

Mina Hasman Appointed as New Chair of the Construction Industry Council Climate Change Committee

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[CIC](#) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mina Hasman as the new Chair of the CIC Climate Change Committee. Mina, who has been serving as the Deputy Chair of the committee, succeeds Stephen Hodder MBE, who has commendably led the committee since its inception.

Mina, Sustainability Director at Skidmore, Owings and Merrill (SOM), brings a wealth of experience and a deep commitment to sustainability and climate action. In her role at SOM, the global architecture and engineering practice, Mina leads the firm's sustainability and wellbeing daily operations and long-term vision. More broadly, Mina has been instrumental in driving forward the agenda of sustainability within the construction industry at large. As a recognised expert in environmental design, her leadership and expertise have been pivotal in various organisations and initiatives aimed at reducing the industry's carbon footprint and promoting sustainable practices.

Stephen Hodder MBE, the outgoing Chair, has been the foundation of the CIC Climate Change Committee since its establishment three years ago. His leadership was instrumental in the publication of the 'Carbon Zero: the professional institutions' climate action plan', a milestone document that set the framework for industry-wide climate action. Stephen's tenure has been marked by his resolute commitment and hard work, which have laid a strong foundation for the committee's future endeavours. CIC extends its deepest gratitude to Stephen for his exceptional service and the transformative impact of his leadership.

Graham Watts OBE, CIC Chief Executive, expressed his appreciation saying, "We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Stephen Hodder for his visionary leadership and tireless efforts in establishing and guiding the CIC Climate Change Committee. As we welcome Mina Hasman as the new Chair, her extensive expertise and passion for sustainability will inspire the committee to thrive and continue to show our

ongoing commitment to climate action.”

Commenting on her appointment, Mina Hasman said, “It is an honour to be appointed Chair of the Construction Industry Council’s Climate Change Committee. In this pivotal role, I am committed to fostering industry-wide collaboration and advocating for continuous upskilling to strengthen our collective capacity. Together, we can drive sustainable practices, innovate resilient solutions, and lead the charge against climate change, ensuring a greener and more prosperous future for all. “

Mina Hasman leads SOM’s sustainability and wellbeing operations, focusing on the long-term vision and strategy for achieving excellence in practice. She oversees the firm’s progress on climate action as it relates to its global business operations and projects.

Mina’s experience spans a wide variety of projects in Europe, the UK, Asia and the Middle East, bringing a deeper understanding of the implications for sustainable and equitable design in different climatic, social, and regulatory contexts. As a recognised expert in her field, she has been elected to and is actively involved with several organisations, including the UKGBC Board of Trustees; RIBA Council, Practice & Policy Committee, and the Climate Emergency Task Group (as Chair); CAA Council (as the Regional Vice Chair of Europe); LETI Steering Committee; UNEP/GlobalABC’s COP Task Force; CIC Climate Change Committee (as Chair); CIBSE Intelligent Buildings Group (as Vice Chair); and the WorldGBC Advancing Net Zero Committee.

Mina regularly contributes to the wider climate change, sustainability and wellbeing debate as a tutor at various academic institutions, including The Bartlett (UCL), the Architectural Association, and the Manchester School of Architecture.

Using her work as part of the transdisciplinary “Climate Framework” Initiative, Mina helped the RIBA to define its Mandatory Competence Requirements for climate literacy. She also authored the “RIBA Climate Guide” – structured around the Climate Framework – to equip built environment professionals with key knowledge and guidance to mitigate the impact of climate change.

Mina’s years of experience, expertise and leadership in climate advocacy have resulted in numerous accolades, including The Big 5 Construction Award for Sustainable Leader of the Year in 2021 and a recognition in TIME Magazine’s 2023 top 100 list of most influential climate leaders in business. Mina has also been a part of the RIBA’s Stirling Prize jury and currently chairs the CAA Awards, as well as the prestigious RIBA Silver Medal jury.