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# 2018-2019 AIAS BOARD OF DIRECTOS ELECTED AT AIAS FORUM 2017

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Chapter leaders of the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) have cast their ballots for the next Board of Directors. During the annual FORUM conference, which took place in Austin, Texas from December 29, 2017 – January 1, 2018, the Council of Presidents elected the new incoming board of directors for the organization.

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- President: Amy Rosen, Carnegie Mellon University
- Vice President: Brigid Callaghan, Kent State University
- Northeast Quad Director: Mike Chiappa, New Jersey Institute of Technology
- South Quad Director: Paul Bamson, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Midwest Quad Director: Adam Fogel, Illinois Institute of Technology
- West Quad Director: Dominic Armendariz, University of Nevada, Las Vegas

President-elect Amy Rosen will serve as the organization's 62<sup>nd</sup> President. "We are so excited to make some change happen and to bring your voices to the forefront of the profession – we have a lot of work to do and we are ready to do it."

Rosen and Vice President-elect Brigid Callaghan addressed attendees at the conference. Callaghan told the audience, "Amy and I are looking forward to serving the members of AIAS and utilizing their voices for the betterment of leadership, design, and service among architecture students. The directors and liaisons working alongside us are incredible. We could not be more grateful nor excited for the year ahead!"

Those elected, including Quad Directors, will serve a one-year term on the AIAS Board of Directors. During this time, the President and Vice President relocate to the national office in Washington, D.C. and work as full-time employees of the AIAS.

The AIAS has also appointed Ikhlas Sabouni to serve as the next ACSA Liaison. Sabouni is the Dean of the School of Architecture at Prairie View A&M University and is an ACSA Distinguished Professor. She is a vocal advocate for students and has been an effective leader at Prairie View A&M University. She will serve a three-year term (2018-2021) after Carmina Sánchez-del-Valle ends her term at the 2018 AIAS Grassroots Leadership Conference.



#### AIAS 2018-2019 BOARD OF DIRECTORS LIAISONS

- NCARB Liaison (2016-2019): Dennis Ward, FAIA, NCARB Florence, SC
- AIA Liaison (2017-2020): Timothy Hawk, FAIA Columbus, OH
- ACSA Liaison (2018-2021): Dr. Ikhlas Sabouni Houston, TX

The newly elected board officially begins their duties on the 1st of July and will be sworn in during Grassroots 2018. In the six-month lead-up to commencing their terms, the board-elect will work closely with their predecessors to become familiar with their role on the board, including a three-day orientation concurrent with the Spring Board of Directors Meeting.

# **ABOUT THE AIAS**

The American Institute of Architecture Students is a non-profit, student-run organization dedicated to programs, information and resources on issues critical to architecture and the experience of education. For more information, visit www.aias.org or call Kimberly Tuttle at (202) 808-0036.