





Summit Program

Day 1 - 18th March 2019

 08:30 - 09:30

REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

 09:30 - 09:45

MC OPENS


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Welcome Address by Guest of Honor

 10:00 - 10:20

Evolution in the Role of Landscape Architecture

- Changing perceptions of urban landscape and the obligation for landscape designers to be multi-disciplinary professionals to ensure people are thoroughly connected in 21st century cities
- The need to envisage global commons in landscape projects that will have an impact on functionality of cities
- Challenges designers face in creating landscapes that increase human interaction with nature

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Developing a Green City in an Arid Region

- The development of a green city and laws to ensure private and public organizations follow a greener vision – the progress and way forward
- Implementation of UAE's Green Growth Strategy and how well it has been adopted across the region
- Strategies suggested by World Green Economic Organization headquartered in UAE to promote green and sustainable cities

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Re-imagining Urban Public Spaces and Infusing Technology with Urban Developments

- Contemporary cities need to connect neighborhoods, with public spaces being instrumental to urban development
 - Staying connected is a necessity in the public realm and smart infrastructure facilitates this necessity in public spaces
 - How effective has the integration of public spaces in urban planning been in the region?
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Panel Discussion: Rise of Shared Spaces in the Urban Development

- As UAE is home to over 200 nationalities, what are the key factors to UAE's success story in its integration of various cultures through urban spaces
 - Common grounds and shared spaces stimulating the growth of green development
 - The future of urban dynamics and its need to be multifunctional
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NETWORKING COFFEE BREAK & VISIT TO NETWORKING LOUNGE

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Emerging Trends in Landscape Design

- Integrating public spaces with urban planning and development
 - Creating green areas for residents to connect better with nature and lead to a healthier lifestyle
 - Shared spaces to help a community of diverse culture grow better and stronger
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Green Roofs - Adding More than Aesthetic Value

- How Dubai Municipality's Green Roof campaign is gaining popularity in the region as temperatures rise
 - Challenges faced in implementing green roofs in this region
 - Case study on Dubai Opera – Green roof and Vegetated Terraces
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Panel Discussion: Innovative Urban Planning and Design to boost Sustainable Infrastructure for Future Developments

- Physical and non-physical infrastructure helps developers to build better communities
 - Multifunctional design can enhance urban open spaces and parks, thereby helping in reviving communities – an essential requirement for all development projects in the region
 - Developing a sustainable blue green infrastructure to create an aesthetic ambience
 - Challenges urban planners face in integrating a blue-green infrastructure within a community and how can it be addressed
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Panel Discussion: Growth of Green Envelope Strategies aiding Ecosystem Restoration

- The strategies to be followed in this region to compliment the growth of green walls
 - Challenges in maintaining the longest living green wall at the Cultural Village, Dubai
 - Can the increase of green walls, green roofs, etc. boost biodiversity and help ecosystem restoration in the long run?
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Embracing latest Landscape Trends into Existing Communities

- Growing demand for developers of existing housing communities to catch up with sustainable and smart landscaping designs adopted in the region. How are developers adapting to the pace of change of innovations in landscape?
 - Residents consciously upgrading to communities that generate less carbon footprint and lean toward smart infrastructure
 - Challenges faced by developers with retrofitting existing communities to stay updated on the latest technology in property management
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Rain Gardens to help Convert Rainwater into a Resource

- Approaches adopted to effectively use rainwater and how landscape architects need to implement such methods for a greener tomorrow
 - Best practices to be followed in landscaping for preserving storm water and how to use smart coverings in landscaping
 - What are the alternative methods adopted to ensure lesser usage of water for sustainable irrigation? Smart technology transforming irrigation.
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How to increase the Green Quotient in the City

- Promoting zero waste urban design is key for achieving a city's green vision
 - Re-generating existing districts with conservation of natural resources in urban developments
 - How Dubai Safari is a transformation of a landfill to a natural habitat
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Retrofitting Open Spaces a Priority for Developers

- Innovative open spaces allow a city to connect and provide better quality of living
 - Designing outdoor playscapes that is nature driven to become the hub of a community
 - Creation of playscapes and open spaces address social needs and environmental issues and creates a connected community.
 - What are the parameters in understanding community needs and how is it addressed?
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REFRESHMENTS & VISIT TO NETWORKING LOUNGE

Day 2 - 19th March 2019

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NETWORKING & MORNING REFRESHMENTS

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MC OPENS

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Landscape Designing Tackling Issues of Carbon Footprint

- Urban developers focusing on sustainable urban developments in the region
 - Implementing innovative landscaping techniques for building a sustainable ecosystem
 - Project Update - Abu Dhabi Municipality's Dhs 8.5 million park upgrade
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Ensuring Childhoods are preserved with Development of Parks and Playscapes

- Importance of livable cities along with preserving parks
 - Development of park infrastructure to boost healthier living in urban areas
 - Parks serve as common spaces to ensure people are inclusive for all cultural activities
 - Case study - Dubailand Park poised to be the city's largest park
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Importance of Preserving Native Plants in the region

- Landscape architects need to be aware of the variety of native plants in the region
 - Native plants will require less water consumption as this is their natural habitat. What are the smart irrigation techniques used for ingenious plant?
 - Challenges faced by landscape architects in executing landscape designs consisting of native plants
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Panel discussion: Retrofitting Playgrounds and Open Spaces

- Tailor-made open spaces are necessary to ensure safety for all
 - Increase social well-being through creative and artful concepts
 - Best practices followed to design in limited spaces through retrofits
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Resilient Landscape Designing the Need of the Hour

- Water management in urban designing is key in maintaining resilient landscapes
 - Sustainable designs developments by integrating innovation and traditional practices
 - What are the issues landscape designers face in managing contemporary landscapes?
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Panel Discussion: Innovating Landscape Design in order to Create Livable Cities

- Urban innovative designs to alter interactions in sustainable cities
 - Green infrastructure design transforming cityscape and also enhancing wellbeing of a community.
 - How are urban planners dealing with densification of cities leading to innovative use of space?
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BIM helping Designers to better plan Sustainable Cities

- BIM and GIS playing key role in helping urban planners regenerate a city
 - Algorithms to help understand human behavior and design public spaces
 - What are the limitations of BIM and such technologies for landscape designers
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NETWORKING LUNCH

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Panel Discussion: Designing a Sustainable Society along with its Citizens is key for Successful Smart Cities

- Urban designers need to ensure all designs are eco-friendly and sustainable approaches are followed
 - Citizens adopting a healthy urban identity with increase of healthier infrastructure to do so
 - Adopting practice followed of regenerating urban spaces as seen in Seoul regenerating its High Line
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Adopting Watershed Approaches in the Region with Active Citizen Participation

- Adopting the right mix of healthy soil and plants to effectively manage water as a resource to create resilient communities
 - Citizen participation in adopting watershed techniques
 - Examples of successful watershed approaches by communities globally
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Lighting Plays a Key Role Driving Sustainable Development of Cities

- Public lighting is popular as it boosts economic development and safety. Application of smart lighting and energy consumptions are key factors in landscape development
 - Good lighting is necessary for enhancing public spaces. What are the contemporary lighting solutions to light public spaces and modern infrastructure?
 - Lighting landscapes comprising of green roofs, walls can be challenging. What are the best strategies followed by landscape designers to address this issue?
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Sustainable Urban Form of Landscape Development to drive walkability in cities

- Developers have shifted focus on shaded streetways and well-lit sidewalks to encourage a healthier lifestyle for residents for a sustainable city
 - Pedestrian and cyclist friendly developments need to be factored when developing a new community or retrofitting an existing on.
 - What are the challenges landscape designers face in retrofitting a community into a walkable and pedestrian friendly community?
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PRIZE DRAW & MC CLOSURES

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