

Disaster Risk and Management Training for Architects

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Architects Regional Council Asia (ARCASIA) in cooperation with Association of Indonesian Architects (IAI), Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC), Yogyakarta Disaster Mitigation Agency, Universitas Gadjah Mada, and Universitas Islam Indonesia (UII) have hosted an international level training for architects. Themed *Training Workshop Arcasia Disaster Risk Management For Architects*, the training was joined by delegates from Asian countries, such as Pakistan, Malaysia, Bangladesh, India, Hongkong, Sri Lanka, and Indonesia. It was organised in Yogyakarta from 4 - 7 April 2018.

Chairman of IAI, Ahmad Djuhara, said the choice of Yogyakarta as the location of the training was due to its rich experience in mitigating disasters.

“Of all the disasters that occurred here, such as volcanic eruption, earthquake, landslide, and possible tsunami, these showed that the community of Yogyakarta has plenty of experience in disaster mitigation areas,” said Juhara. This experience became one thing that can be shared to others.

Djuhara explained further that the training was attended by members of IAI from Papua, Maluku, and other areas in Indonesia. He said the training was welcomed by the participants who said they

learned that there were many things to be prepared to deal with a disaster.

Meanwhile, President of Architects Regional Council Asia (Arcasia), Jahangir Khan Sherpao, said the training was very important for the architects because that could increase their ability and strength related to disaster risk and management.

“Hopefully, the participants of the training would be able to disseminate their knowledge and information gathered here on the role of architects in disaster risk and management in their respective countries,” said Jahangir.

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