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Brief Statement of Interest:

ARCC plays an important role in the architectural education community, serving as a venue for rigorous built environment research by faculty and PhD students. ARCC has been influential in my scholarly development since I first presented at a conference in 1998. Close ties with the European Association for Architectural Education (EAAE) broaden the reach of the organization, with international conferences every other year bringing together scholars from around the world. Through participation in those joint conferences, I have built a strong international network and enjoyed the benefit of international perspectives on my work. As a board member, I would continue to broaden ARCC's outreach within the US and globally to bring diverse voices for an inclusive discourse. As a former architectural administrator, I can tap into a strong network of colleagues around the US. My teaching and research collaborations with colleagues in the Middle East have extended my international network. I am currently the University of Maryland's representative to ARCC and served in that role from 2009 – 2017. I served on the organizing committee of the ARCC-EAAE International Conference at Howard University in 2010 and as a member of the Scientific Committee for the EAAE-ARCC International Conference in Valencia in 2020. I am a frequent reviewer for ARCC conference papers and Enquiry articles. As a board member, I would be well-prepared to organize domestic and international conferences and to lead review processes for conference abstracts and papers. As architectural researchers work within a context of global issues such as climate change, rapid urbanization, and pandemics, ARCC can host broadly international conversations and can communicate about this important work beyond the architecture community. I also envision a greater role for ARCC in growing the research culture within the schools and connecting architectural researchers with professional firms.