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My focus was to build on the strength of the Institute and on all of the great work that has gone before. My call to arms, in January 2012, was that as a profession we must support each other and have the courage of our convictions to go out and take responsibility for the built environment, not because we are entitled to it but because it needs us, our skills and abilities, and particular training in joined up thinking, to make the built environment a better place in which to live.

The RIAI, as an Institute, has in the teeth of the recession and after the temptations of a boom, managed to remain debt free, retain a significant cash reserve, provide a full service to the profession of architects and technologists while all the time subventing the membership by reducing the Annual Charges. This prudent management of the business of the RIAI is indicative of the careful approach of the Institute towards tending the profession.

Over the past months, I have been frequently asked if I am relieved to have finished my term as President of the RIAI. I had expected rather, that I might be asked if I had enjoyed it. The truth is that even though it was far more challenging than I could have expected, I have enjoyed it, in particular the support of a dedicated team of people including the executive and officers, whose intelligence, initiative and concern for the profession brought us through such challenging times. I certainly enjoyed the many hugely inspiring and promising events that took me all over the country, and also to London, Copenhagen and New York. 2012 and 2013 were exceptionally busy two years for all involved in the RIAI.

If I can choose one initiative from many that might illustrate the forward thinking of the RIAI, it is the Kilkenny Design Review for the Diageo site. This brought together 18 consultants, mostly architects, to look objectively at this site of national importance. The result was that the enormous potential for the site was demonstrated brilliantly by some of our best architects to an audience, of decision makers most of whom had not known what architects could do. The Design Review created an opportunity for architects to become embedded in the community culturally and politically, and a platform for architects to express opinions on the built environment. It is very important that we do not neglect the culture of architecture during lean times, the opportunity is to make ourselves the voice of the built environment. It should not be forgotten that the business of architecture is ultimately dependent on the strength of the culture of architecture.
The high quality of architecture produced in Ireland is recognised around the world, and the promotion of it internationally through various initiatives is benefitting Irish Architects. The Irish Architecture Review publication opened doors with Tong Ji University in Shanghai, and that has led to a number of exhibitions of Irish Architecture in the University and also in the city of Shanghai over the past two years, supported by the Government Policy on Architecture. The interest shown there in the work of Irish Architects has very effectively highlighted to our own government agencies the value to Ireland Inc. of the profession. The return visit of Tong Ji University to Ireland in 2013 has led to a cross school exchange program of staff and students which will be developed and consolidated over the coming years.

Obviously the reference in my introduction to feeling relief at the end of my term, relates to the BCAR and the controversy around it. I am concerned that the RIAI could be effectively undermined in its function of supporting members by the public actions of some members. It saddens me that having put such huge effort into getting the best possible result for architects and the quality of the built environment, through what was a year long process of consultation and negotiation with our colleagues in the construction industry, that the staff and members involved in the process would be treated with such public disregard by our own. This process and the information provided to members is detailed in the CEO’s report.

We are a small profession and there are external pressures to relieve us of some of our functions and reduce our role. We cannot afford to have internal debates put on the public stage and expect to strengthen our role. The place for such debate is in the RIAI, where accurate and current information can inform it, emotion can be expended and reason prevail.

The RIAI is a vital resource for the profession. It is a forum for discussion, an advocacy body for the profession and Architecture, a source of leadership on regulatory issues, a font of knowledge, a test bed for ideas and a place of action for architects and technologists. It is an institute whose core is based on informed debate and inclusiveness, whose doors have always been open to members with differing views and which relies on the voluntary work of members. I have thoroughly enjoyed being part of the positive ambition for Irish Architecture and the profession that drives the RIAI.

MICHELLE FAGAN
RIAI President 2012 - 2013
During the first six months of my term as President in 2014, I outlined the challenges and the agenda that I set out at the start of my term. We are in a time of great change and reflection. As the economy shows signs of strengthening, we must ensure that we are in a position of strength to benefit from the changes. We must use this strength to ensure that we do not allow any repetition of the mistakes of the past and that we are instrumental in creating the best built environment, delivering the right buildings in the right places of the right quality at the right price. The review process is well under way.

As part of this process of review, we have held a one-day workshop on Corporate Governance, which many Council members attended. We held a half-day workshop on BC(A)R, attended by most members of the BC(A)R Steering Group and Change Group, with other members invited to attend. We have held a ‘review’ day on the BC(A)R documents, which are being processed. We have held our first Members’ meeting. All members received notification of this meeting and 30 attended. Council adopted Policies with regard to BC(A)R in January and Architectural Technologists in March. These initiatives are intended to allow Council and our members to get the fullest information to develop a strategy for the future of the Institute. As well as the activities outlined above, we have been working on a number of other issues that are of much importance to our architect and technologist members.

**FEES AND CHARGES**

A group has been set up to consider tools for architects to evaluate and manage their own costs so that when fee bids are submitted this is done on an informed basis. What is being examined includes evaluation of hours per square metre, a need for various building types and benchmarking of salaries against other construction professionals and industries.

**PROCUREMENT**

The new Procurement Directive has been published and already the Office of Government Procurement (OGP) has asked RIAI and other interested bodies to make initial submissions. The Directive is intended to facilitate access to SMEs and Micro Enterprises as well as emphasising the need for MEAT tenders rather than lowest cost only. The recent tender process for the National Children’s Hospital where both a minimum
level of fee and an amount for reference hours was included and those tendering below these levels lost marks possibly shows a way forward. The setting up of the OGP also provides the possibility of standardised approach procurement rather than the cut and paste methodology which has caused so many problems to date.

REGISTER OF ARCHITECTURAL TECHNOLOGISTS
 DECLG has indicated support for a Register of Architectural Technologists and the engagement process has started with the Department. This will involve the development of a National Standard for Architectural Technologists with the development of bodies representing technologists generally together with educators, external experts etc. As a standard develops it will be necessary to set up consulting groups to advance a framework for Registration of Architectural Technologists.

FINANCIAL STRATEGY
 This Annual Report gives details of the historical position of the finances of the RIAI. We have spent nearly €750,000.00 in subventions to members over the last few years and this is reflected in the losses that the RIAI has suffered. Our projected losses this coming year are in the order of €330,000.00. We remain very strong financially, with our reserves of €2.5m in cash and bonds and two buildings unencumbered by debt, allowing us to support our members in this time of great need. I have asked our financial team to develop budget proposals for 2015, with the intention of improving our budgetary position so that we can return to a balanced budget in 2016. The good news in 2014 is that unwaged numbers are down and applications for financial hardship reductions are substantially down.

BC(A)R
 Work in finalising Guidance documents and assessment methodology is being advanced and final documents should be available by the end of August 2014. Finalisation has involved drawing on experience within the RIAI peer review, discussions with RIAI Technical Groups, architects who worked on the documents, the Practice Committee, a Special Risk-mitigation workshop, legal advisors and PI advisors. The recently published ‘Framework for Building Control Authorities’ has also informed finalisation.

We have agreed that a group would look at developing proposals for improving Building Control, which is under review by the Institute.
GOVERNANCE
The Governance workgroup has expanded its membership and has been tasked with looking at the way that Council works, and should make proposals for the make up of Council, workable representation, the way that Council forms and directs policy, and the way that it interacts with the executive. Its remit is to ensure that Council is fit for purpose in the years ahead. This includes an organisational review, looking at the various committees and their interaction with Council. We are also looking at the co-regulatory role of the Institute and how it is developing.

CREDIBILITY AND REPUTATION
The events of the 2013 and 2014 have not advanced the credibility and reputation of architects generally. There is a significant task in rebuilding the substantial reputation built up by the RIAI over many years and also repairing relationships with members and Government.

COMMUNICATIONS
Looking through 2013, the amount of communication with members has been extraordinary. There is a perception that the communication could have been more comprehensive, but the facts speak for themselves.

The opening rate for RIAI emails is very high by industry standards (at about 46%) but still does not reach all members. The first information meeting on BC(A)R was held in December 2013 and since then we have had a series of meetings, seminars and CPD sessions for our members. We have been sending out to members summaries of our Council meetings and are trying to keep members as up to date as we can.

As we move towards the end of 2014, I look forward to making progress on these and other issues that affect the profession.

ROBIN MANDAL
RIAI President 2014 - 2015
SUPPORT

Support by means of information, direct advice and documentation was a major priority for the RIAI in 2013. The most practical example of support was the €246,112 subvention towards annual charges for architects on the Register and membership charges for architectural technologists taken from RIAI reserves.

In terms of direct advice, the Practice Director Joe Miller, dealt with a substantial amount of difficulties every week on practical practice matters. The Deputy CEO, Kathryn Meghen, dealt with HR and financial problems members were experiencing. As CEO, queries tended to be personal and indicative of significant problems.

As Registrar it was my responsibility to decide on reduced annual charges and I was in contact with a wide range of architects and architectural technologists. Taken together with the problems reported by Joe Miller and Kathryn Meghen what this shows is that
the RIAI is not sitting in some ivory tower in 8 Merrion Square but has unique insight into what is happening in the profession and what the problems are. This level of contact means that the Institute has a solid base for RIAI policies and initiatives.

Dealing with Problems and Advice
There is more detail in the Practice section of this Annual Report but the main areas where architects and architectural technologists looked for advice were:

- Contract and administration including final certification and over-certification
- Non-payment of certificates
- Practical completion
- Disputed defects
- Client interference and cost and time overruns
- Liquidated as ascertained damages

Issues in Relation to Planning and Building Regulations
An important area of advice was assistance with drafting what would be a crucial letter to clients, clients’ legal advisors, contractors etc.

Procurement
The RIAI intervened in a number of cases where procurement conditions were restrictive or unrealistic and these in many cases were withdrawn or new tenders sought or modified. There were also discussions with various bodies including An Post, HSE Estates, National Rehabilitation Hospital, DoES, OPW and Government Construction Contracts Committee.

Practice Sub-Committees
The Accessibility Task Force, Housing Task Force, Sustainability Work Group, Design for Education, Historic Buildings Committee, Health Care Committee and the Urban Design Committee carried out important work in 2013 which is detailed in the Practice section of the Annual Report.

Forfas Report on Ireland’s Construction Sector
The Practice Director was part of the Working Party in drawing up this report and on his initiative the tax rebates for small scale domestic refurbishment was included in the report and subsequently adopted by Government.

MAKING ARCHITECTURE RELEVANT
2013 finally saw a realisation at political level that a healthy economy needed a healthy level of construction i.e. moving from 6% of GNP to say 11/12% of GNP. In this changing political context it was strategically
important for the RIAI to promote the importance of quality and built environment and the contribution architects could make to the public realm and the economy.

The identity of the Irish Architecture Awards as the major architectural awards in Ireland was further strengthened with substantial coverage on television, radio and national/regional print media. The Media Metrics (i.e. what it would cost to pay for an equivalent level of coverage) was measured for the Irish Architecture Awards at €253,446.

The Media Metrics for the Simon Open door event was measured at €211,933.

For the second year the RIAI was at the National Ploughing Championships, an event attended by over 180,000 people.

**DESIGN REVIEW**

**Kilkenny Design View**

A full report on this new initiative is in the ‘Making Architect Relevant’ section of the Annual Report but in summary this was an initiative, in line with the Government Policy on Architecture to promote high quality Urban Design. Kilkenny County Council invited the RIAI to put together architects and other professionals to develop Design principles for the Diageo/Smithwicks site in Kilkenny. The successful process provided a platform for architects to illustrate their skills and to demonstrate the importance of the input and also show the public the value of bringing architects into the relevant process at the earliest stage.

**RIAI MEDAL AWARDS**

In 2013 the quality of Irish architecture was demonstrated by the award in the RIAI Gold Medal 2004-2006 to Tom Maher and Kevin Bates for their Poustinia project, a series of retreat dwellings located on the grounds of the Rosminian Institute of Charity’s Glencomeragh House.

The Lifetime Achievement Medal was awarded to the Irish born, US based architect, Kevin Roche.
BUILDING CONTROL (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS

There is no doubt that the most difficult issue in 2013 was the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations, BC(A)R.

2012, YEAR END

It would be useful to look at the position at year end 2012 so as to evaluate the extent of the issue facing the RIAI in 2013.

A completely unacceptable SI was published in 2012. The Assigned Certifier was required to say that notwithstanding the responsibility of other persons or firms in relation to the works that he/she accepted responsibility and legal liability for the inspection of all works necessary to ensure that they were neither defective and complied with the Building Regulations.

The Completion Certificate was signed by the Assigned Certifier only with no mention whatsoever of builders. There was no mention of Ancillary Certifiers, no reliance on other consultants, specialists, subcontractors etc as an architect normally does and no reference to reasonable skill, care and diligence, the basis of professional responsibility.

The RIAI working with colleagues in the other professional institutions made it abundantly clear to the Department that such a process was unacceptable and completely uninsurable, at any price, because from the PI insurers point of view this was a warranty or guarantee which was never covered.

2013 - S.I.80

In early 2013 the ACEI, EI, RIAI, SCSI and CIF wrote to the Minister detailing the various concerns of these bodies and seeking a proper consultative mechanism. The Minister agreed to set up a Stakeholder consultation process which was chaired by an Assistant Secretary General of DECLG and had three representatives from RIAI, ACEI, EI, SCSI, CIF, Homebuilders, Department Officials and Local Authority Building Control Officials.

The meetings ran from April to end of July. During these discussions the Department proposed to include extensions to houses over 40m². A Design Certificate and a Design Certification process was introduced and there was a definition of those who could provide certification. A new Statutory Instrument S.I.80 of 2013
was produced which went a certain distance to deal with concerns raised in relation to liability, but did not go far enough.

The terms reasonable skill, care and diligence were used throughout both on Design and Completion Certificate.

**CODE OF PRACTICE**

From July to September 2013 there was intense engagement on the Code of Practice for Inspecting and certifying Buildings and works.

However, the proposed S.I.80 was not sufficiently clear about an architect or engineer being entitled to rely on the work of others and also being entitled to rely on Ancillary Certificates. There was extensive consultation with PI Insurers and with Senior Counsel and Legal Advisors and revised wording was negotiated during this period and that appears in S.I.9.

**EGM**

An EGM of the RIAI was held on 15th October 2013 to debate the following Motion on S.I.80 of 2013.

*The following Motion for debate is to be put to the meeting: “To debate the Institute’s policy with regard to the building control regulations and in particular with regard to S.I. 80 of 2013; and to consider, amend if the meeting so decides, and vote upon the following resolution: This Extraordinary General Meeting of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland welcomes the determination of the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, Mr. Phil Hogan T.D., to guarantee that Irish consumers are delivered the high quality homes and buildings they expect and deserve.*

*The meeting notes that the Minister has published and brought into law S.I. 80 of 2013: the Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2013, with a view to achieving the above objective.*

*The meeting believes that the said S.I. 80 of 2013 will not achieve the objective for which it has been introduced, and that the consumer will be no better protected than was the case in the recent past because of shortcomings in the said Regulations, which also place intolerable liability on some participants in the process.*
The meeting calls on the President and Council to urge the Minister to amend the Regulations so as to deliver a system of building control to protect consumers’ interests, and such that the liability falling on all participants in the process is reasonable, appropriate and insurable; and to forthwith declare to the Department that the profession will not operate the system until acceptable measures are in place.”

RIAII solicitors advised the meeting that the last three lines would have to be removed because passing the Motion would be a breach of Competition Law. The Amended Motion was passed by a clear majority.

PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURERS
In December 2013, following a briefing by the RIAI and its legal advisors, the five underwriters to RIAI Insurances confirmed that they would cover the work of an architect as a Design or Assigned Certifier and as such, would be retrospective from the date of the introduction of the Regulations.

CONFIDENTIALITY & SECRECY
The discussions and negotiations between the Stakeholders and the Department were necessarily confidential but not ‘secret’. The Council of the RIAI was fully briefed at each stage of the negotiations.

The Institute issued 7 detailed information papers, as well as 10 email bulletins, setting out the various stages and issues. There was a full presentation at the RIAI Annual Conference and at the EGM 2013.

At the end of 2013 there was an insurable system which allowed an architect to rely on the work of others, and Ancillary Certification, which could be relied on, which included the builder who would sign the Completion Certificate.

2013 YEAR END CONCERNS
At the end of November a Stakeholders Meeting was held where the proposed changes to S.I.80 were detailed together with changes to the Code of Practice for Inspecting and Certifying Buildings. The RIAI raised a number of concerns as follows:

1. Definition of Compliance
The RIAI asked that a definition of compliance would be part of the Statutory Instrument.

2. Framework for the Building Control Authorities
Although the Draft Content Pages had been circulated the RIAI was concerned that there was an immediate need for the completion of the Framework for Building Control Authorities.
3. Online System of Building Control
The RIAI urged that road testing of the online system should take place so that the various professional bodies could have adequate time to prepare.

4. Building Control Authorities Resources
RIAII expressed concern about the availability of resources particularly for projects starting in the first months of 2014.

5. A Drawing Repository
RIAII noted that the Institute and ACEI had collaborated on the system known as bReg which would achieve a goal of drawing repository as well as ensuring that intellectual property rights were safeguarded.

6. Registration of Builders
RIAII noted that CIF proposed to set up a voluntary register and raised questions as to the timetable for the heads of legislation and a timetable for completion of all stages of the legislation for statutory registration.

7. Latent Defects Insurance and Consumer Redress for Building Failures
The RIAII noted the Minister’s commitment to Latent Defects Insurance or an equivalent system of consumer redress which had been first raised by the Institute in July 2012. The questions were raised as to whether LDI would be mandatory and an appropriate legislative framework and timescale.

8. Alternative Dispute Resolution
The provision in the Code of Practice for Assigned Certifiers to refer to Building Contro. Authority was noted as being a positive development but it was considered that a great deal more work was needed in the area of ADR.

9. Review of BC(A)R
The Institute stressed that continued review would be needed of the robustness of the system not only in terms of implementation but of their substance.

10. Transitional Arrangements, Lead Times and Procurement
RIAII raised the concern that the 1st March 2014 had the potential to cause delays to projects.
RIAI IT SYSTEM
Council agreed that the 20 year old RIAI IT system database would have to be replaced as it was no longer fit for purpose and could not deal with the expanded activities of the RIAI, including the Statutory Registration system. The project was brought to a successful conclusion by the Deputy CEO and RIAI staff working the necessary additional hours to implement the system, and to arrange for smooth transition.

EDUCATION
There is a full report on the full range of RIAI Education activities in the Education section of this Annual Report. A particularly significant element was the 79% compliance with RIAI CPD requirements. The majority of those who did not meet the relevant dates simply possibly hadn’t recorded or had met some key dates. The high level of compliance underlined the professions commitment to continued development. RIAI delivered over 1600 training days.

REGISTRATION
The final element of Registration became live in October 2013 with the publication of the Statutory Code of Conduct, following extensive consultation with members, the public and Professional Conduct Committee. In relation to Misuse of Title the focus was on persuasion rather than prosecution and there were a substantial number of those using the title architect who were not on the Register agreed, by way of undertaking, to cease the practice and to use an alternative title.

A full account of RIAI Registration activities is covered in the Registration of this Annual Report.

VOLUNTARY INPUT
In 2013 the RIAI continued to benefit from a range of expert and committed voluntary input from members across a whole range of activities.

RIAI STAFF
RIAI Staff showed high levels of flexibility and innovation to meet the many challenges of 2013. Their loyalty and commitment to architecture and the RIAI was evident at all times.
BEST CULTURAL BUILDING 2013
LUAN GALLERY ATHLONE
KEITH WILLIAMS ARCHITECTS
BEST EMERGING PRACTICE 2013
1. WINNER, STEPHEN MULHALL ARCHITECT, NINETEENEIGHTY
2. SPECIAL MENTION, OOKM
3. HIGHLY COMMENDED, MEME ARCHITECTS
4. COMMENDED, ANIMA, AOIBHEANN NI MHEARAIN
HIGHLIGHTS

An Exceptional Year in Irish Architecture

CELEBRATING ARCHITECTURAL QUALITY
RIAI Gold Medal 2004-2006; RIAI Gandon Medal for Lifetime Achievement; RIAI Irish Architecture Awards; Exhibition of Irish Architecture at the RIBA, London

ARCHITECTURE AND THE PUBLIC
Simon Open Door; RIAI at Ploughing Championships and Ideal Homes; Exhibitions at the Architecture Centre; Lectures at the RIAI; RIAI Touring Exhibitions; Launch of Walks + Talks

COMMUNICATING ARCHITECTURE
Communicating with RIAI Audiences Online and in Print

ARCHITECTURE AND THE PROFESSION: CONFERENCES
EFAP Conference; RIAI Annual Conference; BIM Gathering; Education Conference: Inclusive School Environments Conference

PROCURING A QUALITY BUILT ENVIRONMENT: COMPETITIONS
DCU Competition; Launch of Primary School Competition
INTRODUCTION: AN EXCEPTIONAL YEAR IN IRISH ARCHITECTURE

2013 was an exceptional year in Irish Architecture – including the award of two of the highest honours: the RIAI Gold Medal and the James Gandon Medal for Lifetime Achievement. The RIAI Gold Medal was awarded to architects Tom Maher and Kevin Bates for their evocative retreat cabins ‘Poustinia’; while the renowned architect and Pritzker Prize Winner Kevin Roche received the RIAI Gandon Medal.

THE YEAR IN FIGURES

1 RIAI Gold Medal
1 RIAI Gandon Medal
13 Irish Architecture Awards
17 BC(A)R Bulletins / Information Papers

46% - 58% opening rate of RIAI Members and Public E-Newsletters (industry average is 16.8%)

55% of the visitors to the RIAI website were new visitors

100+ attend the RIAI Annual Awards
130 RIAI online communications with Members including the fortnightly newsletter RIAI Online, practice newsletter and special news alerts
833 consultations RIAI Simon Open Door 2013
1,000 Advice Clinic Consultations in 2013 – Ploughing Championships and Ideal Home Exhibitions
4,700 consultations for Simon Open Door since 2004

€42,470 raised for Simon Communities in 2013
144,054 unique visitors to the RIAI website

€211,883 advertising revenue of RIAI Simon Open Door
€253,466 direct advertising value of RIAI Annual Awards coverage
€330,000 raised by RIAI Simon Open Door since 2004
1. CELEBRATING ARCHITECTURAL QUALITY

RIAi Gold Medal 2004-2006; RIAi Gandon Medal for Life-time Achievement; RIAi Irish Architecture Awards 2013

1.1 RIAI GOLD MEDAL 2004-2006

The RIAI promotes excellence in architecture and awards medals for outstanding achievement. The RIAI Gold Medal is the highest award for architecture in Ireland.

The President of Ireland, Michael D. Higgins, presented the RIAI Gold Medal, 2004-2006 on 8 November to architects Tom Maher and Kevin Bates for their evocative retreat cabins ‘Poustinia’. President Higgins highlighted the importance that the “architectural imagination” makes to society and cited as examples a long lineage of Gold Medal Winners – from Michael Scott’s seminal Busáras to more recent winners including the pioneering Ranelagh Multi-denomination School (O’Donnell + Tuomey Architects) and the landmark Croke Park Stadium (Gilroy McMahon Architects).

“My wish is that the architectural imagination will lead the construction sector and not a fictional economy based on speculation.”

President, Michael D. Higgins

The Gold Medal Jury visited all shortlisted buildings and four were deemed to be of “exceptional quality particularly in vital aspects of brief interpretation, development, and the subsequent imaginative creation of form and detail”. The closeness of the competition between the top four contenders, any of which might well have achieved gold at another time, is reflected in the highly commended status of three of the recommendations. The jury for the Gold Medal 2004-2006 were architects Des McMahon (Chair and Gold Medal winner for DIT Bolton Street and Croke Park Stadium), Dermot Boyd, John McLaughlin, Klaus Unger and Michael McGarry.

RIAi Gold Medal Winner: Poustinia

Architects: Tom Maher and Kevin Bates
Location: Glencomeragh House, Co Tipperary
1. RIAI GOLD MEDAL WINNER - POUSTINIA, CO. TIPPERARY
2. HIGHLY COMMENDED - ÁRAS CHILL DARA
3. HIGHLY COMMENDED - LEWIS GLUCKSMAN GALLERY, UCC
4. HIGHLY COMMENDED - SAP BUILDING, GALWAY
Highly Commended
Áras Chill Dara (Kildare County Offices)
Architects: heneghan peng architects in association with Arthur Gibney & Partners
Location: Naas, County Kildare

Highly Commended
Lewis Glucksman Gallery, University College Cork
Architects: O’Donnell + Tuomey Architects
Location: UCC, Cork

Highly Commended
SAP Global Operations Centre, Galway
Architects: Bucholz McEvoy Architects
Location: Galway

1.2. RIAI GANDON MEDAL: KEVIN ROCHE
The Irish born, US-based architect Kevin Roche received the RIAI James Gandon Medal for Lifetime Achievement in November 2013. Ireland’s Pritzker Prize-winning architect Kevin Roche. Based in Hamden, Connecticut (US), and still practising architecture in his early 90s, Kevin Roche looks back over a long and distinguished career.

Kevin Roche studied architecture at UCD from 1940 to 1945 where the education philosophy was firmly embedded in the Beaux Arts tradition. Following graduation, he worked with Michael Scott on projects including Busáras and Donnybrook bus garage. In 1948, he was drawn however to graduate studies with Mies van der Rohe in Chicago at the Illinois Institute of Technology. In 1949, Roche went to New York where he worked for Harrison Abramovitz, the firm overseeing the construction of the United Nations building. In 1950 he joined Eero Saarinen and Associates in the Spring of 1950. Saarinen’s untimely death in 1961 left Kevin Roche and John Dinkeloo to finish such iconic projects as the TWA Terminal at Kennedy Airport, New York; the Gateway Arch in St Louis, Missouri; and the CBS Tower, New York. Over the next few decades Roche became recognised as one of the great architects of the late 20th century – which was acknowledged by the Pritzker Prize in 1982. Architect Tony Reddy, who worked with Kevin Roche in his Hamden writes in the RIAI Annual Review, Irish Architecture, Vol. 4:

“Kevin Roche is surely one of the most significant architects of the late 20th century. His Ford Foundation and Oakland Museum are epoch-defining buildings
1. President Michael D. Higgins presents the RIAI Gold Medal to Tom Maher and Kevin Bates
and the entire body of his work is a testament to his place in the architectural firmament. Let us celebrate his achievements with the RIAI James Gandon Medal and marvel at his continuing commitment to his work and profession."

1.3. IRISH ARCHITECTURE AWARDS 2013
The 2013 RIAI Irish Architecture Awards were presented on 4 July 2013 at the Wood Quay Venue, Dublin City Council. Thirteen Awards were presented across a wide range of categories, including a new award for Best Universal Design, supported by the Centre for Excellence in Universal Design. The 2013 winner of the RIAI Public Choice Award – voted online for by the Irish public and announced live on RTE Radio One, Morning Ireland – was the UCD Student Centre by Fitzgerald Kavanagh & Partners.

The Awards evening was attended by over 100 architects and their clients. Presentations were made by the Minister of Education and Skills, Ruairi Quinn, TD and RIAI President Michelle Fagan, Minister Quinn praised the high standard of the award-winning projects and said that he was “bowled over by the collective achievement”.

“The quality of these projects could only be found in international magazines a few decades ago. But you have arrived home, you should be proud of your achievement”.

Ruari Quinn, Minister for Education & Skills

RIAI President Michelle Fagan said: “These awards highlight the quality architecture that Ireland possesses, that is constantly commended internationally. Good architecture has a positive impact on a country’s reputation. The buildings in the awards illustrate that quality delivers the best value for money and we need to ensure that our architecture reflects us and our aspirations. The RIAI are honoured to showcase the very best of Irish architecture and will continue to drive awareness of this excellence both at home and abroad.”

The PR campaign for the awards was very successful and there have been sixty unique pieces of media coverage, with a direct advertising value of €253,466.22, a PR value of €760,398.99 and a circulation/listenership/viewership of 3,495,853 people.
Highlights of RIAI coverage in the Media includes:

- RTE Radio One *Morning Ireland* programme launched the Public Choice vote with an interview with RIAI President Michelle Fagan
- RTE Six One News ran a report on the awards on the night of the awards, featuring the Public Choice Winner, President Michelle Fagan and the winning architects
- *Morning Ireland* ran an interview with President Michelle Fagan on the morning of the awards
- *The Irish Times* ran a piece in the main news section
- *The Sunday Times* published a five page feature
- *The Irish Independent*, ran a piece with an image
- *The Examiner*, ran two separate pieces on the awards - one with an image of the public choice winner with their award
2) ARCHITECTURE AND THE PROFESSION: CONFERENCES

EFAP Conference; RIAI Annual Conference; BIM Gathering; Education Conference

2.1. EUROPEAN FORUM FOR ARCHITECTURE POLICIES (EFAP), DUBLIN CASTLE - 9-10 MAY 2013

“An Architect should think like a Poet but act like an Accountant.”

Ciaran O’Connor, State Architect

Coinciding with Ireland’s Presidency of the Council of the European Union, the RIAI participated in May 2013 in two major European activities: the Annual Conference and Assembly of the European Forum on Architectural Policies (EFAP) and a European Perspective on Building Control.

Shaping the Future – A Forum on Ireland’s Contribution to Sustainable Development

With over 120 delegates and key stakeholders gathering at Dublin Castle, Martin Colreavy, Principal Advisor, Built Heritage and Architectural Policy, described the “key objective of the EFAP conference to discuss how to build on Council Conclusions on Architecture 2008 in the context of the overall theme of the Irish Presidency of stability, jobs and growth”.

The implication of European architectural policies was discussed in four round tables with engaging presentations on a range of European perspectives. A major Taking Stock report was launched at EFAP and was presented to the Council of Culture Ministers meeting by Jimmy Deenihan, TD, Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht on 17 May. EFAP was coordinated by the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, with support from the OPW, the Department of the Environment and the RIAI.

2.2. RIAI ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2013 – ARCHITECTURE MATTERS AT THE RDS, 29|30 SEPTEMBER.

With the theme ‘Architecture Matters’, the RIAI Annual Conference took place on 29/30 September in the RDS Dublin. Day 1 of the conference looked at practice – with illustrations of how different types of practices have succeeded by adapting to their changing environment, and through specialisation. The first day also examined the increasingly demanding area of adaption and reuse of buildings – looking at the design and legislation challenges that architects and technologists are facing. The presentation of the Certificates to Honorary Members marked the end of
the first day of the conference, which concluded with a reception party in Meeting House Square, Temple Bar, sponsored by Kilsaran.

**Day 2** focused on the big picture issues – economy, drivers of demand and an update on all of the pertinent changes to practice – BC(A)R, Contracts, and general RIAI news. It was followed by an open discussion on BC(A)R.

**2.3. THE BIM GATHERING, 14-15 NOVEMBER 2013**

The BIM Gathering took place at the Guinness Storehouse on 14-15 November and brought together international Building Information Modelling experts with Ireland’s design and construction community. It was also an excellent opportunity for Irish Architects and Architectural Technologists to showcase their skills and demonstrate their commitment to BIM to a global market. The BIM Gathering was organised with an outstanding board of Scientific Committee members to ensure a high academic standard of published papers. The BIM Gathering fostered networking and collaboration among participants to advance the knowledge and identify major trends in the field.

The RIAI was a supporter of this event which was organised by the Construction IT Alliance (CITA).

**2.4. EDUCATION CONFERENCE: INCLUSIVE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTS**

A day-long seminar on ‘Inclusive School Environments’ was hosted by the RIAI ‘Design for Education Group’ (DFEG) and the Department of Education and Skills (DES) on 22 November 2013 to review Special Needs Education in Ireland in the light of European policy and practice, and the role of architects in creating inclusive environments.

The audience of 60 stakeholders in education heard presentations from policy makers and advisors, inspectors, researchers, school managers and principals, and architects. Four sessions were devoted to:

- Special Needs Education Policy and its implementation in Ireland and Europe
- personal experiences of special education and research in the field
- schools’ experience and practice
- current DES Briefing to designers

The seminar showed the need for continuing research and the willingness of those involved to examine the current policy of partial integration, review the effectiveness of the approach to special needs teaching, examine alternatives such as the Finnish model and
change in response to evidence-based practice. Above all the day demonstrated the continuing need to adopt equality of opportunity for all the nation’s children as the guiding principle for education policy and practice.

3. ARCHITECTURE AND THE PUBLIC
Simon Open Door - RIAI at Ploughing Championships and Ideal Homes - Exhibitions at the Architecture Centre - Lectures at the RIAI - RIAI Touring Exhibitions - Launch of Walks + Talks

The RIAI’s focus on creating public awareness of architecture through exhibitions, events, special initiatives and publications arises from a simple premise – a building designed by an architect is a better building. The RIAI actively works to make architecture relevant to a wider audience by providing platforms for public and architects to meet and breaking down perceived barriers in order to engage with people who do not plan to work with architects on their projects. We also promote architecture both nationally and internationally to develop new opportunities for RIAI Members.

3.1. SIMON OPEN DOOR, 11 AND 12 MAY 2013
Conceived by the RIAI in 2004, Simon Open Door is a simple yet fantastic scheme, benefitting both the Simon Communities of Ireland and members of the public. Anyone can sign up and, in return for a €50 donation, meet with a registered architect and get ideas for house extensions, new builds or making a house more energy efficient.

The 9th annual Simon Open Door ran over the weekend of 11-12 May 2013 and was supported by over 200 practices who conducted 833 consultations and has raised €42,470 this year. This was the second highest number of consultations ever achieved by the event and the feedback from the members who participated has been excellent.

“I had a very busy day on Saturday! Originally, I had three slots available on the Saturday, but for some reason, I ended up with seven appointments running through from 10.00am to 5.00pm with only a short coffee break! (...) All those that attended will be followed up and receive an email from my office to thank them for their attendance and for supporting the Simon Open Door campaign. It is many years since
I had to facilitate for many appointments on one day, busy, tiring but delighted to participate in the event. Things could be looking up!"

“I would like to thank you for organising this years Simon Open Door Day, it was a great success nationally with such an increase in bookings. I had 9 consultations over the two days and while tough going at times, it was a great experience and felt good to be part of such a worthwhile event. It is worth noting that this year was the first year I felt that some of the consultations may result in actual projects so it may be a sign of a change in the economic climate.”

To streamline the administration of the event, a new online system was developed to enable architects to register their availability online. Dermot Bannon again acted as spokesperson for the event and an extensive public relations and advertising campaign was developed.

Since the campaign started nine years ago 4,700 consultations have been held between architects and the public, and over €330,000 has been raised to help fund the Simon Communities programmes around the country.

3.2. NEW RIAI INITIATIVE - WALKS + TALKS
To provide more public engagement with architecture and the built environment, the RIAI launched a new initiative in 2013 – ‘Walks + Talks’. The initiative draws on the award-winning and short-listed buildings of the annual Irish Architecture Awards and replaces the travelling exhibition with a more dynamic scheme of building tours and talks. Architects of the shortlisted buildings in the awards were invited to give a tour or a lecture (or both) about their project. Through a targeted media campaign – including social media on the RIAI online platforms – the public was invited to experience and get an understanding of the buildings and to hear the architects talk about their work. The RIAI programme complements initiatives such as the city-based Open House, as it reaches nationwide and, in particular, rural audiences. ‘Walks + Talks’ commenced in 2013 and continued into 2014. Visited buildings included:

- Presentation College Bray, Paul Keogh Architects
- National School Carnaun, Athenry, Paul Dillon Architects
- Bord Gáis Networks, Denis Byrne Architects
MAKING ARCHITECTURE RELEVANT

1. SIMON OPEN DOOR
2. NEW RIAI INITIATIVE - WALKS + TALKS
3. PRINT BLOCK, EXHIBITION AND LECTURES

PRINT BLOCK PRESENTS SITE SPECIFIC TEXTILE WORKS FOR THE RIAI: 8 MERRION SQUARE, DUBLIN 2

PREVIEW 5TH NOVEMBER

WITH TALKS AT 5.30PM
DRINKS RECEPTION: 7 - 8.30PM

AT THE RIAI MERRION SQUARE
15TH - 18TH NOV
3.3. RIAI ADVICE CLINICS AT THE PLOUGHING CHAMPIONSHIPS AND IDEAL HOME EXHIBITION

The RIAI continues to develop opportunities to bring the work of members to new audiences and to develop opportunities for members of the public to meet with their local architects.

The National Ploughing Championships, Stradbally, Co. Laois - 24-26 September 2013

Following on from its successful inaugural participation, the RIAI had a presence again at the National Ploughing Championships at Ratheniska, Co. Laois. The RIAI stand provided an opportunity for members of the public to meet with architects about potential projects and 18 registered architects gave one-to-one advice with over 300 consultations taking place.

Participating architects were briefed beforehand in an advice note from the RIAI, on specific topics that might arise. An RIAI public leaflet called “Working with a Registered Architect” dealing with these and other issues, produced in 2012, was also available.

RIAI Advice Clinics at the Ideal Home Exhibitions, Dublin RDS

The RIAI held two successful advice clinics at the Ideal Home Exhibition, RDS Dublin at the Spring and Autumn Show. In total, close to 700 consultations between architects and potential clients were held over the two weekends. This brings to over 1000 the consultations held between the Ploughing Championships and the Ideal Home Exhibitions in 2013.

These big consumer events provide an excellent opportunity for the RIAI and Members to speak with people who are planning building projects but may not be thinking about working with architects. Most of the members who participated this year felt that they would get work from the meetings. The Autumn Ideal Home show was particularly busy and there was a sense of increased optimism among home owners who arrived well prepared with sale-agreed brochures, plans for extensions and sites for new build houses. The organisers of the show reported that over 31,800 visitors attended the autumn event, a significant increase on last year’s Autumn Show.

3.4. THE ARCHITECTURE CENTRE

In autumn 2013, the RIAI re-launched its exhibition venue – The Architecture Centre. The RIAI had provided a free office space in the basement for the Irish Architecture Foundation, who moved in 2013 to new premises in Earlsfort Terrace, National Concert Hall. With the space returned, the RIAI developed an exhibition programme, which included:
Print Block, Exhibition and Lectures – In Collaboration with Dublin’s Textile Print Collective 5-18 November 2013
Coinciding with Ireland’s annual design celebration, Design Week, Print Block at the RIAI featured a site-specific collection of designs inspired by Dublin’s historic and contemporary architecture. The designs, which are hand screen-printed onto fabric in Print Block’s Dublin studio, were large-scale pieces installed in a site-specific manner, interacting with and within the space. The exhibition demonstrated the use of fabrics as central to the design process for use within interiors and architectural projects.

An evening of talks, entitled “Textile Architecture”, on 5 November explored the synergy between textiles and buildings. Speakers included: Angela Rolfe, Assistant Principal Architect, Office of Public Works; textile artist Trish Belford; lecturer Ruth Morrow; Liz Nilsson, a Swedish born textile artist, designer and co-founder of Print Block; and Olga Tiernan, co-founder of Print Block.

RKD 100 – Celebrating 100 Years in Practice
25 November until 20 December 2013
2013 marked 100 years of practice for RKD Architects.

To celebrate this important milestone, the RIAI hosted an exhibition of RKD’s work over the past century, tracing back the practice’s roots to 1913 when Johnny Robinson & Cyril (“Dick”) Keefe established the firm. They had a reputation for embracing modernism and high quality design. The exhibition presented the buildings designed by RKD over three generations and showed how the work of RKD helped to shape the architectural landscape in Ireland. The exhibition was accompanied by a series of lunchtime lectures, which featured eminent speakers including Dr Ellen Rowley from Trinity College Dublin, Brian Ward from Dublin Institute of Technology, and architect and lecturer at Limerick University, Peter Carroll.

RIAI - Merrion Square Christmas on the Square
The RIAI building opened on 30 November as part of Merrion Square Christmas on the Square. This was a well-attended event with over 300 people visiting the RIAI bookshop, enjoying a ‘Wildean Salon’ in the Council Rooms and the RKD exhibition in the Architecture Centre.
1. HUBERT FROYEN, LECTURE ON UNIVERSAL DESIGN WITH CEUD
2. RAYMUND RYAN, RIAI HONORARY MEMBER 2013
3.5. RIAI TOURING EXHIBITIONS
Exhibition at the RIBA – Award-Winning Irish Architecture March 2013
The RIBA’s Florence Gallery in London showed an exhibition on new and award-winning Irish Architecture in March 2013. The exhibition displayed the work of Irish architects, current and historic, at home and aboard in a wide range of sectors – including housing, commercial projects, healthcare, education, and sustainability and conservation projects. The exhibition was developed for an Irish Architecture Showcase in Shanghai in 2012, with the support of the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht which promoted the cultural identity of Irish architecture and initiated dialogue on cultural and education exchanges.

Speaking at the London opening RIAI President Michelle Fagan said “This exhibition highlights the significant achievement of Irish Architects, showing a context and identity for Irish Architecture through our buildings. The RIAI works to promote the importance of a quality built environment and how it delivers - to its clients adding value to their built assets; contributing to the quality of living environment for citizens, and how it can contribute to the decision making for FDI, international research has shown that the quality of the living environment contributes significantly to the decision making of multinationals when deciding where to invest”. RIBA President Angela Brady added:

“We are delighted to welcome the RIAI exhibition to the RIBA. This exhibition shows the strength of Irish architecture from its historic roots to present day, with a great selection of world class architecture and its ability to attract attention overseas to new markets”.

The RIAI has been working extensively to promote the quality, diversity and culture of Irish Architects’ work internationally and supporting the increasing number of Irish Architectural practices working overseas. A European survey has shown that 26% of Irish Architecture practices’ turnover was generated from export work in 2011.

Following its successful London showing, the exhibition was on view in Galway as part of the Open House Galway in October 2013. This exhibition was developed with the support of the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht under the Government Policy on Architecture. The support of Kilsaran in mounting this exhibition at the RIBA is kindly acknowledged.
3.6. RIAI LECTURES

RIAI / CEUD Lecture by Hubert Froyen, 21 May 2013

The RIAI and the Centre of Excellence of Universal Design hosted a lecture by the Belgian architect and universal design expert, Hubert Froyen, on 21 May 2013 at the CEUD, National Disability Authority, Dublin. The lecture coincided with Hubert Froyen chairing the judging panel for the new Universal Design category in this year’s RIAI Architecture Awards. The Belgian architect and Emeritus Professor, Hubert Froyen is author of the acclaimed book – Universal Design, A Methodological Approach, published in 2012 by the Institute for Human Centred Design in Boston (US). Froyen was Professor at PHL / UHasselt Department of Architecture (Diepenbeek Campus) from 1996 until 2012 and is co-Founder of the first Belgian Office for Accessibility and holder of the Ron Mace Award. An interview with Hubert Froyen by Architecture Ireland can be found on architectureireland.ie

RIAI Raymund Ryan Lecture – Homeandawaywithwords, 25 November 2013

Pittsburgh-based Irish architectural critic and curator Raymund Ryan received an Honorary Membership from the RIAI in November 2013. On this occasion, he gave a lecture at the RIAI, homeandawaywithwords, exploring his enduring relationship with Irish architecture from his new adopted home in Pittsburgh. The booked out lecture was attended by over 70 members and public. Valerie Mulvin, who read the citation said:

“Raymund Ryan, curator of the Heinz Architectural Centre at the Carnegie Museum of Art in Pittsburgh, has been a tireless advocate of architectural design and in particular Irish architecture, over the past 25 years. In his role as a curator as well as in his prolific writing and publishing, his critical view and incisive judgement have raised the profile of Irish architecture, the level of discourse on architectural design, and the quality of architectural writing. His work is highly regarded internationally, his knowledge and insight into the architectural world second to none. Always an open and insatiable traveller, his boundless energy, integrity and determination are sharpened by his legendary wit, and encyclopedic field of reference which has kept his readership on their toes since his days as Raymundo Galleria, restaurant critic of Column, the School of Architecture’s newspaper in the early 80s. A warm and loyal friend and colleague, we recommended him for honorary membership of this Institute, hoping that he will accept this honour secure in the knowledge...”
that he won’t have to worry too much about the new Building Regulations and that his word in this town will always be good. “ Raymund Ryan has been a contributor to ‘Architecture Ireland’ for over 15 years, where readers have enjoyed his insightful reviews. A former contributing editor to Blueprint (London), he is a frequent contributor to The Architectural Review (London), The Plan (Bologna) and the RIAI Annual Review, Irish Architecture (Vols 1-4).

4. ARCHITECTURE AND COMMUNICATIONS

4.1. RIAI ONLINE COMMUNICATIONS

The RIAI had a busy year with communications to Members including its regular fortnightly E-newsletter, RIAI Online, with information on news, events and cpd. In addition, we sent special newsletters on developments relating to the BC(A)R and regular information bulletins for practices, regions, architectural technologists etc. In total we circulated in 2013:

- 130 RIAI information newsletters and news items – these include members, practices, regions and public newsletters
  Of these were:
  - 17 Special BC(A)R Information newsletters and email bulletins
  - 26 RIAI Online – Members online newsletters campaigns
  - 17 Practice RIAI newsletters
  - 12 monthly RIAI Public newsletters – the list of subscribers has substantially grown in 2013 from 490 (January) to 867 (December)

Opening rates for communications with members are well above industry average – between 46% and 58% (industry average is 16.8%) – which is evidence of an engaged audience. RIAI Members regularly contribute content to the newsletters on new projects, publications, awards and competition success. These high opening rates continue also into our public campaigns, with a 46% - 58% opening rate (industry average is 16.8%) of our Public Newsletters.

5. RIAI WEBSITE: PUBLIC AND MEMBERS HOMEPAGE

The RIAI Communications Task Force, was set up in 2012 to provide support, ideas and expertise for an effective communication between the RIAI and its audiences. The members of the task force were: Orla Fitz. Gerald (Chair), Michelle Fagan, Ali Grehan, Emma Curley, Douglas Carson, Declan O’Donnell, Hanna Loughnane and Mike Morris. From the RIAI are involved: Kathryn Meghen, John Graby, Sandra
A core objective of the task force has been to improve navigation, engagement and content of the RIAI Public Homepage. This has resulted in a detailed website brief for 2013, which has been implemented throughout the year. The research of the RIAI Communications Task Force has also shown very positive statistics of the RIAI website. Online Marketing Consultancy Elucidate had examined the RIAI website in the previous year and had already identified “a healthy, steady increase in visitor levels in the last 12 months”, culminating in 100,000 unique visitors during 2012. In 2013, the RIAI further developed website content and traffic:

A brief study of Google Analytics for the year 1 January 2013 to 1 January 2014 has shown:
- The RIAI website received over 144,054 unique visitors during the period; 55.2% of these were new visitors; this represents an increase in visitors’ levels of 13.86%.
- The average page view is 3.68 seconds with average visit duration of 3.04 minutes. The most visited Pages are: the RIAI Homepage (riai.ie), RIAI JobSearch (with a record of 242.48 % increase from previous year), the Practice Directory, and the Members Site, where we have published information relating to BC(A)R
- Mobile vs desktop - The numbers of visitors accessing the RIAI website through mobile devices is substantially growing from 16,180 visitors in 2012 to 31,621 visitors in 2013 (an increase of 95.43%), while tablet users have increased by 133.41%

**Development of the RIAI Website in 2013**
- Redesign of the RIAI Homepage
- Analysis of most searched content by members and public using Google Analytics
- Comparative Analysis of websites by other architectural Institutes and relevant organisations
- Clearer and more effective navigation on the RIAI public homepage
- Topical and changing news content in the large banner window
- New Action fields with direct calls to action: ‘Check the Register’
- New links to social media – RIAI Twitter and Facebook

The RIAI Communications Task Force also wrote a brief for the RIAI Members Homepage and implemented a series of improvements and new content including:
- Clearer layout of the image buttons relating to the most searched content for items relating to ‘Members’, ‘Practices’ and ‘Task Forces’
New content including:
- New BC(A)R section - which hosts the RIAI Information Papers and updates on BC(A)R
- Online Payments - new e-commerce function, providing a direct link to online payments
- New area for ‘Conservation’

6. RIAI PUBLICATIONS

6.1. ARCHITECTURE IRELAND

Architecture Ireland (Editor Sandra O’Connell) produced six issues in 2013 including – with the support of the Government Policy on Architecture (GPA) – a Special Issue on Conservation, Reuse and Adaptation (AI 270) and a Special Issue on Fit-Out Design, which was considered a particular growth area in 2013. The final issue of the year, AI 272, had a focus on ‘New Public Works’ as well as on the RIAI Gold Medal, the ‘Year in Architecture’ (key events in 2013) and BC(A)R. In 2013 the editorial board of Architecture Ireland was joined by new members: Eleanor Heylin-Kelly; Steve Larkin; Peter McGovern and architectural graduate Michael Hayes.

6.2. RIAI ANNUAL REVIEW, IRISH ARCHITECTURE

The RIAI Annual Review, Irish Architecture, 2013-14 (Vol 4), was launched on 12 December 2013 by Jimmy Deenihan, Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht. The RIAI Annual Review, Irish Architecture (Editor Sandra O’Connell) was conceived back in 2010 – with support from the Government Policy on Architecture – to give a platform to the success of Irish architecture both in Ireland and internationally. Volume 4 features essays, competitions, and coverage on the RIAI Gold Medal and the RIAI Gandon Medal for Kevin Roche as well as 20 projects drawn from the Irish Architecture Awards cycles 2012 and 2013. Aside from bookshops nationally, the book was circulated to stakeholders in the built environment as well as business leaders – including potential Foreign Direct Investment companies - who are procuring buildings. The book is also distributed internationally – to Irish Embassies and overseas offices of Enterprise Ireland – as well as key RIAI international contacts such as Tongji University in China and the RIBA Bookshop in London.

7. PROCURING A QUALITY BUILT ENVIRONMENT: COMPETITIONS AND DESIGN REVIEWS

DCU Competition; Launch of Primary School Competition
Competitions are considered the life-blood of the profession and architects through the competition
1. AI 269, MAY/JUNE 2013 NEW WORKPLACE INTERIORS
2. AI 270, JULY/AUGUST 2013 RE-USE AND ADAPTATION
3. AI 271, SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2013 SPACES FOR 21ST CENTURY LEARNING
4. RIAI ANNUAL REVIEW, IRISH ARCHITECTURE IN THE RIBA BOOKSHOP, LONDON
process make a significant contribution to society and to a quality built environment. In 2013 the RIAI held a number of successful competitions.

7.1. DCU MAIN ENTRANCE DESIGN COMPETITION
The RIAI administered an open, one-stage competition for a New Main Entrance at Dublin City University. The objective of the competition was to reinvigorate the appearance and functionality of the campus as well bring DCU’s vision and brand expression of Ireland’s University of Enterprise to life.

The winning entry is by London-based ZaP Architecture, headed up by Irish-born Pol Gallagher. Second Place went to de Blacam and Meagher Architects and Third Place to Maguire McBrien. The judges praised the winning entry as a scheme that had “fulfilled all the aspirations of the design brief, creating an exciting, memorable and timeless new main entrance for the University. The design focuses on the threshold between Collins Avenue and the University with an assembly of multiple glulam masts of varying height, on both sides of the entrance, like copses of stripped back trees. This loose arrangement of verticals is visually distinctive, and symbolises the students, staff and graduates that constitute the University.” The Second Place entry by de Blacam and Meagher was described by the jury as “exceptional for the breadth of vision put forward”, in particular, its proposal for Collins Avenue to be landscaped with London Plane trees in the manner of Baggot Street or Griffith Avenue”. Third Place by Maguire McBrien was lauded as “an efficient and elegant solution for the new gateway and campus generally”.

Commended entries were by David Flynn Architect (MRIAI); architect Andrzej Toborek (MRIAI); and architect Cian Deegan (MRIAI) with Alice Casey and Hugo Lamont.

The Competition Jury included:
Seán Harrington MRIAI (Chair)
Prof Brian MacCraith, DCU President
Dr Declan Raftery, DCU CEO
Ms Teresa Murray, DCU Head of Communications and Marketing
Michael Kelly DCU, Director, Estates Office
Tony Reddy FRIAI, DCU masterplanning architect
Steve Larkin MRIAI
7.2. DoES / RIAI PRIMARY SCHOOLS COMPETITION
In 2013, the RIAI launched the international competition, an open, single-stage architectural design ideas contest. Ruairí Quinn T.D. Minister for Education & Skills announced the winner and shortlisted entries at the Department of Education’s conference ‘Designing Primary Schools for 21st Century Learners’, held in partnership with OECD and the RIAI at the Printworks Conference Centre, Dublin Castle on 7 March 2014.

**MAIN AWARD**
Gilroy McMahon Architects

**SECOND PRIZE**
Kim Dreyer Architect

**THIRD PRIZE**
Coady Partnership

**SHORT-LISTED**
Avanti Architects
John O’Neill Architect
John McLaughlin Architects
Séan Harrington Architects

7.3 NEW RIAI INITIATIVE: DESIGN REVIEWS
The Kilkenny Design Review
In 2013, The RIAI and Kilkenny County & Borough Council’s joined in pioneering an innovative urban design process for the Diageo/Smithwick’s Brewery, which has operated at the site for over 300 years and which was due to become vacant. The historic site, at St Francis Abbey, offers a major development opportunity which will significantly impact on the future of the city. Supported by the Departments of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht under the Government’s Policy on Architecture 2009-2015, the process involved eleven architects, along with planning, engineering and property advisors examining the potential of the site taking into consideration the city in its totality, including its economy, history and demographics, to ensure that the development of the site delivers the best design solutions.

The experts conducted a site visit in December 2012, and had a second two day meeting in February 2013 which produced a variety of different design approaches and philosophies which have been compiled into a comprehensive report. The Report was launched in May 2013 and speaking at the launch event RIAI President, Michelle Fagan, said the new process is very exciting and a first in Ireland.
“This new process, which is internationally recognised, ensures that the development of the site delivers the maximum return for the city, not just in economic terms but as a long term sustainable addition to the city for generations to come. The objective is to look at a city quarter or town in its totality – by examining the historic development of the city and understanding the current challenges, economic and demographic in order to put forward high level usage.” Martin Colreavy, Principal Advisor at the Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaelteacht, noted that one of the key aims of the Government Policy in Architecture is to encourage innovative approaches to high quality urban design.

“Kilkenny is a special place and the Diageo/Smithwick’s site is of special importance. The new design enabling process piloted in Kilkenny will be of interest and value for the design of important sites across the country”.

Joe Crockett, Kilkenny County and City Manager, said the site represents a great development opportunity.

“The highest design principles are appropriate for what is the perfect development site with some 12 acres in total at the centre of one of Ireland’s best cities. We are very excited about this new design approach and are confident that this site will attract high level business and development to Kilkenny”

Kilkenny Mayor, Seán Ó hArgáin, said: “Smithwick’s has been part of Kilkenny for generations and this new process will help us to get great design solutions which will be right for generations to come”.

The Review Panel were: Joe Crockett County & City Manager; Freddie O’Dwyer, Senior Architectural Advisor, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht; John Kelly Architect BSM; Pat McCormack Chartered Surveyor; James Nugent Chartered Surveyor Lisneys; John Mulholland Director of Services KCC with responsibility of the Borough Council area; Niall McCullough Architect; Tony Reddy Architect; Philip O’Neill Director of Services (Water & Environment); James Pike Architect; Merritt Bucholz Architect; Chris Boyle Architect/UCD; Paul Keogh Architect; Shelley McNamara Architect; Karl Kent Architect and former member of An Bord Pleanála; Denis Malone Senior Planner Kilkenny Local Authorities; Martin Colreavy, Principal Advisor, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht; Aileen Doyle, Senior Adviser-Planning and Housing Division, DCELG; Michael Hayes, Rapporteur.
1. MAIN AWARD - GILROY MCMAHON ARCHITECTS
2. SECOND PRIZE - KIM DREYER ARCHITECT
3. THIRD PRIZE - COADY PARTNERSHIP
4. WINNER DCU ENTRANCE COMPETITION, ZAP ARCHITECTURE
COMMUNICATIONS WITH MEMBERS
AND PRACTICES AND PRACTICE
DIRECTOR’S SERVICE TO THE RIAI
MEMBERSHIP

Members’ problems tend to be more acute in a recession as a number of factors relating to procedures and decision making, need careful consideration. Casual decision making combined with non-standard procedures can create allegations of negligence and incompetence, resulting in notifications to the Professional Indemnity Insurers.

Although Members’ problems and difficulties will vary from year to year, there are common underlying problems to be resolved, mostly during the administration of building contracts, difficulties with contractors, determining a contract, certification and opinions on compliance.

Contractual difficulties prominently featured in request for advice, in particular relating to interim certification, over-certification, non-payment of certificates, practical completion, disputed defects lists, client interference, cost overrun, contract time overrun, and the application of liquidated and ascertained damages. Members’ advice is frequently sought on planning and building regulation, appropriate use of building contracts and warranties, the vetting of letters on behalf of Members, to clients, clients’ legal advisors, and contractors.

By seeking early advice from the RIAI, many of the Members’ difficulties can be resolved, or a procedure can be established to mitigate risks of serious contractual difficulties with clients, local authorities and building contracts. There is a considerable body of knowledge from the RIAI Director, Practice Director, the Practice Committee, the Historic Building Committee, Accessibility Task Force, and Sustainability Task Force, available to the Membership: prevention is the best medicine.

Advice on obtaining Professional Indemnity Insurance, insurance levels, notifications, wording of bespoke conditions of engagement, warranties and risk management based on analysis of current claim trends. Throughout the year the Practice Director has obtained legal advice for the benefit of Members and the general Membership.
PRACTICE DIRECTOR’S SERVICE TO THE MEMBERS’ CLIENTS
Confidential advice is frequently sought by clients regarding perceived difficulties they have with their Architect. Normally it is the inexperienced client who seeks advice on the detail of their agreement with the Member, contractual obligations under the building contract and general procedures during the construction stage. Generally clients are satisfied when issues are discussed confidentially with the RIAI CEO and Practice Director and this service can be regarded as a form of mediation, and is greatly appreciated by clients. Occasionally complaints are made against Members.

CHANGES AND UPDATES TO RIAI DOCUMENTS
There were no changes in 2013 to the five RIAI Client/Architect Agreements; or to the four RIAI building contracts.

RIAI PROCUREMENT GROUP IN 2013
Consultation, correspondence and discussion arranged by the RIAI Procurement Group with An Post, HSE Estates re the National Rehabilitation Hospital, and tender procedures for the provision of Architectural Services, the Department of Education and Skills, the OPW and David O’Brien of the GCCC, on RIAI Quality Management System.

THE BUILDING CONTROL (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2013
Negotiations continued with the construction industry “stakeholders” and the DECLG, after the publication of the draft Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2012. The RIAI was represented by the President, Michelle Fagan, John Graby, Toal Ó Muire, Paul Kelly, and in particular Brian Kavanagh on the Code of Practice group which met weekly from June to August. A full report on the BC(A)R 2012 is contained in the RIAI Director’s report.

BC(A)R 2013 – WHAT WAS ACHIEVED?
- The Statutory Instrument and the Code of Practice have been substantially amended by the industry “stakeholders” group
- The Completion Certificate has been re-worded to provide for the Assigned Certifier to rely on the certification, testing and inspections by others
- Similar changes have been made to the Design
Certificate. The term “having exercised reasonable skill, care and diligence” is now included as required by the Professional Indemnity Insurers.

BC(A)R 2013 - RIAI TECHNICAL WORK GROUPS

Four Technical Work Groups (TWGs) were established to advise on the implications of the S.I. and the Code of Practice for Certifying Buildings and Works.

TWG 1: This Group made proposals to deal with certificates, ancillary certification, and periodic inspections of various building types, testing, sub-certification, confirmations and warranties. The Group comprised of Shane Santry, Chair, Donal O’Donoghue, John McCarthy, Fionnuala Rogerson, John Keoghan, Michael Grace, Peter Andrews and Joe Miller.

TWG 2: This Group dealt with required changes to the RIAI Client/ Architect Agreements, RIAI Building Contracts, Contract Performance Bonds, and Collateral Warranties. This Group comprised of Orla Fitz.Gerald, Chair, John Deaton, Jude O’Loughlin, Gemma Healy, Sadhbhanna Ni Floinn and Joe Miller.

TWG 3: This Group dealt with tendering procedures under the BC(A)R 2013. They incorporated the work of Technical Group 1 into the tendering process. They considered the preliminaries for a tender for a domestic dwelling; an evaluation of the risk elements; an Inspection Notification Framework, a Preliminary Inspection Plan for a domestic dwelling to be issued with a Commencement Notice and a Preliminary Site Record template covering all building elements for a domestic dwelling, which will be an expanded version of the Preliminary Inspection Plan. This Group comprised of Mike Beary Chair, Niall Rowan, Kevin Rooney, Michael Haugh, Michael Crowe, Paddy Mac Neill and Joe Miller.

TWG 4: This Group dealt with information technology issues relating to lodgement of digital documentation with the building control authorities. They investigated the quantity and quality of the information to be issued with a Commencement Notice under the BC(A)R 2013, for various types of buildings, including the work of other members of the design team. Consideration was also given to the supplementary information due to design changes, developed design and finalised design.
The Group comprised of Orla Fitz.Gerald, Chair, Ciaran O’Brien, Paul Lennon and Joe Miller.

THE CODE OF PRACTICE (COP) FOR INSPECTING AND CERTIFYING BUILDINGS AND WORKS – CHANGES
- COP confirms that the Assigned Certifier is not required to supervise the work of builders
- Items such as “may” and “all” have been removed from the description of inspection
- Clear statement that it is not practicable for the Assigned Certifier to inspect every item of work to which the Building Regulations relate, or supervise the work of the Builder

RIAI BUILDING CONTRACTS REVIEW GROUP
This group consisting of Niall Meagher, Chair, Dan Daye, James O’Donoghue, Toal Ó’Muiré, Jude O’Loughlin, Vincent Traynor and Joe Miller, is working on modernising and updating the RIAI Articles of Agreement, with, and without quantities.

LIAISON COMMITTEE TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY
The Liaison Committee comprises the RIAI, SCSI, Engineers Ireland, ACEI and the CIF. The committee was formed to agree changes to the RIAI Articles of Agreement and the Code of Practice for Tendering and Contractual Matters, published in 2006. In 2013, the committee through consultation, published on the Liaison Committee website, agreed changes and omissions to the RIAI Articles of Agreement ‘Yellow’, and also similar changes to the ‘Blue’ form. Explanatory notes on the changes and omissions were also prepared by the RIAI and these notes are available both on the RIAI and Liaison websites.

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY COUNCIL
The Construction Industry Council was formed to consolidate the views of the construction professionals, including the RIAI, the Building Materials Federation and the CIF, and to present a common voice to the Irish Government on matters relating to the construction industry.

RIAI/ OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS GRADUATE TRAINING SCHEME 2013
The Office of Public Works in association with the RIAI, operates a Graduate Training programme. A total of 30 architectural graduates are placed on the programme; graduates who have completed their Part 2 training
in a school of architecture. 95 applied in 2013 and 35 were interviewed over a three day period. As a result of the interviews, 15 graduates were employed under the scheme for a three year contract, who supplemented the 15 already working on the programme.

**RIAI/ DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND SKILLS GRADUATE TRAINING SCHEME 2013**

In 2013 the DES continued a graduate training scheme with 2 places on offer for a three year contract period. There were 43 applications for the positions and 9 were interviewed by 2 Architects from the DES and the RIAI Practice Director, over a period of two days. Two candidates were offered and accepted a three year contract.

**RIAI/ CORK CITY COUNCIL GRADUATE TRAINING SCHEME 2013**

In 2013 Cork City commenced a graduate training scheme with 2 places on offer for a three year contract period. There were 37 applications for the positions and 8 were interviewed by 2 Architects from Cork City Council and the RIAI Practice Director, over a period of two days. Two candidates were offered and accepted a three year contract.

**PROCUREMENT – CORRESPONDENCE WITH PROCURERS FOR PUBLIC WORKS**

Some RIAI Practices and Members contacted the RIAI about public procurement requirements set out in tender documents for architectural services. For the most part, they regard themselves as small medium enterprises and believe they are excluded, or cannot qualify, because of onerous or restrictive conditions of the tender.

When the assistance of the RIAI is requested the RIAI will write to the procurer to bring forward, albeit anonymously, the complaint. The RIAI sought the removal of these onerous or restrictive conditions and in many cases they were successful. In other instances, tenders were withdrawn and new tenders sought with modified conditions and requirements.

**FORFÁS IRELAND**

Forfás Ireland was requested to prepare a report on “Ireland’s Construction Sector: Outlook and Strategy Plan to 2015.” The main “stakeholders” in the construction industry were invited to participate in “round table” discussions, and the RIAI participated in the process.
“The RIAI proposed that the employers (home owners) who carry out domestic work to their homes, etc. should be able to get tax credits, possibly on VAT recovery, for the work carried out by a reputable contractor, VAT registered and tax compliant. If a tax credit was available, employers would then insist on the contractor being compliant, rather than using a “black” economy contractor. More contractors could be brought into the tax net.

Figures suggested by Annette Hughes indicate that the domestic market, annually, for renovation/ restoration is about 1/3 of the total construction industry annual spend. Serious consideration must be given to targeting this sector of the market.

We suggest that a category for domestic refurbishment be included, if not already included, in your assessment and recommendations”.

This proposal by the RIAI was included in the Forfás report to Government and subsequently provided for in the 2013 Finance Bill.
Topics for the Committee during 2013 included:
GCCC Contracts; EU Procurement Directive 2013;
Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2013;
Public Procurement; RIAI Planning Survey; Health and
Safety Legislation for Domestic Dwellings; RIAI Good
Practice Guide 5th edition on-line; The RIAI Technical
and Business series; Strengthening the System 2;
Senior Councils’ legal advice on Architect’s liability;
RIAI BC(A)R Technical Work Groups; RIAI Sentiment
Surveys; RIAI Annual Awards; Construction Contracts
Bill; Procurement and the Department of Education and
Skills; Procurement and HSE Estates; BIM Gathering in
November; The Law Society and the Building Control
(Amendment) Regulations 2013; Michael Collins’
paper on Approved Third Party Inspectors; Latent
Defects Insurance; Registration of Builders; RIAI Quality

RIAI SUSTAINABILITY TASK FORCE
Bernard Gilna was the Chair of the RIAI STF for 2013.
The other members were Bill Scott, Paddy de Roe;
Sally Starbuck, Frank Cooney, Marcus Donaghy, Susan
Cogan, Sinead Burke, Pat Kirwan, Darragh Lynch,
Archie O’Donnell, Pat Barry, Mark Costello, Clare White
and Joe Miller. Clare White represented RIAI Council on
the RIAI STF.

The STF considered and discussed, a review of the
Membership and activities of the RIAI STF, as a result
of an ‘Open’ meeting held the previous December.
The STF discussed a draft paper on ‘Healthy Buildings’;
Ventilation and Part F of the Building Regulations; the
‘Green Deal’; Better Energy Home Grants; Planning
Guidelines for Planning Authorities; Water consumption
and water metering; participation in the ‘Better Building
Conference’; RIAI Conservation Conference; Student
Sustainability Award; RIAI Technical series for general
practitioners; Building Regulations Part L implications;
paper on the use of external insulation; information
paper on Waste Management; possible energy
feature on Dermot Bannon’s “About the House”;
the agenda for the Building Control Officers’ annual
conference; local authorities request for full NEAP
compliance information; client briefing on sustainability
issues; paper on “rights to light”; New Health and
Safety Regulations for domestic dwellings; Building
Control (Amendment) Regulations 2013; NSAI retrofit
consultation on the Code of Practice; BREEM, LEED,
DGNB; RIAI Sustainability Awards; a representative for
the RIAI STF from RIAI Council; nZED exhibition day in
November; revisions to DEAP; presentation by Dennis
Byrne at the “See the Light Conference”;
The STF made submissions on revisions to DEAP; Green corner of the RIAI website; IGBC key indicators/rating tools for domestic dwellings and a STF draft guidance note on glazing ratios.

**RIAI HOUSING COMMITTEE**
The Chair of the Housing Committee was Mick McDonagh and the other Members are Michael Crowe, Stephen Manning, Paul Kelly, Michael Landers, Toal Ó’Muiré, Tony Reddy, Derry Solon, Kieran Gallagher, John Morehead, Tara Cooke, Ailbhe Cullen, David Byrne, Darragh Lynch and Joe Miller.
Various matters were discussed including research on storage in housing; Sustainable Communities and the RIAI Housing Committee; Pre ’63 report prepared by Paul Kelly; Dublin City Council and Bed Sits; Housing Standards and Rented Accommodation; withering planning permissions; Housing information on the RIAI website; RIAI Planning Survey 2012-13; Special Policy Committee Reports; the specification and installation of external insulation; Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2013; Health and Safety Regulations 2013 for domestic dwellings, and the Pyrite Resolution Board.

**RIAI ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE**
The Chair of the RIAI Accessibility Task Force was Ruth O’Reilly and the other Members for 2013 were; Michael Mohan, Caitriona Shaffrey, Angela Rolfe, Fionnuala Rogerson, Mark Costello, Isoilde Dillon, Helge Koester, Rory O’Donnellan, Maol Iosa Molloy, Sean McPartlin, Kate Dowling, Aoife Ferris, John Sugars, Rebecca Ryan and Joe Miller.

The ATF workload for 2013 included: the RIAI Universal Design Award; UIA Award; review of the Department of Education and Skills briefs for schools; site visit to Phibblestown School; disabled persons’ grant not being VAT exempt; Hubert Froyen lecture; Universal Design Accreditation; Developing content on the RIAI website; the RIAI Award for the Best Accessible Building, Accessible Sporting facilities; the Schlindler Award; CPD; Building Control (Amendment) Regulations 2013; RIAI Conservation Guidelines; issues related to “institutional building” in the Building Regulations; CEUD; proposed change to the name of the Accessibility Task Force; Accredited CPD in Universal Design; issues around Building Control and Access.
RIAI DESIGN FOR EDUCATION GROUP
The Chair of the Design for Education Group was Jim Coady, and the other Members of the committee were Michael Grace, Siobhan Ní Éanaigh, Tom O’Connor, Michael Mullen, Martin Donnelly, Sheila O’Donnell, Paddy Fletcher, David O’Connor, Ralph Bingham, Michael Williams, Eamonn Greville, Paul Keogh, Mary Duggan, and Michelle Fagan.

The Committee has been very active in preparing advice, not just to Members and Practices, but also to the Department of Education and Skills. Topics and Seminars included; a Primary School Seminar and Colloquium; a Post Primary School Colloquium; Universal Design and the Inclusive School Environment; Schools/Design for Education Conference; the work of the RIAI Procurement Group; Fees and Procurement of Architectural services; Events: the Seminar on the School in the Sustainable Community and the Review of the Primary School Brief.

RIAI HISTORIC BUILDING COMMITTEE
The Chair of the Historic Building Committee was Susan Roundtree and the Members comprised of: Nicki Matthews, Mark Costello, Jacqui Donnelly, David Young, Cathal Crimmins, Kevin Blackwood, Padraig Murray, Grainne Shaffrey, Fionnuala May, Jimmy O’Connor, Richard Mc Loughlin, Alastair Lindsay, and Aoife Hurley. Kevin Smyth joined the HBC late in 2013 as the RIAI Council representative.

The Committee discussed the following during the year: Updating the RIAI Conservation Guidelines; Conservation Accredited Induction Module; Conservation Accreditation System, Web Information and Architecture Ireland; Conservation topics for Architecture Ireland; Conservation Conference planned for the spring 2013; Membership of the HBC Committee; RIAI Communications; matters to be communicated to RIAI Council; the review of the GCCC and a submission by the HBC.

An ‘Open’ meeting of the HBC was held in October 2013, and a presentation by Susan Roundtree was made on the legislative background of conservation; Government Policy on Architecture; RIAI Conservation Guidelines for 1995, 2005, 2010 and 2013; Conservation Accreditation 2003; contributions to RIAI documents; RIAI nominations to other organisations; jurors for Conservation awards; Conservation Induction
Module. Individual presentations were also made by Nicki Matthews on Georgian Dublin, John Redmill on the effectiveness of Protected Structure legislation, and Jimmy O’Connor on working with a Conservation Architect.

**RIAI HEALTHCARE DESIGN COMMITTEE**

The Chair of the RIAI Design for Health Committee was Sean Mahon and the other members for 2013 are Lizette Connolly, Paul de Freine, Aidan Healy, Eleanor Masterson, Donal Blake, Brian Cullen, Hugh Campbell, Esmonde O’Briain, Fionnuala Rogerson, Helen Giblin, and Joanne Coughlan.

**RIAI URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE**

The Chair of the Urban Design Committee for 2013 was Martin Colreavy and the Committee members were David Dwyer, Paul Altman, James Pike, Derbhile McDonagh, Grainne Shaffrey, Noel J Brady, Brian Hogan, Paul Keogh, Eithne Moran, John Mc Laughlin, David Power, Tony Reddy, Peter Twamley, Alan Mee, Philip Jackson and Anne Kiernan.

The Committee discussed the following during the year: high level objectives conclusion; CPD development of the sub-committee proposals; urban design joint seminar or colloquium in 2014; Committee Membership.

**RIAI MEMBERS APPOINTED TO VARIOUS EXTERNAL BODIES.**

- Alastair Lindsay and Frank Cooney to the DCC Heritage Plan Working Group
- Paul Kelly to BRAB
- John Graby/Joe Miller to the Construction Safety Partnership
- Brendan Mac Conville to the Health and Safety Authority, Construction Advisory Committee
- Des Kennedy to the Radon Committee in DECLG
- Niall Kerney to the Irish Agrément Board
- Joe Miller to the Irish Green Building Council
- James O’Donoghue, Jude O’Loughlin, Niall Meagher and Joe Miller to the Liaison Committee to the Construction Industry
- Michelle Fagan, John Graby and Joe Miller to the Construction Industry Council

**THE PRACTICE COMMITTEE CONSULTED WITH OUTSIDE BODIES INCLUDING:**

Law Society of Ireland, Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government.

**RIAI SUBMISSIONS ON VARIOUS CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS**


**AN APPRECIATION OF THE SUPPORT OF MEMBERS**

The Practice Division within the RIAI is supported by the Members without whose assistance the Practice Committee; the Accessibility Task Force; the Housing Committee, the Historic Building Committee, the Sustainability Task Force, Health Care Design Committee, the Design for Education Group and the Urban Design Committee, could not function so successfully.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Communications with the RIAI Membership is conducted by email with regular Practice, Members’ and CPD bulletins, which cover the latest and most salient information available to the RIAI for the benefit of the Members.
EDUCATION REPORT

- 108 new members admitted (Members/Architectural Technologists/Architectural Graduates)
- 16 candidates successfully completed the RIAI Examination in Professional Practice
- RIAI Visiting Boards carried out 4 accreditation visits
- Meeting of Heads of Schools of Architecture
- Practical Training Work Group
- Architect Accredited in Conservation at Grade 3
- Substantial increase in CPD compliance figures
- Increased CPD attendance, 19 courses titles provided and over 1600 training days attended

RIAI Accreditation visits continued throughout 2013 and RIAI CPD delivery increased relative to 2012. 2013 saw a further subvention of the price of RIAI CPD courses and the continuation of the RIAI CPD unwaged and hardship lotteries.

The Education Division of the RIAI, under the management of Sandra Campbell, is responsible for the development, with the Board of Architectural Education (BAE) and Council, of RIAI Education and CPD Policy, development and delivery of the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Programme at national and regional levels, implementation and development of the RIAI CPDEngage, monitoring and responding to the changing education needs of members, CPD funding, coordinating and delivering a comprehensive calendar of educational events.

The Board of Architectural Education exercises responsibility for all educational matters and for assessment of applicants for RIAI membership. The voluntary input of RIAI members, in terms of time, quality and intensity to the BAE, examinations, visiting boards and other educational activities is enormously valuable. Without it the Institute could not provide the services and support that it does to members and potential members alike.

BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION

The BAE held 8 Ordinary meetings in 2013. One special meeting was held in September 2013 to discuss Visiting Board Reports.

David Thomson retired from the BAE in 2013. The RIAI thanks David for his contribution to the work of the Committee.
BOARD OF ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION
ADMISSIONS COMMITTEE

The Board of Architectural Education Admissions Committee considers applications for all grades of RIAI membership and in the course of 2013 considered the following number of applicants eligible for RIAI membership:

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Michael Lamb retired from the Board of Architectural Education Admissions Committee in 2013. The RIAI thanks Michael for his contribution to the work of the Committee. Membership of the Committee for 2013 was as follows: Martin Donnelly, Chairperson; Jim Murphy; Neville Verdon; Deirdre Hargaden; Cathy Prunty; Sandra Campbell; Margaret Hynds O’Flanagan.

The RIAI thanks the current and outgoing members of the Board of Architectural Education Admissions Committee members for their dedication to the important task of considering applications for RIAI membership.

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EXAMINATION

26 candidates undertook the final stage of the RIAI Examination in Professional Practice in the 2012/2013 cycle and 15 of these were successful. Briefing sessions for Examination Candidates and their Mentors and advisory sessions for final year students on examination and registration requirements, practical experience and career planning, were delivered as usual.

The Repeat Programme was started in 2009 for candidates who had failed their Case Study and Oral Examination by a narrow margin. Two candidates were deemed eligible for the Repeat Programme in 2013 and one candidate was successful.

The RIAI Examination in Professional Practice has been in suspension since 1 March 2012. No further applications have been accepted since this date. Candidates wishing to apply to complete a Professional Practice Examination
should contact UCD or DIT. Further information is available in the Education section of the RIAI website.

EXEMPTION FROM THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE EXAMINATION
The Building Control Act 2007 provides a mechanism whereby those with ‘prescribed degrees’ i.e. provided and recognised in the Irish State, can seek an exemption from the professional practice examination on the basis of seven years professional experience and demonstration of the knowledge, skill and competence required.

Restriction of access to this exemption to those with Irish degrees alone, especially in the context of the high level of immigration of architectural graduates in the past ten to fifteen years and the fact that for years many Irish school leavers travelled to the UK to study architecture, seemed illogical and unfair. To ensure that the system is used by those working in the State, as opposed to becoming an opportunity to avoid assessment systems in the UK and beyond, those seeking exemption from the professional practice examination who did not qualify in Ireland must have undertaken four of the required seven years of professional experience within the Irish State.

RIAI PRESCRIPTION AND ACCREDITATION PROCesses
RIAI Visiting Boards carried out 4 accreditation visits during 2013:
- DIT Architectural Technology (Level 8)
- WIT Architectural Technology (Level 7 and Level 8)
- UCD (B.Arch and M.Arch)
- Carlow IT Architectural Technology (Level 7)

SCHOOLS OF ARCHITECTURE
A meeting of the Heads of Schools of Architecture took place in July 2013. The meeting discussed the planned review of the RIAI Policy on Architectural Education, the interface between the Schools of Architecture and the RIAI, an update on Registration, Prescription and Notification and the future format of the RIAI Travelling Scholarship.

PRACTICAL TRAINING WORK GROUP
The Practical Training Work Group, a sub-group of the Board of Architectural Education, met twice in 2013. The group was convened in 2011 to review current barriers faced by architectural graduates when seeking the approved post-graduate professional training required prior to completion of a post-graduate qualification in professional practice.
TRAVELLING SCHOLARSHIP 2013
The theme of the Travelling Scholarship Competition for 2012-2013 was ‘Site at Grangegorman’. A total of 78 entries were received from two schools of architecture. There was one winner, one highly commended and four commended entries. 15 other entries were selected for exhibition. The presentation of awards and launch of the competition exhibition took place on 18th June 2013 in the Architecture Centre at the RIAI. Forbo Ireland sponsored the competition.

The results were as follows:
Winner: Aisling M. Cleary
Highly Commended: Fiona Canavan
Commended: David K Burke, Oisin J. Jacob, Sophie McCauley, David G. McGowan

ARCHITECT ACCREDITED IN CONSERVATION AT GRADE 3
The RIAI Conservation Induction Module Grade 3 takes place every two years. Successful completion of the Conservation Induction Module Grade 3 and the associated assessment exercise is the basic requirement for Accreditation at Grade 3 in the RIAI Conservation Accreditation System. The RIAI Conservation Induction Module took place in April/May/June 2013 with 73 candidates undertaking the assessment exercise. The pass rate for the 2013 assessment was 97%. The RIAI would like to extend grateful thanks to those who gave their time to lecture on the course and the assessors for their time and expertise in marking the assessment exercise. Accreditation is open to any RIAI Registered Member or RIAI Registered Practice, and to be eligible to apply for Practice Accreditation at least one of the Principals must attend and successfully complete the Module. Members who achieve accreditation are issued with a certificate for ‘Architect Accredited
(FROM LEFT TO RIGHT) DAVID THOMSON (CONVENOR FOR T.S.C JURY), WINNER: AISLING M.CLEARY, DECLAN CAROLAN, FORBO IRELAND AND THE RIAI PRESIDENT MICHELLE FAGAN
in Conservation at Grade 3’ and the associated accreditation mark which they can display on their website, emails, etc. An RIAI Practice may apply to display the ‘Practice Accredited in Conservation at Grade 3’ mark on their publicity materials, website etc. on the basis of the accreditation of at least one principal currently employed by the practice.

ENVIRONMENTAL ACCREDITATION
Seven members achieved Environmental Accreditation in 2013. Any MRIAI, FRIAI, MRIAI(IRL) or RIAI (Arch. Tech) may apply for RIAI Environmental Accreditation. To achieve RIAI Environmental Accreditation a member must successfully complete two mandatory and one optional course from the suite of Environmental training courses offered by the RIAI. Accreditation can also be achieved via recognition of prior learning.

Members who achieve accreditation are issued with an RIAI Environmental CPD Accreditation Certificate and a soft copy of the RIAI Environmental CPD Accreditation mark which they can display on their emails, etc. An RIAI Practice may apply to display the accreditation mark on their publicity materials, website etc. on the basis of the accreditation of at least one principal currently employed by the practice.

RIAI GOOD PRACTICE GUIDE CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING
Conscious of the cost to practices of achieving the ISO 9001 Quality Management Standard and the requirement for a Quality Management System for public procurement tenders, the RIAI set up a new scheme for RIAI Registered Practices in 2013. The scheme is based on the RIAI Good Practice Guide (RIAI GPG) and so reflects the realities of managing an architectural practice, as distinct from other business models.

The RIAI Good Practice Guide Quality Management Accreditation Scheme is independently certified by SGS and is appropriate for use by architectural practices working in the field of architecture. This meets the criteria for award of maximum marks in the Quality Assurance measures described in the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform’s latest guidance on the prequalification of consultants.

The RIAI GPG Quality Management Scheme will bring greater control and certainty to the running of projects and will help ensure that the general practice management issues are also being addressed. The implementation of a Quality Management system helps to ensure consistency in the delivery of a quality service.
to Clients. Though it cannot absolutely guarantee the delivery of quality design or service, systematic monitoring and evaluation of various aspects of a project maximises the probability that adequate standards of quality are achieved.’

**RIAI PROJECT SUPERVISOR DESIGN PROCESS ACCREDITATION**

86 members successfully completed the RIAI PSDP Accreditation in 2013. The course, delivered in partnership with SBD Safety By Design and Scott MacNeill Architects, is an intensive two-day programme designed specifically for professionals in the field of architecture. The programme includes, on successful completion of the two days and an assessment, accreditation by the RIAI as a trained Project Supervisor Design Process. This is an intense and interactive course from start to finish with involvement from participants in workshops and discussions.

**CPD**

Architects on the Register of Architects and members of the RIAI of all categories continued to record and reflect on their CPD activities on RIAI CPDEngage throughout 2013. The 2012-2013 CPD cycle saw a substantial increase in CPD compliance figures with 79% of members successfully achieving their CPD target in 2012-2013 as against 53% in 2011-2012

A number of CPD guidance documents are available to view and/or download from the RIAI website:
- RIAI CPD FAQs
- A sample member’s CPD record
- Guidance on Evidence Items for Structured CPD

Over 120 members and practice newsletters were issued to all members and registered RIAI practices during 2013. These newsletters included information to members on CPD activities provided both by the RIAI and third parties together with CPD support and updates on RIAI CPD Policy.

RIAI CPDEngage continued to provide members with access to a range of online CPD including 100 hours of free online structured CPD. The system provides details of upcoming courses by the RIAI and other training providers. It provides links to free and low-cost online structured CPD and links to useful documentation on a wide range of subject matters. CPD Engage allows members to plan, find, undertake, record and reflect on their CPD activities regardless of geographic location or time of day.

The RIAI continue to work with Aurion Learning Ltd., the developers of RIAI CPDEngage, to improve the user interface for the product based on member feedback.
RIAI COURSES
CPD delivery increased in 2013 with some courses, particularly those relating to new legislation, delivered around the country in Dublin, Cork, Galway, Sligo and Kilkenny. RIAI members and others completed over 1600 training days organised by the RIAI CPD Division in 2013. CPD courses delivered in 2013 included:

- RIAI Conservation Induction Module Grade 3
- RIAI Safety By Design
- RIAI PSDP Accreditation - Project Supervisor Design Process
- RIAI Quality Management Certification Scheme Training
- RIAI Training on the use of DEAP to demonstrate compliance with TGD Part L
- RIAI Sustainable Fundamentals Reviewed
- RIAI Renewable Technologies
- RIAI Building Fabric Design
- RIAI Designing Low-Energy Domestic Refurbs
- RIAI Building Fabric Design CPD - Compliant & Best Practice Dwellings
- RIAI BIM REVIT Series
- RIAI Technical Series
- RIAI Business Series
- BC(A)R New Practical Guidance Series
- A European Perspective on Building Control
- RIAI Annual Conference 2013 ‘Architecture Matters’
- Joint Adjudication Conversion Course for Experienced Arbitrators/Conciliators
- Travis Price Lecture ‘Spirit of Place’

The RIAI Annual Conference took place in the RDS in Dublin. This conference saw a record attendance of 475 members.

FREE AND LOW-COST CPD
The prices of RIAI courses were further subvented across the board and the RIAI ‘CPD Lottery’ continued to offer one free place to an unemployed member and one place at a fifty per cent discount to a member experiencing financial hardship on each RIAI CPD course held in 2013. RIAI Newsletters continued to inform members of free or low-cost CPD opportunities and over 100 hours of free online CPD activities were listed on CPDEngage.

18 more presentations were added to the ‘RIAI CPD Network’ listing in 2013 bringing the total number of presentations listed to 121. To contact any of the companies below see http://www.riai.ie/cpd/network-courses/.
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Nine new programmes were added to the RIAI CPD Links listing in 2013 bringing the total number of training courses listed to 34. The listing on the RIAI website is designed to provide RIAI members with better information on the range of CPD offered by other educational, professional and training organisations. To contact any of the training organisations below see www.riai.ie/cpd/links-courses/

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REGISTRATION AND ADMISSIONS

INTRODUCTION (REGISTRAR)

The staff undertaking core registration activities are as follows, although all Institute staff engage with registration to a greater or lesser degree:

- **Admissions**: Antje Baeger
- **Appeals**: Frank Turvey
- **Continuing Professional Development**: Sandra Campbell, Teresa Harte
- **Education**: Sandra Campbell, Carol Curran
- **Misuse of Title**: Frank Turvey, Angela Cunningham, Brona King
- **Professional Conduct**: Frank Turvey
- **Register/Membership**: Sharon Maguire
- **Finance**: Noelle Blanker, Finuala Hurley
- **Register Publication**: Sandra O’Connell
- **Technical Assessment**: Antje Baeger
- **Communication**: Adele Fitz.Patrick

Where the RIAI as Registration Body has to make decisions, for example regarding nominations, appointments, establishment of Statutory Boards, procedural developments, policy developments, establishment of Rules and so on, they are made by RIAI Council. Council will often consider an issue in the context of advice from relevant committees, most notably the Board of Architectural Education (e.g. re Programme Accreditation, CPD, Assessment Procedures, Standards etc.) and its sub-committees and the Board of Architectural Education Admissions Committee. Development of policy options and analysis is generally carried out by senior members of the Executive subject to the approval of Council.

Work relating to the recognition of new qualifications in architecture at national level, continued as did work at EU level in relation to the Professional Qualifications Directive.

Work on the development and implementation of the new RIAI IT system including the Membership Database and Admissions, CPD and Finance modules was ongoing throughout the year and required very substantial input from all staff.
The “Report on the Title of Architect” from the Committee on Environment, Culture and the Gaeltacht was published on 17th July 2013. This was followed in September by a report titled “Independent review of the registration arrangements for architects under the Building Control Act 2007” prepared by Garrett Fennell. This latter report included a series of recommendations which were endorsed by the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, Phil Hogan T.D. The RIAI worked with the Department through the final quarter of the year on implementation of these recommendations. This included a change to the Technical Assessment system which put the submission of applications into a cyclical process to provide greater clarity as to process and outcomes. In addition, following on recommendations from the Technical Assessment Board and the RIAI, it was recommended that the system be amended to include project work after the 1 May 2008, following a legal re-examination of Section 22 of the Act in the context of Article 46 of the Professional Qualifications Directive (2005/36/EC).

The changes were launched in October 2013 and have the effect of permitting re-application by unsuccessful applicants who meet the ten year criterion. Candidates previously deemed ineligible were invited to make supplementary submissions including more recent work without the requirement to compile a complete new application or pay fees.

PROGRAMME ACCREDITATION
The Visiting Board process, defined in the “RIAI Prescription Procedures V.1.0 2011”, leads to programme accreditation and the making of recommendations for prescription, or withdrawal of prescription, to the Minister by the RIAI. The calendar for 2013 included visits to UCD for continued accreditation of the B.Arch degree and accreditation in the first instance of the new M.Arch. degree.

PRESCRIBED QUALIFICATIONS IN ARCHITECTURE AND EU NOTIFICATIONS
The Cork Centre for Architectural Education’s M.Arch. degree jointly awarded by UCC and CIT, having been accredited by the RIAI, was recommended for prescription to the Minister. While it was referred to QQI for review per the terms of the Act the prescription
process was not concluded during 2013. The prescribed B.Arch.(Hons) awards made by WIT and UL were notified to Europe for inclusion in Annex V.7.1 of the Professional Qualifications Directive (2005/36/EC), neither process concluded in 2013. It is understood that the process of modernising the Directive, which reached a conclusion in December 2013, affected the timeframe for the process of recognition of qualifications at EU level.

Work was ongoing, by the provider with input from the RIAI, on the submission for notifying the Register Admission Examination to Europe per Article 47 of the Professional Qualifications Directive but the process was not concluded during 2013.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD)
Registered architects must meet annual CPD obligations. To facilitate this the RIAI moved to an online CPD system in 2009. The system allows for planning of CPD activities as well as online access to CPD events and monitoring of compliance with the regulations. Through CPDEngage (the RIAI’s online service) the Institute continued to provide members with access to a range of online CPD including access to over 100 hours of free online structured CPD. The system provides details of upcoming courses by the RIAI and other training providers. It provides links to free and low-cost online structured CPD and links to useful documentation on a wide range of subject matters. CPD Engage allows members to plan, find, undertake, record and reflect on their CPD activities regardless of geographic location or time of day. The RIAI continue to work with Aurion Learning Ltd., the developers of RIAI CPDEngage, to improve the user interface for the product based on member feedback.

MISUSE OF THE TITLE ARCHITECT
Individual
The Act provides that anyone who uses the title “architect” and who is not registered can be prosecuted and if found guilty of this offence, can be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding €5000 or a term of imprisonment not exceeding 12 months or both.
Practice
The Rules for Practice Titles, per section 18(6) of the Act, which provides that the RIAI as Registration Body may require confirmation of a Practice’s entitlement to use the word architect in its ‘name, style or title’, were updated to simplify the process with a view to implementation in 2014.

NATIONAL REGULATORS/OMBUDSMAN ACT 2012
The RIAI, along with all other Statutory Regulators came within the remit of the Ombudsman from 1st May 2013. The RIAI, along with the other regulators, engaged proactively with the Ombudsman’s office to ensure effective implementation, and a meeting between representatives of the Ombudsman’s office and the regulators was hosted by the RIAI. In compliance with advice from the Ombudsman’s Office, the RIAI amended its procedures to note the right of applicants to access the services of the Ombudsman, and Kathryn Meghen was appointed liaison with the Ombudsman’s Office in the event of complaints to that office arising with regard to the RIAI. No complaints were lodged in 2013.

STATUTORY BOARDS
Composition
The Building Control Act 2007, in addition to establishing the RIAI as Registration Body and Competent Authority, provides for four Statutory Boards to be established by the Registration Body. Board Composition is defined in the Act as follows:
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<td>14th September 2012</td>
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<td><strong>End of 2nd term</strong></td>
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BOARD ELECTIONS
When a Statutory Board is first established, RIAI Council selects the architect nominees. For each subsequent term, an election must be held to select the nominees. No elections were required during 2013.

MEMBERSHIP AND ESTABLISHMENT OF STATUTORY BOARDS
The composition of the four Statutory Boards was as follows:

Admissions Board 14th September 2012 - 13th September 2015
Chairperson Mr Garrett Fennell, Solicitor, Minister’s appointee 2012
Ms Paula Butler, Minister’s nominee 2009, 2012
Ms Mairead Hughes, Minister’s nominee 2009, 2012
Mr Denis Cregan, Minister’s nominee 2012
Mr Donal Connery, Minister’s nominee 2013 (replaced Mr William Quinn who resigned)
Mr Eoin O’Cofaigh, RIAI nominee 2009, 2012
Ms Eithne Moran, RIAI nominee 2012
Ms Laura Bowen, RIAI nominee 2012

TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT BOARD 14 SEPTEMBER 2012 - 13 SEPTEMBER 2015
Chairperson Ms Frances Meenan, Barrister, Minister’s appointee 2012
Mr Sean Balfe, Minister’s nominee 2009, 2012
Ms Geraldine Walsh, Minister’s nominee 2009, 2012
Mr Henk van der Kamp, Minister’s nominee 2009, 2012
Mr Gerry Farrell, Minister’s nominee 2012
Ms Orla Fitz.Gerald, RIAI nominee 2009, 2012
Ms Carole Pollard, RIAI nominee 2012
Mr Niall Meagher, RIAI nominee 2012

Appeals Board 7th Jan 2013 to 6th Jan 2016
Chairperson Mr. Michael Condon, Solicitor, Minister’s Appointee 2012
Mr. Martin Lawlor, Minister’s nominee 2012
Mr. Charlie O’Connor, Minister’s nominee 2012
Ms. Sarah Carey, Minister’s nominee 2012
Mr. Vincent Traynor, RIAI nominee 2012
Ms. Sadhbhanna ni Fhloinn, RIAI nominee 2012

Professional Conduct Committee 7th Jan 2013 to 6th Jan 2016
Chairperson Mr. John K O’Connell - Barrister, Minister’s Appointee 2012
Mr. Noel Carroll, Minister’s nominee 2012
Ms. Helen O’Donnell, Minister’s nominee 2012
Ms. Nicola Hogan, Minister’s nominee 2012
Ms. Anne Forde, Minister’s nominee 2012
Mr. Peadar O’Maoileain, Minister’s nominee 2012
Mr. Paddy Malone, Minister’s nominee 2012
Ms. Anne Kiernan, RIAI nominee 2012
Mr. Brian O’Connell, RIAI nominee 2012
Mr. Liam Tuite, RIAI nominee 2012
Mr. Robin Mandal, RIAI nominee 2012
Mr. Niall Rowan, RIAI nominee 2012

TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS
To address changes to the Technical Assessment system, candidate briefings were held on 30th October and 11th December 2013. In addition, Assessor training was held on 28th November to address the system developments for assessors.

ADMISSIONS BOARD
The Admissions Board considered 91 candidates eligible for admission to the register on the following basis:
## Subsection

### Ab Initio entrants

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| 14(2)(b) | Route B: Addresses extra-EEA qualifications and combinations of qualifications acquired across States including those:  
· prescribed under Irish law; and/or  
· recognised within the EU in accordance with Directive 2005/36/EC; and/or  
· recognised and awarded outside the EU but demonstrably equivalent to a prescribed qualification. | 7 |
| 14(2)(b) | Annex VI, candidates eligible per the Directive following an amendment not reflected in the Act to date | 3 |
| 14(2)(a)(II) | Route C: Prescribed Qualification, and experience based assessment of professional level standard | 15 |
| 14(2)(h) | Route E: Technical Assessment | 4 |
| 14(2)(f) | Route F: Prescribed Register Admissions Examination | 10 |
| 60(1) | Route D3: Registration for provision of services on a temporary and occasional basis | 5 |

### Readmission entrants

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<td>20(2)</td>
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**Total** | | 91 |
Routes E and F are those established to assess individuals in practice without recognised qualifications but who have attained the necessary standard through practical experience.

**TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT BOARD**

The Board decided on seven applications in the course of the year, four applicants were deemed eligible for registration and three were deemed ineligible.

**APPEALS BOARD**

A person adversely affected by a decision of the Admissions Board, the Technical Assessment Board or the Professional Conduct Committee may appeal the decision to the Appeals Board within 3 months after the date of the decision being made. An appeal may be based on either procedural or substantive grounds. The Appeals Board heard and decided on one case during the course of 2013, that appeal was upheld. Another appeal was heard in 2013 although the process was not concluded before the end of the year.

**PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT COMMITTEE**

Any person may make a complaint to the Professional Conduct Committee concerning a registered architect which is alleged to amount to professional misconduct or poor professional performance. The Architects’ Code of Professional Conduct was finalised and formally established in June 2013 enabling the Committee to proceed with its work.

**THE REGISTER**

In 2013 the number of architects registered in the State was 2601.

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<th>Membership of the Register of Architects 2013</th>
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<td>Registrant (Register Only)</td>
<td>4</td>
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<tr>
<td>Registrant (and RIAI Member)</td>
<td>2597</td>
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<td>2601</td>
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**ARCHITECT MOBILITY: RIAI ENGAGEMENT IN EUROPE**

The RIAI continued to provide services to Irish architectural graduates and architects moving abroad in 2013. Services provided include the confirmation of recognition of qualifications and letters confirming eligibility to register/actual registration for those seeking registration abroad, especially in accordance with the provisions of Directive 2005/36/EC. Advice was also given to architects living or qualified abroad seeking to
work in Ireland and to be included on the Register of Architects.

The process of developing a proposal for modernising the Professional Qualifications Directive (2005/36/EC) continued through 2013. The RIAI was involved through its participation in the European Network of Architects Competent Authorities and the Architects Council of Europe. The RIAI's Admissions Director participated in meetings of both. By the end of December 2013 the final text had been agreed and publication in the Official Journal was anticipated within a short time.
HIGHLIGHTS

**€246,112**
subvention for Annual Charges

**€480,737**
operating deficit

**33%**
of turnover from Annual and Practice Charges

2013 was the fourth year in over a decade that the RIAI operated at a loss; €480,737 being deducted from reserves (€104,840 loss in 2012). The difficult economic climate continues to impact on all areas of the RIAI.

The RIAI Council agreed a strategy for using the reserves:
- To subvent the annual charges for registrants and members
- To invest in long term initiatives to further the objectives of the organisation
- To support the development of the systems and supports required to implement the organisations responsibilities under the Building Control Act 2007

RIAI turnover decreased by 5.8% with reductions in income from Annual Charges, Corrigan House (due to loss of tenant), Competitions, and Deposit Account Interest. RIAI expenditure increased in the same period, with sizable increases in outlay on the Registration Compliance function, the new Appeals and Professional Conduct Boards, on legal advice sought in relation to BC(A)R, and investment in the new database.

Investment continued in the promotion of architecture through the RIAI’s participation in and funding of the Simon Open Door, the RDS Ideal Homes Advice Clinic, the National Ploughing Championships, the Architectural Festival in Waterford, and Open House in Dublin, Galway and Limerick. Resources continued to be invested in developing stronger lines of communication to ensure that Architects and Technologists are provided with timely relevant information and that the RIAI can communicate with its stakeholders and the general public in a more effective manner.
A substantial expenditure item in 2012/2013 was the second phase of the redevelopment of the RIAI database. This sizeable investment was required to replace our out-of-date system and to meet the registration responsibilities of Irish Architecture. The RIAI's visit to London with an exhibition of Irish Architecture, was a significant part of the RIAI's programme to build awareness of Irish Architecture internationally.

Focus also continued on expanding educational supports for Architects and Technologists, and on developing new low cost accessible CPD courses. The RIAI policy of maintaining a broad range of funding activities, with Member and Practice Registration Charges contributing to 33% of turnover, continues to be pursued. The overall financial position of the RIAI remains strong, despite the loss in 2013, with the retention of a more than adequate level of reserves and unencumbered assets. Strict monitoring of the financial aspects of all activities will continue to be pursued by the Executive, together with strategic guidance from the RIAI Council.
REVENUE ACCOUNT
For the year ended 31 December 2013

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<td>Annual charges and other operating income</td>
<td>2,991,679</td>
<td>3,177,297</td>
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<td>Expenditure</td>
<td>(3,472,416)</td>
<td>(3,282,137)</td>
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<td><strong>Deficit</strong> for the year before taxation</td>
<td>(480,737)</td>
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Toal O’Muiré
Council Member

Grainne Shaffrey
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## Balance Sheet

**As at 31 December 2013**

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<td>Tangible assets</td>
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<td><strong>Current assets</strong></td>
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<td>Stocks</td>
<td>58,545</td>
<td>67,545</td>
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<td>Debtors</td>
<td>416,885</td>
<td>359,602</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
<td>1,797,160</td>
<td>1,840,905</td>
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<td>Cash at bank and in hand</td>
<td>1,001,960</td>
<td>1,178,305</td>
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<td>3,274,550</td>
<td>3,446,357</td>
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<td><strong>Creditors (amounts falling due within one year)</strong></td>
<td>(944,905)</td>
<td>(635,430)</td>
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<td><strong>Net current assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,329,645</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,810,927</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Net assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>4,351,018</strong></td>
<td><strong>4,931,755</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Capital and Reserves</strong></td>
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<td>Revenue Account</td>
<td>3,229,775</td>
<td>3,710,512</td>
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<td>Revaluation Reserve</td>
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<td>Other Reserves</td>
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ADVOCACY FOR ARCHITECTURE

As well as RIAI Committees and Work Groups, members provided a voice and advocacy for architecture in a wide range of areas, including nationally, at EU level and internationally.

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Irish Architectural Archive
Irish Architecture Foundation
Design Ireland
DEHLG/RIAi Sustainable Communities and Housing Committee
Urban Forum
Government Policy on Architecture
Green Building Council

INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONAL
Construction Industry Council
Construction Advisory Committee
Construction Safety Partnership
Construction Industry Standards Committee
Irish Agrement Board
Inter-Professional Group
Liaison Committee of the Construction Industry
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National Construction and Demolition Waste Council
RIAI Insurances Limited
Timber Consultative Committee
Construction Industry Technology Alliance

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Eastern Region
Limerick Forum
Dublin Forum
Southern Region
Western Region

REGISTRATION
Regulators Forum
Fitness to Practice Forum
Compliance Forum

EU
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Cost Information Systems
Environment and Sustainable Architecture
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Professional Experience
Trade Services
Finance
Regulatory Questions and Issues
Professional Qualifications Directive

European Forum for Architectural Policies
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INTERNATIONAL
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Architecture for All/Accessibility (UIA)
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