

Memorandum of Agreement
Between
Society of American Military Engineers
And
American Institute of Architects

Introduction

The terms and conditions outlined in this Memorandum of Agreement will guide the Society of American Military Engineers (“SAME”) and the American Institute of Architects (“AIA.”) Its execution recognizes the intent of the two organizations to form a strategic alliance to facilitate collaboration and information sharing to enhance the profession of architecture in the Department of Defense and other related federal agencies, and to enhance the body of knowledge for architecture in the public and private sectors.

SAME Mission

“To promote and facilitate engineering support for national security by developing and enhancing relationships and competencies among uniformed services, public- and private-sector engineers and related professionals, and by developing future engineers through outreach and mentoring.”

The American Institute of Architects Mission

“The AIA serves as the voice of the architecture profession and the resource for our members in service to society.”

Areas of Mutual Support

Promotion of Excellence in the Built Environment

SAME and AIA agree to promote excellence in architecture and the built environment through awards programs, program content, and published materials. SAME will include AIA members on their Urbahn Medal Jury. AIA will include a public sector architect on their Thomas Jefferson Award Jury.

Annual Conferences

SAME and AIA agree to support each other’s national conferences by providing speakers for consideration by the other’s program committees. Accepted programs shall be identified as AIA-SAME sessions. SAME and AIA agree to advertise each other’s national conferences (SAME’s Architectural Practice Committee sessions and the AIA’s Public Architects Workshop) in their respective publications (SAME’s *Architectural Practice Newsletter* AIA’s *Cornerstone*) and provide links to the respective conference websites.

Professional Development, Education and Training

SAME agrees to promote AIA Public Architect education and training courses, seminars and webinars to its members, and in return AIA agrees to promote SAME Architectural Practice Committee education and training courses.

