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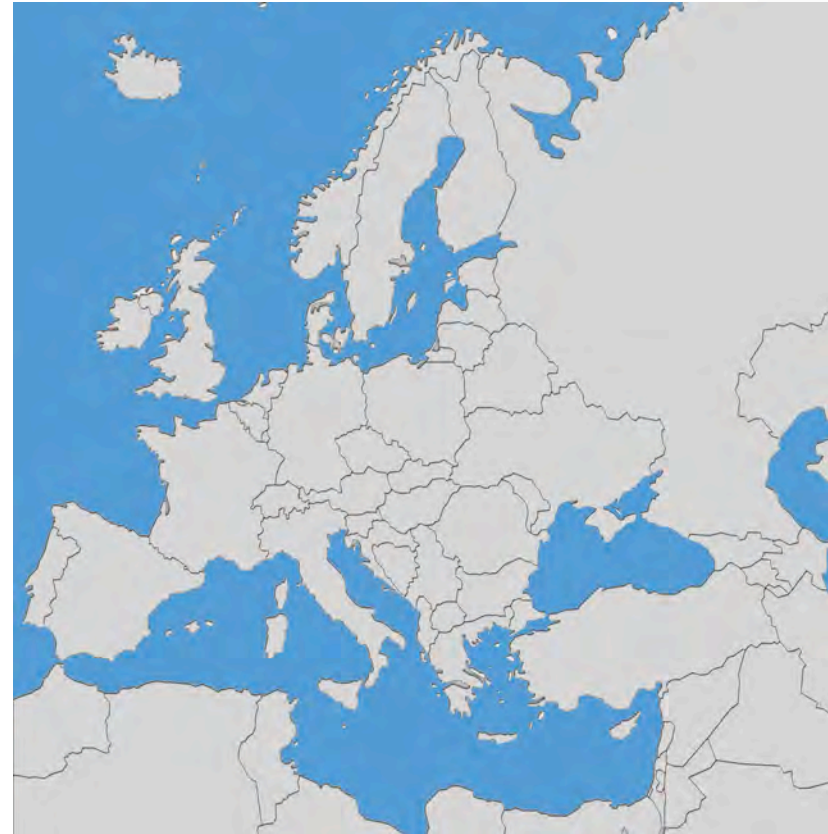
The ACE

Its Structure, Objects and Actions

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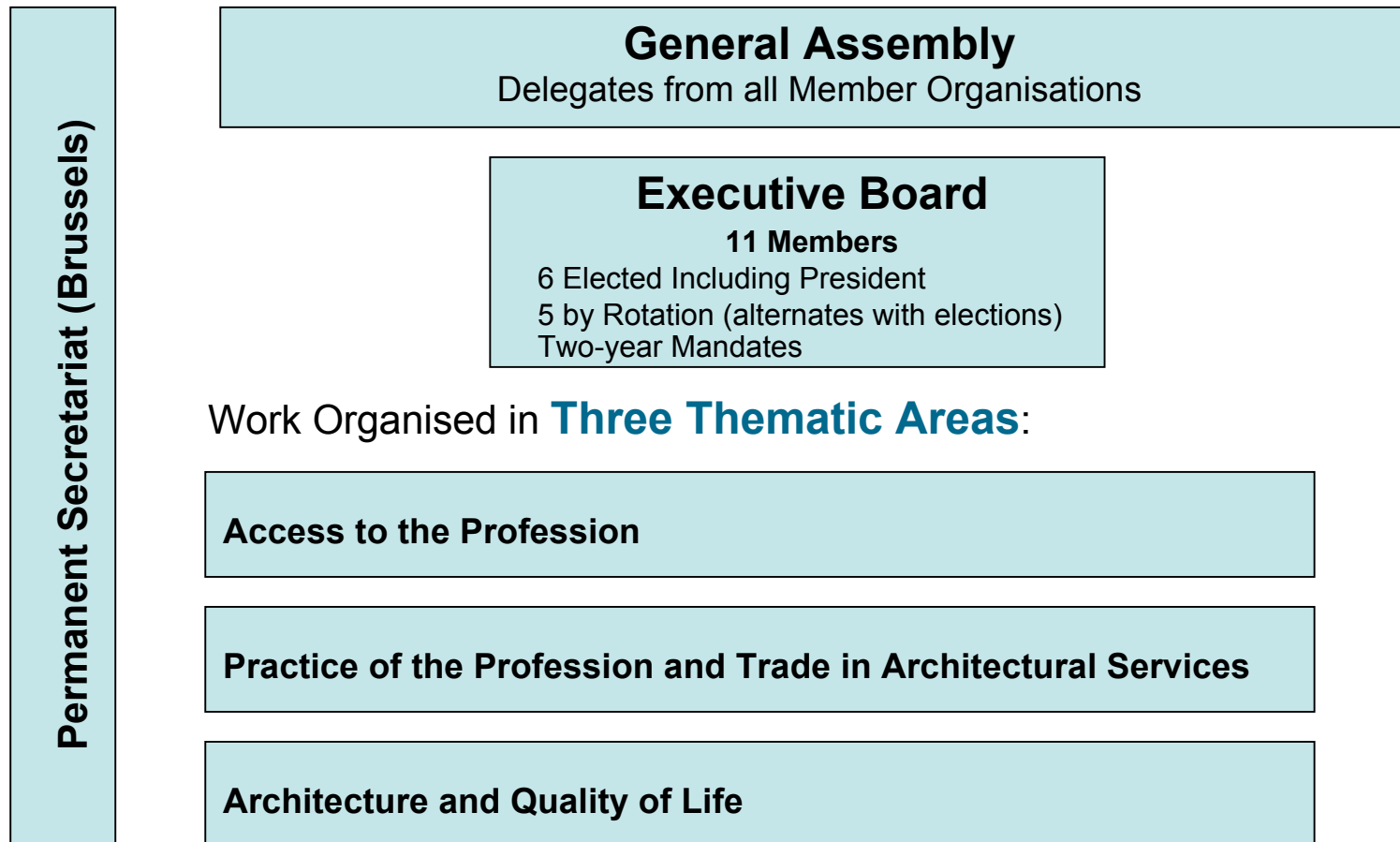
Membership

- **Member Organisations from All EU Countries plus Norway, Switzerland and Candidate Countries**
- **45 Member Organisations, Representative at National Level**
- **Regulatory Bodies and Professional Associations**
- **Represents Over 450,000 Practising Architects**



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Political and Working Structure



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Access to the Profession

Strands of Work:

Education and Training

Professional Qualifications

Professional Practice Experience

Accreditation and Validation

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Practice of Architecture

Strands of Work:

Services in the Internal Market

Trade in Services

Health and Safety

Procurement of Architectural Services

Cost Information Systems

Insurance and Professional Liability

Dispute Resolution

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Architecture and Quality of Life

Strands of Work:

Environment and Sustainable Architecture

Housing

Urban Issues

Indicators - Quality of the Built Environment

Research

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Objects of the ACE

- **To Devote Itself to a Better Understanding of Architectural and Cultural Values and, Beyond this, Promote Quality in the Living Environment**
- **To Promote Higher Levels of Education, Training and Practice of Architecture**
- **To Ensure the Independence and Integrity of the Architectural Profession within the European Union**
- **To Promote the Architectural Profession within the EU and, in particular, with European Union Institutions**

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Main Functions of the ACE

In relation to policies that affect architectural practice and the overall quality and sustainability of the built environment, the ACE undertakes:

To monitor relevant policy and legislative developments

To seek to influence relevant areas of EU Policy

To speak with a single voice on behalf of the profession



Eko Park - Kurlyowicz Architects, Poland

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Actions of the ACE

- **Representation and Advocacy to EU and International Institutions and other Organisations**
- **Active Participation in:**
 - **Relevant Organisations**
 - **Necessary Services**
 - **Relevant Ad-hoc Groups**
- **Communication**



Berlaymont - HQ of the European Commission Brussels
Art+Build Architects

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Representation and Advocacy

- **European Commission**
- **European Parliament**
- **European Council**
- **Economic and Social Committee**
- **Committee of the Regions**

- **Through Members to National, Regional and Local Administrations**

- **Relevant International Institutions**



Main Chamber - European Parliament - Strasbourg
Architecture Studio Europe, Architects

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Memberships and Collaborations

- **European Construction Forum**
- **ECCREDI - European Council for Construction Research, Development and Innovation**
- **European Construction Technology Platform**
- **Other Liberal Professions**
- **UIA - International Union of Architects**
- **Bilateral Co-operation and Mutual Recognition Agreements**
- **Other ...**



Fingal County Offices, Swords, Ireland
Bucholz McEvoy Architects

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Communication Tools

- ACE Info
- Network of Correspondents in the Member Organisations
- Position and Policy Statements
- Conferences, Seminars, Workshops
- Website
- Press Releases
- Publications
- Other ...



ACE Conference at The Flagey, Brussels
Renovation by Philip Samyn Architects

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Essential Requirements

- **Permanent Secretariat in Brussels**
- **Steady Contacts at all Levels**
- **Analytical Capability**
- **Active Presence in Places where Influence is Possible**
- **Consistent Follow-up**
- **Attendance at Meetings in Commission Groups**
- **Active Dissemination and Interaction**



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Current Priorities of the ACE Include

- Mutual Recognition of Qualifications
- Cross-Border Provisions of Architectural Services
- Competition Issues
- Public Procurement Policy
- Health and Safety
- Globalisation and Trade in Services
- Sustainable Urban Environment
- Architecture and Society



Greenhouse, Czech Republic
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