

June 17, 2020

Dr. Hazem Rashed-Ali, Ph.D., LEED AP BD+C
President, Architectural Research Centers Consortium
ARCC

RE: Nomination to the ARCC Board of Directors

Dear Hazem,

This letter is to serve as a self-nomination to join the ARCC Board of Directors. I am applying for either the Vice President or the at-large director positions. I am the past recipient of the ARCC King Medal in 2011, and the ARCC New Researcher Award in 2018. In addition, I served as reviewer/scientific committee member to many ARCC/EAAE conferences, published in Enquiry, and several conference proceedings.

As an architect, educator, and scholar, I implement a holistic approach that views teaching, research, and service as integrated; teaching informs research, research informs teaching, and service connects both to discoveries. Architecture as a discipline of ideation and orchestration requires both curiosity and rigor in exploring new territories and crossing boundaries to other disciplines. In my research, scholarship, and creative work, I implement a strategy that often engages collaborators from other disciplines in both academia and the industry, which increases the quality, visibility, and potential dissemination of the collective work. I see this as my contribution to the organization, and therefore, I am committed to advancing the ARCC efforts in supporting faculty in scholarly endeavors; monitoring and assessing peer-review and recognition programs; and recommending actions to advocate for architectural research and scholarship. I plan to leverage my experience and extensive network to support the mission of ARCC.

I hope that you, and the current board will find my background, expertise, and contributions are beneficial to the advancement of the ARCC mission. I look forward to working with you and my colleagues in strengthening the role of the architectural research in education and to bridge the efforts of the ARCC with other organizations such as the EAAE, ACSA, BTES, and CHSA.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information. I look forward to serving the respected ARCC and working with you and the board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ahmed Kamal Ali".

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