenges.

IAP-RIC reaffirmed its commitment to advocating for architects' roles in shaping Rawalpindi's future.

#### **Proposal for an Architectural Wing:**

A groundbreaking proposal to establish an Architectural Wing within RDA was discussed, aiming to institutionalize architectural expertise and ensure architects play a central role in urban projects. The model implemented by the Capital Development Authority (CDA) was cited as a successful precedent.

#### **Fostering Innovation through Academia:**

Both parties recognized the value of engaging academic institutions to introduce research-driven, innovative solutions for urban development projects in Rawalpindi.

#### **Developing a Strategic Collaboration Roadmap:**

IAP-RIC recommended that RDA outline a clear strategic vision to define the scope of the collaboration effectively.

This roadmap would guide joint initiatives and ensure alignment with long-term development goals.

#### **Invitation to IAPEX 2025:**

IAP-RIC formally invited RDA representatives, including the Director General, to participate in a dedicated session at IAPEX 2025. This flagship event, themed "Urban Horizons – Architecture and the Future of Urban Precincts," will provide a platform to formalize partnerships and launch joint initiatives.

#### **Building a Shared Vision for Urban Excellence:**

The meeting concluded with both IAP-RIC and RDA expressing mutual enthusiasm and a shared commitment to leveraging architectural innovation to address the city's urban challenges. This collaboration marks a significant step in promoting sustainable development, enhancing the quality of urban spaces, and positioning architects as key contributors to Rawalpindi's transformation.



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IAP was represented by Nine Delegates from Pakistan at the ARCASIA Forum 22 in Colombo, Sri Lanka from 14-18 January 2025. President IAP Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi & Vice President Ar. Dr. Samra Mohsin Khan were the Official Delegates. ACAE was Officially represented by BAE - IAP Chairperson Ar. Bisma Sami Askari & Ar. Umer Saeed was an Observer, ACSR by Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi & Ar. Dr. Samra M. Khan was an Observer, ACGSA by Ar. Jahangir Khan Sherpao, ACPP by Ar. Salman Javaid Malik, ACYA by Ar. Umar Sajjad and Ar. Noor Mubasher was an Observer.

Ar. Umar Saeed, IP Chairman BAE- IAP Chairman was elected as Deputy Chair of ACAE and will take over as Chairman ACAE for the term 2026-2027.

President IAP Ar. Fawad Suhail Abbasi was also a Speaker at the ARCASIA Forum and represented the work of his firm Suhail & Fawad Architects. The work of architecture firms from Pakistan including Suhail & Fawad architects and ORAD were displayed at the ARCASIA exhibition of works at the forum.

The fellowship meeting honoured Ar. Zaigham Jaffrey (IAP) and his contributions to ARCASIA through a presentation that consisted of Ar. Zaigham's poetry composed with music. It was a beautiful presentation that paid a poignant tribute to an amazing architect who will always be remembered fondly by his fellows.

Friendship Night was the culmination of ARCASIA Forum 22 held on 18th January 2025 and Pakistan jointly won the second Prize with India while Nepal came first and Thailand third. Pakistan's entry was praised for being true to the objectives of ARCASIA and very inclusive.

ACA21 titled, 'A better tomorrow', will be hosted by KIRA at Incheon, South Korea from September 8th to September 12th 2025. Prof Wu Jiang from China won the lection and will take over as ARCASIA President Elect by the Start of 2026. India won the bid for the ARCASIA forum 23 to be held in 2026.

Team IAP carried many mementos for the various office bearers from ARCASIA countries. The IAP delegation participated in all forums to actively represent Pakistan and thanked the hosts Sri Lanka for their warm hospitality.





14<sup>TH</sup> – 18<sup>TH</sup> Jan ARCASIA Forum 22, Columbo, Sri Lanka

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11<sup>th</sup> Jan

First session of ARCONNECT-Talk and Workshop Series

**IAP-LC**

**IAP Lahore Chapter in collaboration with Vartax Chemical Organized Talk Series 1<sup>st</sup> part of ARChconnect on "Constructing Clarity: A Discussion on the Deliver Systems and Bylaws " on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 4:00 PM, at Nine Tree Hotel Gulberg III Lahore**

**Engr. Dr. Mohmood Ahmad Sulehri** delivered the lecture, and it also had presentations from **Ar. Amber Razzaq** and **Ar. Muhammad Shahzad**, both from LDA. Additionally, the DG of LDA, **Mr. Tahir Farooq**, was present and engaged in discussions with the architects.





11<sup>th</sup> Jan

IAP-LC Executive Members and LDA officials Meeting

**IAP-LC**

A meeting was held between IAP-LC Executive Members and LDA officials, including Additional DG Mr. Abdullah Mehmood and Director Architect Ar. Amber Razzaq. The meeting aimed to extend an invitation to IAP-LC event held on **January 11th** and to explore opportunities for collaboration, address architectural challenges, and foster meaningful relationships.

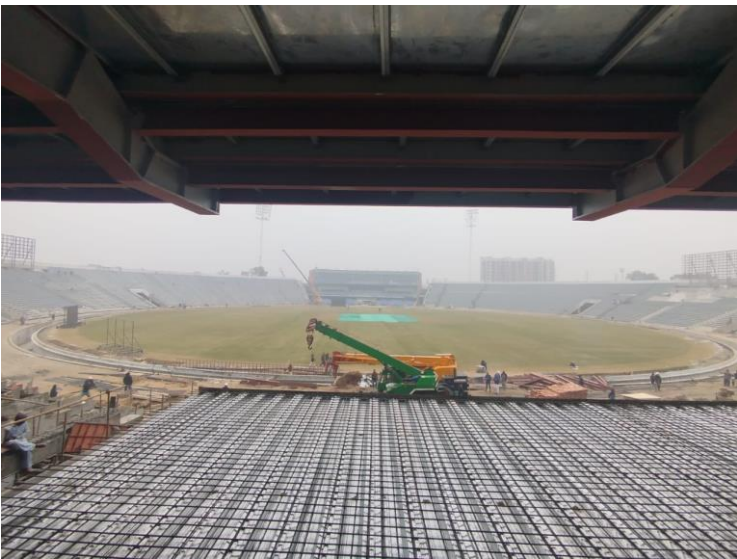
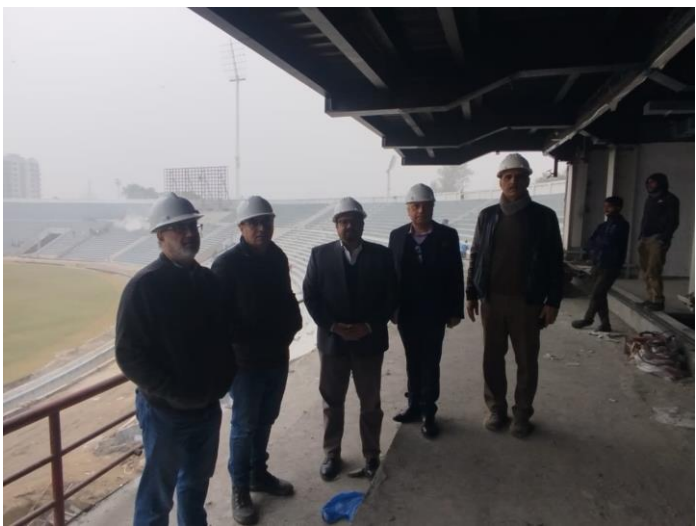




11<sup>th</sup> Jan ARCHISITES Visit of Qazzafi Stadium

IAP-LC

Initial visit of Qazzafi Stadium for our next week's ARCHISITES Program.on **January 11<sup>th</sup> 2025**





18<sup>th</sup> Jan

Beats & Bites Archi Grooves by IAP-KC

IAP-KC

The Institute of Architects Pakistan – Karachi Chapter (IAP-KC) hosted an unforgettable event, Archi Grooves: Beloved Tracks of Professional Architects' Student Life, at IAP House, offering an evening full of music, nostalgia, and creativity.

This unique celebration brought architects together to reconnect with the cherished tracks that defined their college days, marking a memorable reunion of professionals within the field.

The event opened with the nostalgic anthem Kabhi Hum Khoobsoorat They by Nayyara Noor, which immediately transported the audience back to their student years. The song resonated with all in attendance, evoking memories of simpler times and reflecting on the dreams and aspirations once held. It set the tone for the evening, with guests enjoying warm memories and the shared joy of music that shaped their journeys.

As the night continued, architects, both accomplished professionals and talented singers, took to the stage to perform the melodies that once accompanied their late-night design sessions and group project collaborations. These performances provided a rare and intimate look into the personalities of the architects, celebrating the music that inspired them and continues to unite their community.

A carefully curated Far Eastern dinner, featuring Japanese sushi, Chinese hotpot, and other delicacies, added to the evening's creative energy, making the event a sensory feast. IAP-KC also welcomed ten promising architecture students as special guests, offering them the chance to network with seasoned professionals and engage in meaningful conversations. This initiative highlighted IAP-KC's dedication to nurturing emerging talent, providing students with invaluable opportunities to learn from their mentors and peers.





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Architect Hina Mansoor



Architect Ali Mustafa



Architect Javeria Nasir

