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Statement of Interest

I am seeking the opportunity to serve as an At-Large Board Member with the Architectural Research Centers Consortium (ARCC), an organization that plays a vital role in shaping the future of architectural research and education. I am confident that my experience and perspective can contribute meaningfully to ARCC's mission through three key objectives:

1. **Advocating for technological shifts in architectural research** by promoting innovation, digital integration, and new methodologies that expand the scope and impact of the field.
2. **Fostering research that addresses planetary forces of change** by situating architectural inquiry within the contexts of urban resilience, ecological transformation, and emerging possibilities for the built environment.
3. **Promoting a cross-cultural platform for architectural research** by cultivating diverse voices, global exchange, and cultural sensitivity as essential drivers of design knowledge.

The At-Large Board Member role provides a unique opportunity to extend ARCC's reach beyond regional representation. This position would allow me to advance technological innovation, address planetary-scale challenges, and foster cross-cultural collaboration across the research community. My work as a teaching fellow, visiting professor, and invited critic at universities in the U.S., Korea, and abroad has provided invaluable insights into the cultural diversity of student bodies and institutional contexts. These experiences have challenged me to adapt with empathy, navigate new conditions, and embrace multiple roles in the pursuit of meaningful solutions.

I believe ARCC thrives through character-driven leadership—grounded in humility, collaboration, and a shared commitment to progress. If elected, I will work closely with the leadership team to champion technological advancement, guide research addressing planetary transformations, and expand cross-cultural dialogue.

It would be an honor to serve as your At-Large Director, advancing ARCC's mission, expanding opportunities for member schools, and contributing to the future of architectural research.

Sincerely,



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