

MANUEL DER HAGOPIAN



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Born in Switzerland, Manuel Der Hagopian graduated from the Geneva Institute of Architecture, Switzerland (IAUG) and Belleville School of Architecture, Paris (ENSAPB). He is one of group8asia's co-founders and partner in charge of operations at the Singapore office, as well as co-management of offices in Geneva, Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City with co-founder and partner, Grégoire Du Pasquier.

His main responsibilities include design direction, conceptual design and project management. Notable projects under the direction of Manuel include; Punggol Waterway Terraces (Singapore), North Tampines Residents (Singapore), The Alps Residents (Singapore), FPT Soft Village 3 and 4 (Hanoi, Vietnam). His notable projects in Switzerland include numerous residential projects such as White Ships (Bulle), Bellevue project and Twin houses (Geneva).

Through group8asia's think tank, aptly named 8+, he is currently pursuing his strong interest in the consequences of a rapidly growing population's impact on residential housing in South East Asia. His study focuses on the correlation between evolutionary paradigms of Singapore and Hong Kong.

Since 2015, he is has been a guest professor at SUTD (Singapore University of Technology and Design), where he aims to strengthen the transfer of architectural and design knowledge between Singapore and Switzerland.

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

2006 - now	Partner & Co-founder of group8asia
2000 - 2013	Partner & Co-founder of group8
1998 - 2000	Practice as independent architect with DHZ architects

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

2012	(BSA FAS) Member of the Federation of Swiss Architect
2006	(AGA) Association Genevoise des Architectes
1998	(MPQ) Membre Professionnel Qualifié

EDUCATION

1998	Master degree in Architecture, Geneva Institute of Architecture, Switzerland
1995 - 1997	Paris Belleville School of architecture, Paris, France

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2016	Invited Professor at the Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD), studio "Industrial Shelter"
2015	Invited Professor at the Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD), studio "New Sustainable Housing Mass"
2015	Invited Professor at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Lausanne, Switzerland (EPFL), studio "Alice"
2006 - 2007	Invited Professor at Master of Architecture, University of Hanoi, Vietnam

LECTURES

2016	"A Singapore Prototype" at Singapore ETH Center
2015	"Architectural paysage", at green urbanscape asia in Singapore
2015	"Transfer", at the opening ceremony of BDNA in Singapore
2015	"Transfer", a conference along with a delegation of Swiss economists in Singapore
2015	"A subjective journey through tropical architecture", at VNCC in Vietnam
2015	"Sustainable architecture : time is now", round table organized by the Alliance Française of Singapore
2014	"Swiss-itude" in the ETH Center Future Cities Laboratory in Singapore
2014	"Waterway Terraces Making Off", in collaboration with the Swiss Business Association of Singapore



PROJECTS

2015 - 2019	Partner in Charge of the competition " The Alps " at Tampines, Singapore International competition, project winner / GFA: 45'000 m ² with 600 residences / Budget: 70 million USD
2015 - 2016	Partner in Charge of facade consultant project " Intercontinental Phu Quoc Resort " in Phu Quoc, Vietnam Direct commission / GFA: 72'000 m ² / Budget: 57 million USD
2014 - 2016	Partner in Charge of " Concrete Lace " FPT office building in F-Ville, Hanoi, Vietnam Direct commission / GFA: 27'000 m ² / Budget: confidential
2014 - present	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of " Village C3 " office building in F-Ville, Hanoi, Vietnam Direct commission / GFA: 25'000 m ² / Budget: 12 million USD
2013 - present	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of " Green Canyons " at Tampines North, Singapore International competition, project winner / GFA: 220'000 m ² with 2'000 residences, parking 1'058 parking spaces / Budget: 240 million USD
2013 - present	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of " Bintulu ", retail, residential & resort facilities in Malaysia Direct commission / Site: 460Ha / Budget: confidential
2012 - 2013	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of " High Tech Landscape " offices and " Dots " pavilion, Hanoi, Vietnam Direct commission / GFA: 15'000 m ² / Budget: 10 million USD
2012 - present	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of project " Housing Building, Offices & Facilities " in Zurich, Switzerland Direct commission / 100 units, GFA: 30'000 m ² / Budget: confidential
2009 - present	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of " Punggol Waterway Terraces I & II ", Singapore International competition, project winner / 21 floors, GFA: 255'000 m ² with 1'876 residences, parking 1'150 spaces / Budget: 265 million USD
2009	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of project " Hancom Five Stars Center ", Hanoi, Vietnam Direct commission / GFA: 98'000 m ² / Budget: 9 million USD
2009	Partner in Charge - " Housing Master Planning Chapelle-Les Sciens " in Plan-les-Ouates, Geneva, Switzerland Direct commission / Site: 2 Hectares / Budget: confidential
2008 - 2009	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of project " Office Building Coalimex ", Hanoi, Vietnam Winning competition / 11 floors, GFA: 10'000 m ² / Budget: 8.5 million USD
2007	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of project " FPT Hoa Lac High Tech Park ", Ha Tay, Vietnam Direct commission / Site: 85 Hectares / Budget: confidential
2006 - 2007	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of project " Four Residential Buildings in Mauvernay ", Switzerland Direct commission for design and execution / 80 apartments, GFA: 10'000 m ² / Budget: 30 million USD
2003 - 2005	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of project " Three Residential Buildings in Bulle ", Switzerland Direct commission for design and execution / GFA: 11'300 m ² / Budget: 24 million USD
1998 - 2002	Partner in Charge - Project & Design Director of project " 4-star Hotel Real ", Nyon, Switzerland Direct commission for design and execution / Program: 30 rooms, restaurant & bar / Budget: 7 million USD