



ANNUAL SESSIONS 2027

SLIA ARCHITECTURAL RESEARCH AWARD

SUBMISSION CRITERIA

Sri Lanka Institute of Architects
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1. BACKGROUND

The SLIA seeks to encourage its members to undertake and contribute to architectural research and to recognize work that advances professional knowledge and supports the dissemination of research findings. The SLIA Architectural Research Award is presented annually, coinciding with the SLIA Annual Sessions, to recognize outstanding contributions to architectural research.

The Award recognizes eligible research publications and conference presentations produced during the five-year period preceding the closing date of applications.

2. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

The SLIA Architectural Research Award will be assessed on the basis of the applicant's self-evaluation against the criteria below. The maximum points available are as follows: **A minimum of three (3) submissions in each applicable category will carry the maximum points allocated to that category, subject to verification and assessment by the Evaluation Panel. Minimum total marks required for consideration: is 70 points out of 210 points.**

No.	Type of Work	Maximum Points
1	Published research in locally or internationally refereed and indexed journals*	30
2	Published research based on the applicant's own creative work or that of others, with clear evidence of the applicant's research contribution (excluding self-publication) **	30
3	Published research in local or international non-indexed journals where the article is refereed (excluding newspaper articles)	30
4	Other published research, excluding self-publication, considered acceptable by the Evaluation Panel	15
5	Research Papers presented at local or international conferences where the full paper is refereed and published	30
6	Research Papers presented at local or international conferences where the full paper is refereed but only the abstract is published	15
7	Lectures and Presentations on Research work at international gatherings, whether or not the proceedings are published	30
8	Lectures and Presentations on Research work at local gatherings, whether or not the proceedings are published	15
9	Other conference presentation on Research work considered acceptable by the Evaluation Panel	15

Notes on the Evaluation Criteria

* Indexed journals are journals tracked by reputable indexing services such as the Science Citation Index, Social Science Citation Index, Arts & Humanities Index, RIBA Index, Cambridge Scientific Abstracts, or other recognized indexing services. Proof of indexing must be submitted. A copy of the journal cover page or table of contents indicating the indexing service is acceptable.

** Publications based on creative work must constitute substantive research and should not be merely a collection of pictorial evidence. The applicant must provide a narrative demonstrating the nature and extent of the applicant's research contribution.

The Council may determine the number and form of Awards from among applicants who satisfy the minimum eligibility and assessment requirements. Where appropriate, the Council may determine a ranked award structure.

3. ELIGIBILITY

All Corporate Members of the Sri Lanka Institute of Architects are eligible to apply.

Eligible works are publications and conference presentations that appeared in print during the five-year period preceding the closing date of applications.

Points shall not be claimed for publications or other works for which an SLIA Architectural Research & Publication Award has previously been awarded.

4. METHOD OF APPLICATION

Applications shall be submitted exclusively through the SLIA online awards application portal: www.awards.slia.lk.

Applicants shall complete the prescribed Self-Evaluation Form and submit supporting evidence for every work claimed. Copies of all Research Publications / Presentations and relevant supporting documentation must be uploaded and clearly numbered to correspond with the entries in the Self-Evaluation Form.

5. FORMAT FOR REFERENCES TO PUBLISHED WORK

Applicants should provide references in the following formats:

A. Journal / Other Publications

Name of journal or publication (in italics), year of publication, place of publication, publisher, volume/issue number and page numbers.

Example: *Architectural Science Review*, 1997, Sydney, Australia, Vol. 40, Issue 2, pp. 123–135.

B. Conference Proceedings

Name of conference/event (in italics), date and year of conference, place of event, and page numbers in the proceedings.

Example: *ARCASIA Regional Conference*, 2–3 November 2004, Beijing, China, pp. 13–15.

C. Keynote Addresses / Other Presentations

Name of event (in italics), date and year, and place. Documentary evidence confirming the invitation and/or presentation must also be submitted.

D. Books

Author/editor name, title, date/year of publication, ISBN (if applicable), publisher, and a brief description of the source or relevant publication information.

6. JUDGING

Awardees will be selected by an Evaluation Panel appointed by the Council. The Panel will comprise:

1. Senior Vice President – Convener;
2. Chairman, Board of Architectural Education;
3. Chairman, Board of Architectural Publications;
4. Two members of the Institute who, in the opinion of the Council, have made substantial contributions to architectural research and/or architectural publications; and
5. Reviewers for specific areas of study, who may be SLIA members or non-members, as determined by the Council.

The Evaluation Panel will review the submitted evidence, verify the eligibility of claimed work, and assess submissions in accordance with the published criteria.

7. ENTRY FEE AND CLOSING DATE

Entry Fee: LKR 27,500.00

Closing Date and Time: 16:00 hrs on Thursday, 31 December 2026.

Important: No extensions will be considered after the closing date and time.

8. ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS

The results will be announced following Council ratification. Award recipients will receive a memento and certificate, as applicable to the type of Award, at the Inauguration Ceremony of the SLIA Annual Sessions 2027.

9. CLARIFICATIONS

Applicants may seek written clarification regarding the submission procedure from the Senior Vice President of the SLIA via sliaoffice2@gmail.com.

The decision of the appointed Evaluation Panel, subject to Council ratification where applicable, shall be final and conclusive.

Arch. Prasanna Silva, FIA (SL)

Senior Vice President

Convener

Chairman, Awards Committee

Sri Lanka Institute of Architects

SELF-EVALUATION FORM

Name of Applicant: _____

Membership No.: _____

List your eligible research publications and conference presentations under the appropriate category. Upload copies of all supporting documents and number them to correspond with the entries below. The maximum points available for each category are shown in the table.

Reference	Research Work / Presentation Details	Maximum Points Considered	Points Claimed by Applicant	Points obtained after Evaluation
1.	Published research in locally or internationally refereed and indexed journals*	30		
Submission 1.1		10		
Submission 1.2		10		
Submission 1.3		10		
2.	Published research based on the applicant's own creative work or that of others, with clear evidence of the applicant's research contribution (excluding self-publication) **	30		
Submission 2.1		10		
Submission 2.2		10		
Submission 2.3		10		
3.	Published research in local or international non-indexed journals where the article is refereed (excluding newspaper articles)	30		
Submission 3.1		10		
Submission 3.2		10		
Submission 3.3		10		
4.	Other published research, excluding self-publication, considered acceptable by the Evaluation Panel	15		
Submission 4.1		05		
Submission 4.2		05		
Submission 4.3		05		

5.	Research Papers presented at local or international conferences where the full paper is refereed and published	30		
Submission 5.1		10		
Submission 5.2		10		
Submission 5.3		10		
6.	Research Papers presented at local or international conferences where the full paper is refereed but only the abstract is published	15		
Submission 6.1		05		
Submission 6.2		05		
Submission 6.3		05		
7.	Lectures and Presentations on Research work at international gatherings, whether or not the proceedings are published	30		
Submission 7.1		10		
Submission 7.2		10		
Submission 7.3		10		
8.	Lectures and Presentations on Research work at local gatherings, whether or not the proceedings are published	15		
Submission 8.1		05		
Submission 8.2		05		
Submission 8.3		05		
9.	Other conference presentation on Research work considered acceptable by the Evaluation Panel	15		
Submission 9.1		05		
Submission 9.2		05		
Submission 9.3		05		
TOTAL POINTS CLAIMED BY APPLICANT				
TOTAL POINTS OBTAINED AFTER EVALUATION				

Declaration: I certify that the information submitted in this Self-Evaluation Form and the supporting documentation is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____