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Canadian Landscape Architects Support the International Global Accord: Adaptation for a Changing World

Ottawa – November 29th, 2018 – As of November 9th, 2018, the nine regional, provincial and territorial associations that comprise the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) have ratified the International Federation of Landscape Architects' (IFLA) historic Global Accord on adaptation for a changing world. Initially ratified by the IFLA World Council (comprised of representatives from 76 national associations from the IFLA World Regions: Americas, Europe, Africa, Middle East and Asia-Pacific) the Accord. establishes three guiding principles for planning and design decision-making and encourages collaboration across disciplines and geographic and national boundaries. The Canadian was the first national association to ratify the Accord, and is also the first to have completed ratification by all its regional, provincial and territorial components including:

- o Alberta Association of Landscape Architects
- o Association des architectes paysagistes du Québec
- o Atlantic Provinces Association of Landscape Architects
- o British Columbia Society of Landscape Architects
- o Manitoba Association of Landscape Architects
- o Northwest Territories Association of Landscape Architects
- o Nunavut Association of Landscape Architects
- o Ontario Association of Landscape Architects
- o Saskatchewan Association of Landscape Architects

According to Colleen Mercer Clarke, chair of both the CSLA's Committee on Climate Adaptation and the IFLA Climate Change Working Group:

The CSLA component associations' approval of the accord is a clear demonstration of Canadian landscape architects' commitment to climate adaptation. Canadian landscape architects understand that our greatest contributions to ensuring a prosperous future are vested in the creation of human societies characterized by an enhanced capacity for resilience, a willingness to transform to a better state, and a commitment to ensuring the long-term sustainability of environments, cultures and well-being.

The IFLA promotes the landscape architecture profession collaborating with allied built-environment professions, and demanding the highest standards of education, training, research and professional practice. As a leading international body, IFLA is dedicated to the promotion of a globally sustainable and balanced living environment and the enhancement of well-being in human communities. Through the Global Accord, IFLA will provide leadership to demonstrate the human capacity for innovation in facing the challenges of today while preparing for an everchanging future. For more information visit: www.iflaonline.org



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The Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) is a professional organization with landscape architect members, associate (or intern) members and student of landscape architecture members. As the voice of the profession in Canada, the CSLA is an advocate for its members on issues such as urban design, urban renewal, sustainable development, climate change and cultural heritage. For more information visit: www.csla-aapc.ca

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