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EDITOR'S NOTE

An ever increasing number of communities and countries are embracing the tenets of universal design as we see in Township of Gillies Creating a Barrier Free Community - Municipal Accessibility Plan (Canada), China to Build Barrier-Free Environment in 100 Cities, Pilot Municipality Initiative (Norway), Accessible Beaches in Barcelona (Spain), Applying Inclusive

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Design Principles to Eco-town Development and London Olympics 2012 - Inclusive Design Strategy (UK), The Inclusive City, and Visitability - An Inclusive Design Approach for Housing (US).

Newsletters/Journals, publications and conferences continue to spread the word about universal design by sharing exemplary projects and new research and providing forums for continued dialog about the need for and the implementation of the principles - Unpacking Japan's Commitment to Universal Design, (Japan) International Conference on Universal Design - Malaga (Spain), INCLUDE 2009 (UK), and Universal Design News (US).

And, new publications in a variety of media continue to facilitate those wishing to embrace universal design such as a RIBA film online - Inclusive Design: Creating a User's World and Sensory Trust Fact Sheets and Booklets (UK), Access to Design Professions Slide Shows, Accessible Pedestrian Signals and ADA Publications for Businesses - Expanding Your Markets.

We continue to see strides in arenas other than the built environment such as with G3ict - The Global Initiative for Inclusive ICTs (World).

A long-time proponent of universal design is very deserving of mention - RCA Celebrates 10 Years of Helen Hamlyn Centre Work (UK).

Let's not forget competitions that continue to fuel new and innovative work - Cameron Museum of Art to Stage "Winning IDEAs: Selected Product Designs 2008" (US).

A milestone was reached when US President Barack Obama signed the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) Friday, July 24, 2009.

As always, please check out the Calendar for upcoming events. Information from the Online News can still be freely copied and quoted as long as the individual author, and/or web site and this source is cited. Previous issues of the Online News are available online at the Global Universal Design Education Network website at: www.universaldesign.net.

Also please note: Any Internet links mentioned in this newsletter were verified as functioning as of the publication date. Web sites and e-mail addresses, however, change frequently, so changes may have occurred after that date.

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NEWS FROM THE GLOBAL NETWORK

CANADA

Township of Gillies Creating a Barrier Free Community -- Municipal Accessibility Plan

The purpose of the *Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2001* (ODA) is to improve opportunities for people with disabilities and to provide for their involvement in the identification, removal and prevention of barriers to their full participation in the life of the province. The ODA mandates that all municipalities prepare annual accessibility plans. The Township of Gillies is committed to promoting a barrier-free municipality for employees, citizens and all who live, work, visit and invest in the municipality. This report describes the measures that the Township of Gillies has taken and will take to identify, remove and prevent barriers to people with disabilities.

Full plan details at: <http://www.gilliestownship.ca/upload/documents/2009-accessibility-plan.pdf>

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CHINA

China to Build Barrier-Free Environment in 100 Cities

China will promote the construction of a barrier-free environment for disabled people in 100 cities by the year 2010, said the National Human Rights Action Plan of China (2009-2010) released Monday by the Information Office of the State Council.

Full Article at: <http://english.peopledaily.com.cn/90001/90776/90882/6635575.html>

Longer Article on National Human Rights Action Plan of China can be found at:

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-04/13/content_11177311.htm

Full text for the National Human Rights Action Plan of China can be found at:

http://news.xinhuanet.com/english/2009-04/13/content_11177126.htm

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JAPAN

Unpacking Japan's Commitment to Universal Design

In April, Metropolismag.com published aging-in-place bathroom coverage which includes a short piece on Toto's universal-design center in Japan. A companion to this article by Martin C. Pederson carries the above title. These two pieces as well as Toto's own status piece bring you up-to-date on Toto, universal design and the Japanese commitment to universal design.

Original article at: <http://www.metropolismag.com/story/20090415/aging-gracefully>

Associated Point of View (POV) piece at:

<http://www.metropolismag.com/pov/20090417/unpacking-japans-commitment-to-universal-design>

2008 Status of Toto's Universal Design Initiatives can be found at:

<http://www.toto.co.jp/en/abstract/today/20081022/today1.htm>

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NORWAY

Pilot Municipality Initiative

Accessibility for persons with disabilities has been on the agenda in Norway for more than 30 years. For much of that time, efforts were rooted in an overall vision constructed within the framework of health and social policy. Many municipalities were taking active steps to create a satisfactory framework for disabled individuals, but the results they obtained were seldom of a fundamental or lasting nature. The problem was there was no cohesive, systematic integration of accessibility principles into municipal activities. Accessibility issues were not incorporated into the municipalities' most basic steering document, the municipal plan. In 1998 the Ministry of the Environment launched a development program to bring accessibility for persons with disabilities into municipal planning processes. Read how universal design has gone from being a nonessential to key objective in municipal planning activities in just 10 years.

First Chapter, translated into English, available at: http://www.universell-utforming.miljo.no/file_upload/md_uu_nasjonal%20bauta_s%207-10_engcbe.doc

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SPAIN



Accessible Beaches in Barcelona

Summer is often associated with beaches! All the beaches in the city of Barcelona are accessible: they have adapted public transportation, reserved parking places with accessible itineraries to the beach sand, signalling and visual information, adapted toilets and showers, and wooden walkways up to the water.

In two of these beaches there are supports for swimmers, provided with the cooperation of Red Cross volunteers. This helps people with reduced mobility get in and out of the water and enjoy the sea.

Information courtesy of "Design for All Foundation":

<http://www.designforall.org/en/novetats/noticia.php?id=501>

This web-site (in Spanish) talks about Accessibility at the Barcelona Beachs:

http://w3.bcn.es/V01/Serveis/AgendaRecomanada/V01AgendaRecomanadaIniciCtl/0,2169,290652867_291374213_1_525556070,00.html?accio=detall

**International Conference on
Universal Design -- Malaga**



DISEÑO UNIVERSAL | Málaga 2009
1er CONGRESO INTERNACIONAL | 30 - 2
DESIGN FOR ALL | sept - oct 09

From September 30 – October 2, Malaga will be hosting a universal design conference. This event is organized by the Malaga's city council accessibility area in cooperation with the Congress Centre and co-organized by ONCE Foundation. The Royal Board of Disability and the Spanish Federation of Provinces and Municipalities are also cooperating. The conference hopes to offer original solutions, encourage training, innovation and cooperation to install universal design in all spheres. It also wants to ensure that all the sectors related to dependence and mobility are represented and can participate.

Read about the conference (in English, though there is also a Spanish-language web-site) at:

[http://www.fycma.com/?idLenguaje=2&event=Diseno Universal#/goEvento/Diseno Universal//General_Information/Presentation/](http://www.fycma.com/?idLenguaje=2&event=Diseno%20Universal#/goEvento/Diseno%20Universal//General_Information/Presentation/)

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UNITED KINGDOM



applying inclusive design
principles to eco-town
development:
eco-towns inclusive design
worksheet

summary points

This Worksheet provides advice and guidance to planners, designers and policy-makers on how to implement inclusive design principles in eco-town development. It provides an explanation of the concept and core principles of inclusive design and explains how these principles can be implemented in practice. It sets out issues that should be considered at a strategic level, but it should not be seen as definitive design guidance. Any references to particular design solutions are purely illustrative, for the purpose of better explaining the practical application of inclusive design principles.

The first part of the Worksheet explains in detail what inclusive design principles are, their origin in the demands of disabled people for accessible buildings, and how they are now being used to provide a more inclusive environment for all of us. It then details what needs to be done at each stage of the development and design process using the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) 'Plan of Work' stages as a framework.

The Worksheet then outlines the professional roles required within design teams to ensure that the principles of inclusive design are fully implemented from the start of the design process. Further advice is given on design strategies, feasibility studies, stakeholder development, and the establishment of strategic access forums to provide continuing advice throughout the development of the eco-town.

eco-towns inclusive design worksheet

Applying Inclusive Design Principles to Eco-town Development

The Town and Country Planning Association has an eco-towns program to build new settlements that are designed and organized from the outset to provide all inhabitants – regardless of age, disability, faith or gender – with places where dwellings are responsive to individual need and are located within easy access of employment, services and leisure; where the public realm does not exclude people; and where all residents are enabled to participate fully in public life and enjoy a real sense of belonging to their community. To facilitate this program, a series of Worksheets have been developed and the most recent one is on applying inclusive design principles. This Worksheet provides advice and guidance to planners, designers and policy-makers on how to implement

'inclusive design' principles. It provides an explanation of the concept and core principles of inclusive design and explains how these principles can be implemented in practice.

The full eco-towns inclusive design worksheet (.pdf format) is at:

<http://www.tcpa.org.uk/data/files/ecotwsinclusion.pdf>

London 2012 – Inclusive Design Strategy

The organizers for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games have proclaimed "Inclusive and accessible design principles have been at the heart of our planning from the start. A site-wide, holistic approach across all buildings, open spaces, parklands, infrastructure and public transport means that we will be able to go further than any previous Olympic Games and Paralympic Games." The Inclusive Design Strategy document sets out how the Olympic Park will be designed and constructed to be inclusive for people of all cultures, faiths and ages, and accessible to disabled people. Diverse groups from within the local community were consulted and the strategy was influenced by the experiences of multi-faith groups, parents, disabled people and Paralympians.

Read the full document (.pdf format) at:

<http://www.london2012.com/documents/oda-equality-and-diversity/inclusive-design-strategy-september-2008.pdf>



RCA Celebrates 10 Years of Helen Hamlyn Centre Work

The Royal College of Art (RCA) will host an exhibition called Closeup celebrating ten years of European collaborative projects by Helen Hamlyn Centre research associates. The exhibits will include furniture, products, communications and films, and explore issues such as design for ageing, inclusive design, workplace design and design for patient safety. The exhibition shows how partnerships between new RCA graduates from all over Europe and progressive European manufacturers can create new design ideas to improve quality of life. The show will be held at the RCA from 25 September to 6 October.

Read Further at:

<http://www.rca.ac.uk/Default.aspx?ContentID=160492&GroupID=160110&CategoryID=36646&More=1>

RIBA Film Available to Watch Online - Inclusive Design: Creating a User's World

The Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) intended that this film be a highly useful tool for student and practicing architects/designers, clients, planners and others involved in the built environment. The role and relationship of the architects, the client, the user advisors, access consultants, and other members of the design team are examined in the film. The film provides viewers with differing practical examples of inclusive design.

The film features three projects:

+ The Roundhouse in London, a Grade II Listed building, refurbished as a public Arts venue. How do we reconcile a Grade II Listed Arts Venue into an accessible venue for wheelchair users, and maintain a highly fashionable and tempting place for young people?

+ The Eden Project, in Cornwall, a well known, large-scale and complex visitor attraction. How do we turn a visually attractive venue such as Eden, into an enjoyable and worthwhile place for those who are visually impaired?

+ The Willows, in Wolverhampton, a new school under construction, that will bring together the population of a primary school, a special needs school, and a community facility on one integrated site. How do we design a school environment for a local Somali population?

Access the video at: <http://www.youtube.com/user/RIBAVIDEO>

Sensory Trust Fact Sheets and Booklets

The Sensory Trust has created a number of useful factsheets, guidance booklets and example documents that you can download from here free of charge. Some of the newer documents are:

+ Clear and Large Print - Guidelines that provide a standard for maximizing the legibility of printed documents.

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- + Community Engagement -- Involving local people in development decisions helps to ensure that the eventual designs are appropriate, enjoyable, well used, and cared for by the community.
- + Plain Language - Plain language is not designed to corrupt and debase the glories of the English language. It is designed to communicate precisely the things you need to communicate to your intended audience.
- + Routes - A guide to making and prioritizing path access work.
- + Widgit Symbols - Symbol languages give people with learning disabilities in particular the opportunity to understand and experience the world in a way that meets their needs.



Community engagement



Creating and managing places that can be used and enjoyed by people who live nearby helps to ensure that places are sustainable. Involving local people in development designs helps to ensure that the eventual designs are appropriate, enjoyable, well used, and cared for by the community.

It is vital to involve local communities in the earliest planning stage of regenerating, developing or constructing public open space.

Community engagement is now an important part of many funding applications. However, engaging people in a project should be more than a 'tick box' activity to satisfy potential funders. Successful community engagement is

about developing productive relationships. Not only relationships between practitioners and local people, but between different community groups as well, that will continue beyond the life of the project.

For managers and staff, community consultation opens the door to people who have personal experience of the difficulties of using public spaces and to a wide variety of perspectives and ideas.

For any community, being involved in the planning and user-testing processes of a project is a chance to help create a local space that appeals to them, their families and friends. It is also a chance to gain an understanding of the constraints that site managers face.

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Check out these and other helpful publications (.pdf and some other formats) at:

<http://www.sensorytrust.org.uk/information/factsheets/index.html>

INCLUDE 2009

The fifth international conference on inclusive design (INCLUDE) took place at the Royal College of Art, London UK from 5 to 8 April 2009. There is an abundance of material now online from that conference, including the Include 2009 report and the conference proceedings. The proceedings have both abstracts and the full papers (.doc and .pdf formats) for each paper in each session. Also posted are papers published by Include 2009 but not presented at the conference. Do check out this wealth of material focused on inclusive design.

Full details at: http://www.hhc.rca.ac.uk/1345/all/1/include_2009.aspx

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UNITED STATES

Access to Design Professions Slide Shows Available

Access to Design Professions was inspired by and dedicated to the late Ron Mace. The project is a program of the Institute for Human Centered Design and funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, Universal Design Initiative. The goal is bring more young people with disabilities into the professions of architecture, graphic design, industrial design, interior design, and landscape architecture, where they can use their personal experience of disability to contribute to great universal design.

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Two new presentations have been developed by Beth Tauke, the University at Buffalo Department of Architecture, as part of a demonstration project for Access to Design Professions. They can be viewed online and/or projected from a computer.

Becoming an Architect: Opportunities and Challenges for Students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing,

http://www.adaptiveenvironments.org/adp/slideshows/ADP_St_Marys_Presentation_FINAL_w_Credits_OPT.pdf

Universal Design as a Success Strategy for University at Buffalo Students, Faculty and Staff,

http://www.adaptiveenvironments.org/adp/slideshows/ADP_UB_Presentation_FINAL_w_Credits_OPT.pdf

Visit the Access to Design Professions web-site at: www.accesstodesign.org

Accessible Pedestrian Signals

The content of this site is a product of the National Cooperative Highway Research Program Project 3-62, Guidelines for Accessible Pedestrian Signals has published contents adapted from the print document produced by the NCSHP study, entitled Accessible Pedestrian Signals: A Guide to Best Practices. This research study used extensive field testing to determine which APS features and locations are most beneficial for blind and visually impaired pedestrians.

Full details at: <http://www.walkinginfo.org/aps/about.cfm>

Document entitled Accessible Pedestrian Signals: A Guide to Best Practices (in .pdf format) at: http://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/nchrp/nchrp_w117a.pdf

ADA Publications for Businesses – Expanding Your Markets

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is the far-reaching Federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities in everyday activities, such as buying an item at the store, going to the movies, enjoying a meal at a local restaurant, exercising at the health club, or having the car serviced at a local garage. The Department of Justice has created a series of publications to assist businesses in meeting the ADA requirements.

Some of the recently released publications in this series include:

- Maintaining Accessible Features in Retail Establishments
- Maintaining Accessibility in Museums
- Accessible Information Exchange: Meeting on a Level Playing Field

To access the publications in .html or .pdf formats, visit:

http://www.ada.gov/business.htm#retail_access

**Cameron Museum of Art to Stage
“Winning IDEAs: Selected Product
Designs 2008”**

The Cameron Art Museum in Wilmington NC has the first museum exhibition in nearly a decade to feature a collection of International Design Excellence Award (IDEA) winners. The IDEA Awards are presented annually by IDSA (Industrial Designers Society of America) and sponsored by *BusinessWeek*, with selections made by an international jury of professional designers and academics.



Full article at: <http://www.idsa.org/absolutenm/templates/?a=4178&z=162>

Learn more about the museum at: <http://www.cameronartmuseum.com/>

The Inclusive City

If you have a vision involving inclusive city planning, based on economic, social, environmental and culturally sensitive policies that allow everyone to improve economically as the physical area improves, you'll want to check out www.inclusivecity.com. This website encourages you to incorporate this vision into your future projects so that, someday, all built environments are fully inclusive. There is a companion book, called "The Inclusive City" which has 500 pages with over 500 full-color photographs and includes 14 case studies, design guidelines for schools, cityscapes, play areas, trail systems plazas and more and is available for purchase. The Inclusive City publication was supported in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Full details at: www.inclusivecity.com

A collection of Case Studies and Inclusive Design Guidelines are available (in .pdf format) at: <http://www.inclusivecity.com/docs.php?view=all>

Universal Design News

In its 16th year, the Universal Design Newsletter is published by John Salmen to share news, design tips and educate interested people about the ADA, accessibility and universal design. It was honored with the Ron Mace Designing for the 21st Century Award in 2000.

It has covered the roll out of the ADA from the legislative process to the legal battles and has shown how it has impacted peoples' lives and businesses. It always tries to highlight excellence in universal design and accessibility efforts – nationally and internationally and introduce its readers to “who’s who” in the world of accessibility and universal design. It also shares news about new products/media that might be helpful to people.

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In July 2008 it began to offer the newsletter thru an electronic subscription at no charge. A hard copy annual subscription (domestic) is \$25; outside the US \$45. The newsletter is published quarterly.

Changes coming in 2010 include a redesigned version of the newsletter and monthly electronic bulletins with timely news items for subscribers. The website will include new features like blogging opportunities, idea sharing and continuing education modules.

Do check out this publication!

Full details at: www.universaldesign.com



Visitability

An Inclusive Design Approach for Housing

This booklet provides a summary of the goals, benefits, and features of inclusive housing design. It is a preview of a forthcoming book entitled Inclusive Housing: A Pattern Book. Excerpts from the book along with an annotated version of the new ICC/AHJ A117.1 Type C visitability standards will give you a better understanding of what visitability is and why it is important to housing design.

THE CENTER FOR INCLUSIVE DESIGN AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACCESS (IDEA)

Visitability – An Inclusive Design Approach for Housing

Coming soon. Inclusive Housing: A Pattern Book (W.W. Norton & Co.) is a resource for designing communities to accommodate social diversity and provide equitable opportunities for all residents, or, inclusive design. It focuses on design of housing to provide accessibility to people with disabilities and, at the same time, provide benefits to all residents. The book emerged out of a lengthy discussion within the Congress of New Urbanism about accessible housing design in the urban context. This discussion identified the need for information that would help incorporate accessibility for people with disabilities into neighborhood and housing design practices without compromising other important design goals.

A brief complimentary booklet, Visitability: An Inclusive Design Approach for Housing, is available and provides a summary of the above book.

You can read the companion preview booklet (.pdf format) at:

<http://www.udeworld.com/visbooklet/visitabilitybooklet.pdf>

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WORLD

G3ict – The Global Initiative for Inclusive ICTs

G3ict, the Global Initiative for Inclusive Information and Communication Technologies, is a flagship advocacy initiative of United Nations Global Alliance for ICT and Development (UN-GAID). It is a public-private partnership dedicated to facilitating the implementation around the world of the Digital Accessibility Agenda defined by the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. The “resource center” contains several helpful areas: Publications and

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Reports, Case Study Database, Toolkit for Policy Makers on e-Accessibility & Service Needs for Persons with Disabilities, etc along with other resources available elsewhere on the web-site.

Full details at: <http://www.g3ict.org>

Download a copy of the book "The Accessibility Imperative" (.pdf format) along with other publications and reports at:

http://g3ict.com/resource_center/publications_and_reports/p/productCategory_whitepapers/sub_Cat_0/id

Find past events and proceedings at: http://dev.g3ict.com/events/past_events_proceedings

UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities

President Barack Obama signed the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) Friday, July 24, 2009 at the White House.

"President Obama committed to sign the Convention during his campaign and we applaud his leadership. This treaty is good for America, good for people with disabilities, and good for the world," says Marca Bristo, President of The United States International Council on Disabilities (USICD). "By signing this treaty the US is reaffirming its commitment to basic human rights of all people with disabilities and positioning us to better contribute our expertise on the global level."

The President's signature indicates the country's interest in joining this treaty and begins a process in which the Senate will review and provide advice and consent for ratification.

"This treaty reflects the unique insights of disabled people from around the world. The participation of disabled people in decision-making about policies affecting our lives is changing the way we are regarded in our communities and by our governments," says Judy Heumann, former Clinton Administration appointee, board member of USICD, and participant in the negotiations to draft the treaty.

The United Nations estimates that there are 650 million people with disabilities globally. The CRPD addresses barriers that impede the full participation of people with disabilities in their communities on all aspects of daily life. The treaty enhances opportunities for community access, employment and entrepreneurship, international exchange, and the attainment of an adequate standard of living for all individuals, children and families affected by disability.

The United States International Council on Disabilities (USICD) is a federation of US-based non-governmental organizations, government agencies, and individuals committed to international disability concerns. "This is a historic day in the movement for full equality, access, and inclusion of people with disabilities in America," says David Morrissey, Executive Director of USICD. "A broad coalition of Americans with and without disabilities has called for our country to sign this treaty." For more information, see

<http://www.un.org/disabilities/convention/signature.shtml> or please contact:

David Morrissey, Executive Director, dmorrissey@usicd.org, (Article excerpted from the Access Living website)

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CALENDAR AND CALLS

September 30-October 1, 2009: Second ENAT International Congress on Tourism for All, Vienna, Austria. Full details at: <http://www.accessibletourism.org/?i=enat.en.events.595>

October 10-11, 2009: International Forum on "Ageing-in- Place" and Age Friendly Cities, Akita, Japan. Full details at: <http://www.aip-afc.jp/en/index.htm>

October 28-30, 2009: MX Design Conference, 2009, Mexico City, Mexico. Key concepts that are the focus of the conference include: Cultural Diversity, Social Activism, Professional Ethics, Social Responsibility, Sustainable Design, Ecodesign, Universal Design, Slow Design, Social Design, Design for all, and Accessibility. For full details, see: <http://www.dis.uia.mx/conference/2009/indexE.html>

October 30, 2009: UCLA Technology & Aging Conference "*Living Longer and Better Through Technology*," Los Angeles, CA. The two track themes are: Aging In Place and Aging Healthier Longer. For full details, see: <http://www.aging.ucla.edu/TechAgingConference.html>

November 9-12, 2009: RI Regional Conference: "Strategies for Implementation: Good Practices for Accessibility and Inclusion", Dubai, UAR. More information available at: <http://www.riglobal.org/>

December 2-4, 2009: iNTA-SEGA2009 – Bridging Innovation, Technology and Tradition, Bangkok, Thailand. Topics include -- Alternative Building Design, Materials and Construction for Climate Change, Building Innovation for Comfort and Quality of Architecture and Urban Spaces, In search for the New Vernacular, Appropriate Built Environment Technology, Systems/ Experiments and Research Methods/ Case Studies, and Universal Design. Full details at: <http://www.inta2009.arch.ku.ac.th>

May 3-6, 2010: International Federation on Ageing – 10th International Conference, Melbourne, Australia. The three themes that form the program framework - Global Warming and the Environment; Social Inclusion; The Changing Economy; and Human Rights - are expected to stimulate new conversations as well as explore in more depth more traditional subject areas. For full details, see: <http://www.ifa2010.org/>

June 4-10, 2010: The 12th International Conference on Mobility and Transport for Elderly and Disabled Persons (TRANSED 2010), Hong Kong. Theme will be "Sustainable Transport and Travel for All." The conference will be hosted by the Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation.

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Information is available at: <http://www.transed2010.hk/front/> (for more information on Global Transportation events and news, check out <http://www.globalride-sf.org/newsletters/>)

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