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## Speakers



AIA, Managing Director *Porie Saikia-Eapen*  
 PRIA Global, New York, USA

- Licensed architect in NY and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Building, UK.
- 2007, Ms. Saikia-Eapen co-founded Tree of Life Professional Development Inc. for capacity building in post conflict regions.
- Governor of the New York Building Foundation and the Americas Ambassador for the Chartered Institute of Building / a trustee at the BW Architecture Foundation / Director at Association of Consulting Engineering Companies NY / Director of International Construction Project Management Association.
- A past president of Construction Management Association of America NYNJ.
- The Advisory Board member of WTS (Women Transportation Seminar) in NY.
- She has held positions of Business Vice President at a multinational company, Chief Architect at Metropolitan Transportation Authority New York, Executive Director at a Women Support Foundation, Program and Construction Manager at public and private sector built environments.

AIA, Director *Silas Chiow*  
 Skidmore, Owings&Merrill, China



- Silas Chiow, AIA, currently serves as Director of SOM China. In this capacity, he is responsible for the firm's overall operations, strategic decision making, and project facilitation in China. He works in cooperation with U.S.-based SOM design and managing partners.
- Chiow has a proven track record for successful outcomes and offers a unique array of expertise that includes architecture, planning, project management, and business development.
- In 1987, Chiow joined SOM New York and worked on the design of several prestigious projects.
- Since 1994, Chiow has focused his efforts on China and gained tremendous knowledge working as an architect, urban planner, and project manager in the region.
- Chiow speaks frequently at government, commercial, and university events on subjects critical to the successful development of China's design culture: Defining Quality, Value-creation, Design Process, Sustainability, Design Integrity, and Professionalism.

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*City Planner, Architect Peter Wynne-Reese,  
City of London, England*

- Peter has led the planning and regeneration in London since 1985.
- He studied architecture at The Bartlett and The Welsh School of Architecture and town planning at the Polytechnic of the South Bank.
- Peter lectures at universities and conferences throughout the world and makes frequent media appearances on urban planning and design topics.
- A founder member and director of the British Council for Offices since 1990, he received their President's Award in 2003 for "presiding over one of the most extensive periods of redevelopment in the City's long history".
- In 2012 Peter was awarded an honorary Fellowship of the Royal Institute of British Architects.
- Trustee of the Architecture Foundation.
- In 2013 Peter has delivered the opening presentations at the CTBUH International Conference, "Height and Heritage", held in the City of London and at the IACIE Convention in Tel Aviv.

*Innovation Advisor, Designer Greg Bernarda,  
MA in Political Science, the University of Lausanne in Switzerland*

- He works across sectors and regions with individuals and groups that aspire to develop products, services and solutions that are humanly significant and commercial successful. He has a keen interest in the emerging 'Connection Economy', where everyone participates in creating economic value and well being for themselves and for each other.
- He is currently developing new products on business models and value propositions with his partners at Business Model Generation.
- He is also a co-founder and presenter of the Hanwang Forum in China.
- Greg is an international advisor to the Sustainable Development Committee in Beijing.
- He also spends part of his time working as a volunteer with social entrepreneurs in the education sector in countries such as Ecuador, Tanzania, and in India.

