HONG KONG (April 18, 2019) – The Urban Land Institute (ULI) has announced 15 finalists in the 2019 ULI Asia Pacific Awards for Excellence Competition, for projects that exemplify best land use practice from across the region. Overall winners will be announced at the ULI Asia Pacific Summit in Shanghai between 11-13 June 2019.

A jury, made up of ULI full members from across Asia Pacific, has selected the finalists and will choose the winners. The members of the jury are recognized leaders drawn from many areas of real estate development expertise, including finance, architecture, design, land planning and development, public affairs, design, and professional services. The judging panel is chaired by Ame Engelhart, ULI Trustee from Skidmore Owings Merrill, and the jury includes Bob Pratt, Tishman Speyer; Donald Choi, Chinachem Group; Han Lo, Tatami; Hong Soo Lee, Seoul Housing & Communities Corporation; Kerrie Muskens, Brookfield; Ong Choon Fah, Edmund Tie & Co; Peter Holland, Cistri; Rebecca Cheng, KPF and Siew Leng Fun, URA.

The full list of finalists (developers and designers in parentheses) are:

- **Aoyama Building, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan** (Developer: GreenOak Investment Management K.K., Co-Owner: Mitsubishi Estate Co. Ltd)
- **Barrack Place – 151 Clarence Street, Sydney, New South Wales, Australia** (Developer: Investa Property Group, Owner: IOF Custodian Pty Ltd; Designers: Architectus Group Pty Ltd)
- **Capella Shanghai – Jian Ye Li, Xuhui District, Shanghai, China** (Developers: Hengfu Group, Operator: Capella Group; Designers: AECOM, John Portman & Associates, BLINK, formerly JAYA)
- **COFCO Landmark Plaza, Dongcheng, Beijing, China** (Developer: COFCO Group; Designers: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP, Beijing Institute of Architectural Design, Arup, SWA Group, China Building Technique Group Co. Ltd, Francis Krahe & Associates Inc., Zhaoyiheng Lighting Design (Beijing) Co. Ltd)
- **Fish Lane, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia** (Developer: Aria Property Group, Owner: Brisbane City Council; Designers: Archepeleago, RPS, Urbis, Firefly Lighting)

• **Johnson Controls Headquarters Asia Pacific, Shanghai, China** (Developer: Shanghai New Changning (Group) Co. Ltd; Designers: Gensler, Shanghai Institute of Architectural Design & Research Co. Ltd, Magnusson Klemencic Associates (MKA), Glumac, LEOX, Konstruct West Partners (KWP), BAU, Arup, Zhejiang Shunjie Construction Group Co. Ltd, Shanghai Kangye Construction & Decoration Co. Ltd)

• **Knowledge and Innovation Community (KIC), Shanghai, China** (Developer: Shui On Land; Designers: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP, Palmer & Turner, Atkins, Charpentier Architecture Design, Terry Farrell & Partners, Tongji Design Institute, BWSS, Gensler, Tianhua, Leigh & Orange, Hassell, 3XN, AECOM, EMBT)

• **Lingnan Tiandi LNTD Lot 1, Foshan, Guangdong, China** (Developer: Shui On Land; Designers: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP, Ben Wood Studio Shanghai)

• **Nanjing Hexi Urban Eco Park, Nanjing, Jiangsu, China** (Developer: Hexi New District Development and Construction Headquarters; Designer: AECOM)

• **NEX Tower, Makati City, Metro Manila, Philippines** (Developer: Nova Group; Designers: Skidmore, Owings and Merrill LLP, R. Villarosa Architects, Nova Construction, Sy2 Associates)

• **Pacific Place, Admiralty, Hong Kong SAR, China** (Developer: Swire Properties Limited; Designers: Wong and Ouyang (HK) Ltd, Heatherwick Studio, AFSO)

• **People’s Place – Kai Yip Recreation Centre, Kowloon Bay, Hong Kong SAR, China** (Developer: Gaw Capital Partners-Led Consortium; Designer: SLAB, Trilingua Design, One Bite Social Design)

• **Starfield Hanam, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea** (Developer: Shinsegae Property, Taubman Asia; Designer: Benoy, Junglim Architecture, Kingsman, Softroom, GP Studio)

“A guiding principle of the Urban Land Institute is that the achievement of excellence in land use practice should be recognised and rewarded,” said Nicholas Brooke, ULI Asia Pacific Chairman. “Asia Pacific region is home to many projects which push ingenuity and exemplify best practice in land use, as can be seen in this shortlist from across differing sectors and geographies.”

“It’s nice that we can have an Asia Pacific award to recognise projects that often come from large, super high-density cities such as the Greater Bay Area, Singapore and Metro Manila,” added Ame Engelhart, ULI Trustee, Director Skidmore Owings Merrill and Awards Chair. “These cities have many more challenges than a lot of North America and European cities so it’s good to be able to adjudicate projects based on the constraints and opportunities in Asia.”
“We got a great response in terms of the number of submissions, the quality of entrants was very high and there were some great projects,” noted Peter Holland, ULI Trustee, Director International Property Economics, Cistri and Awards Juror. “There will be a good variety of learnings and lessons from the finalists and winners and some great case studies.”

The ULI Asia Pacific Awards for Excellence recognises superior development efforts across the Asia Pacific region in the private, public, and nonprofit sectors. Projects and programmes are evaluated on the extent to which they:

- Achieve marketplace acceptance/financial success;
- Achieve a high standard of excellence in all areas—architecture, design, planning, construction, amenities, economics, and management, etc.;
- Demonstrate relevance to the contemporary and future needs of the community in which they are located;
- Have a positive impact in their communities and/or immediate context;
- Exhibit environmental sustainability, stewardship, and resiliency, and
- Provide models, lessons, strategies, or techniques that other communities can replicate or adapt.

For further information about the competition, please visit: https://asia.uli.org/programs/awards-and-competition/asia-pacific-awards-for-excellence/

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