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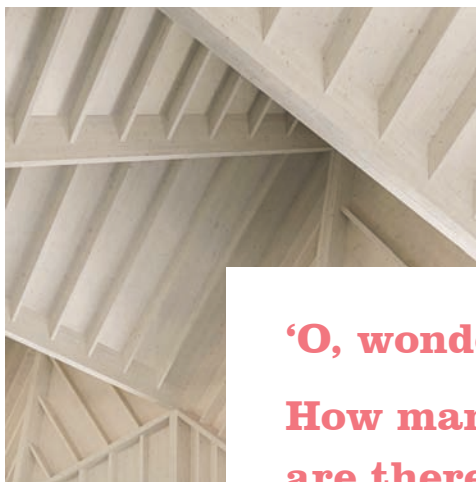


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For more than 20 years, the RSAW Annual Conference has been built around a singular issue or theme related to the practice of contemporary architecture in Wales. For the 24th conference in 2017, we are taking a different and hugely ambitious approach – to consider how the entire profession will evolve in the next ten years. We will explore the issues that are set to influence and shape architectural practice worldwide, framing them in the Welsh context, with reference to the unique political, economic and geographic conditions of our small but complex country. For example, the introduction of the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 - described by the United Nations as “world-leading” - and the National Development Framework offer an opportunity for Wales to use strategic policy to deliver truly visionary action.

In the morning session, creative thinkers from outside the immediate world of practice share their insights into the challenges and opportunities of the next decade, touching on the economy, technology, environment, ethics and social engagement. The afternoon session will focus on personal views of the next ten years from educationalists and practitioners; we explore examples of current practice, highlighting exemplary client engagement and inspirational projects.



The prime duty of architecture has been described as “looking forward, constructing new relationships between what exists and what can come into being” (Jeremy Melvin: *A manifesto for the next ten years*, The Architectural Review/1443/July August 2017). While we realise we can do no more than trigger discussion and debate in the space of a single conference, we aim to offer a broad view scoping out the challenges which practitioners will need to be aware of to survive and thrive in the coming decade. Will the brave new world of architecture in 2027 have more in common with Shakespeare's *Tempest* or Aldous Huxley's futuristic dystopia?

‘O, wonder!

**How many goodly creatures
are there here!**

**How beauteous mankind is!
O brave new world,**

That has such people in’t!”

**William Shakespeare,
The Tempest**

Programme

09.15	<i>Coffee and registration in exhibition hall</i>
09.45	Welcome Carolyn Merrifield, RSAW President
09.50	Setting the scene Conference Chair, Geraint Talfan Davies Hon FRIBA
10.05	Keynote address: The new Wales Marie Brousseau-Navarro, Director of Policy, Legislation and Innovation, Office of the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales
10.20	Future vision 1: A new agenda? The United Nations New Urban Agenda sets a global standard for sustainable development; we explore common ground and opportunities in Wales, through the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act and the National Development Framework. Dr Roisin Willmott, Director RTPI Cymru Jen Heal, Design Advisor, Design Commission for Wales
10.50	Future Vision 2: Architecture and the creative digital economy Exploring the impact of digital communications technology, from the media to intellectual property issues and the wider creative economy. Professor Ian Hargreaves, Professor of Digital Economy, Cardiff University
11.20	<i>Coffee</i>

11.50	Future Vision 3: A practice for the edge Re-defining a new kind of design practice for the unique challenges and opportunities of the periphery. Dr Rory Hyde, Curator of Contemporary Architecture and Urbanism, V&A Museum; author of <i>Future Practice: conversations from the edge of architecture</i>
12.35	Question panel with morning speakers
13.00	<i>Lunch</i>
14.00	Equipping the next generation How will architecture education respond to change in the next ten years? 10-minute snapshots from the heads of Wales's three architecture schools. Prof Chris Tweed, WSA Dr Paul Harries, UWTSD John Carter, CAT
14.30	Current practice - future plans Karen Rogers, Canary Wharf Group
15.00	Question panel with afternoon speakers
15.20	<i>Tea</i>
16.00	The Inspiration Hour Mary Duggan, Mary Duggan Architects
17.00	Closing words Geraint Talfan Davies
17.15	Conference close
17.30	Conference cocktails to 18.30

Booking form

Delegate name(s)

	No of places?
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