

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR ISOCARP BOARD MEMBER ELECTION

■ **Candidate Name:** Junyan YANG

■ **Position and Affiliation:**

- Member of ISOCARP Scientific Committee (2020-2023)
- Member of council, International Society of Built Environment
- Professor, Doctoral supervisor, School of Architecture, Southeast University
- Vice-Director, Smart City Institute, Southeast University

■ **Candidate Statement**

As the only candidate of East Asia, I am strongly committed to support ISOCARP and its members with activities, events, projects in the region. In the continuation of my recent contributions to the Society, such as the International Digital Urban Design Week in 2019 in Nanjing, the Urban Planning Charrette of Weifang in 2021 and a special session on digital urban design at our Congress in 2019. Since I'm serving as a member of the ISOCARP Scientific Committee (2020-2023) and participated in 3 congresses, I also have a very good understanding of the way our Society works and evolves, and it motivates me to support further ISOCARP in Asia with academic activities, training programs and projects addressed to our members from all countries.

Based on my affiliations and position, I will be able to develop synergies and opportunities for international planners around the world. If I'm elected board member, I will propose 4 actions:

- I will increase the regional influence of ISOCARP in Asia and connect planners, planning institutions and universities in regional countries. I propose to organize regional ISOCARP activities which will include planners from other continents.
- Based on the large number of urban planning and design projects I have carried out in China, I propose to organize YPP and UPATs, workshops and charrettes. It will support Strengthening the role and presence of ISOCARP internationally, with a strong focus on its members.
- I will promote the relationship between ISOCARP and local planning institutes in Asian countries and regions, and establish a good relationship between international organizations and local organizations. It includes the relations between ISOCARP and local government authorities in China.
- I will convene and organize a series of Special Sessions at the World Planning Congress. In the post-Covid times, we will be able to organize a Congress in China.