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MEIER PARTNERS ANNOUNCES KEVIN THOMAS AS MANAGING PRINCIPAL.



New York, New York - October 31, 2024 – After a global search, Meier Partners is pleased to announce the appointment of Kevin Thomas as the Managing Principal. This marks the beginning of an exciting new chapter for Meier Partners as Kevin joins leadership in building and shaping its future.

Through his forward-thinking perspective and diverse expertise in operations, strategy and design, Kevin, together with Partner Dukho Yeon, will spearhead the firm's next phase of growth and evolution.

Originally from Toronto, Canada, he brings over 25 years of experience in the design and delivery of complex architectural projects. Kevin's design philosophy emphasizes inclusivity, prioritizing people, community and timeless architecture.

Building on Meier Partners 61-years of design, Kevin will advance the firm's commitment to creating impactful and uplifting environments that inspire, enrich and respond to communities worldwide, while also nurturing relationships with new and existing clients and collaborators that share in our design philosophy and principles. Additionally, he will oversee project management and business development, ensuring successful project delivery while fostering the continued growth of the firm and taking an active role in expanding the Meier Partners team of expertise and diversity.

Through the firm's ongoing project work, collaborations and internal development, Kevin will lead a campaign to articulate what Meier Partners represents today - highlighting how the firm is uniquely positioned to add value and enrich the dialogue surrounding the built environment across multiple market sectors.

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Meier Partners is also pleased to announce the promotion of Stefan Scheiber-Loeis and Guillermo Murcia to Principals. Their continued leadership and direction, together with Design Partner Dukho Yeon, Ana Meier and newly appointed Managing Principal Kevin Thomas, will provide a powerful vanguard for the firm's future. Together they will continue to uphold and advance Meier Partners' vision, positioning it for continued growth and innovation in architecture. We look forward to the impactful contributions the entire team will bring to the future of Meier Partners.

Additionally, with Kevin Thomas taking over operational functions of the firm, Meier Partners bids a fond farewell to George Miller, who, after a distinguished career working at Pei, Cobb, Freed for 40 years and serving as COO of Meier Partners for the past 6 years, will be retiring.

Kevin Thomas Bio:

Kevin Thomas, OAA, MRAIC is the Managing Principal of Meier Partners LLP. Previously he served as the Managing Principal at Trahan Architects and leadership team at REX Architecture. Throughout his 25-year career, Kevin has led several prestigious institutional and cultural projects including The Lindemann Performing Arts Center at Brown University, the Kellogg School of Management Global Hub at Northwestern University, the New Orleans Cultural Burial Museum and the USA Pavilion at Expo 2025 in Osaka. Kevin has developed a strong portfolio of diverse typologies and scales including performing arts centers, museums, commercial towers, and higher education buildings that create innovative and impactful spaces. Kevin received his education at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada where he received a Bachelor of Architecture, receiving the AIA Henry Adams medal. He has been a guest critic at various universities and participated in numerous panels and lectures.

Stefan Scheiber-Loeis Bio:

For the last 28 years, Stefan Scheiber-Loeis, has been a collaborative member of Meier Partner's senior management team, instrumental in shaping a wide range of projects as a principal designer, manager and technical advisor. As one of the Principals of the firm, Stefan will build on his long history of leadership and strategic contributions, as well as continue his role as mentor for architects at the firm. Notable projects throughout his tenure at Meier Partners include the 685 First Avenue Residential Tower in New York City, CDC Xin-Yi Residential Tower in Taipei, the Frieder Burda Museum in Baden-Baden, the Arp Museum in Rolandseck, the Department Store for Peek & Cloppenburg in Mannheim, the Beach Houses and Beach Hotel in Jesolo, ECM Pankrac City Master Plan in Prague, Siemens Headquarters OVMR, Munich as well as multiple competition entries in collaboration with international consultants and design partners. He currently oversees the development of the Hanalei Ranch in Kauai and various private residences in Europe.

Guillermo Murcia, AIA, LEED AP Bio:

Since joining the firm 20 years ago, newly appointed Principal Guillermo Murcia has embraced a wide number of roles in urban design, residential, hospitality, and commercial projects. His contributions to the firm range from conceptual aspects of design and development to cultivating strong relationships with clients. Mr. Murcia has nurtured and honed his design and managerial skills within the firm at which he commenced as a Senior Designer. His early collaborations were instrumental in the fulfillment of large projects in the Czech Republic and Newark, followed by a robust period of conception and design of numerous projects in Latin America, Asia, Europe and the United States. Some notable exemplars include the Seamarq Hotel and JEI Commercial Building in South Korea, the Vitrvm Residential Towers in Colombia, the SoMa Master Plan in Newark, One Waterline in New York and Parkview in Prague. He currently oversees several projects in South Korea and Spain, including the recently completed Sorol Art Museum in Gangneung, South Korea.

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About Meier Partners:

Meier Partners comprises a diverse team of over 30 design professionals offering comprehensive design services, including urban planning, architecture, and interior design. With projects completed and underway in South America, Europe, Asia, and the US, the firm builds on a legacy of visionary design. Over more than 60 years, Meier Partners has completed over 130 global projects, including notable works like the renowned Barcelona Museum of Contemporary Art, the iconic Getty Center in Los Angeles, the acclaimed Jubilee Church in Rome and most recently the Sorol Art Museum in South Korea. Each Meier Partners project is a complete, immersive environment — a harmonious whole greater than the sum of its parts. The design approach undertaken for each of our projects is collaborative and driven to create architecture that has a positive social and environmental impact. The studio's thoughtful application of cohesive design principles produces architecture that is exceptional not only in its clarity and simplicity but in its capacity to elevate and inspire.

The studio currently has work spanning multiple continents. In Korea, design development has just been completed for the Children's Dream Center and Children's Eco Museum, an integrated facility that will provide a holistic learning environment for children. Additionally in Seoul, Meier Partners has recently completed the design and commenced construction administration for the landmark tower Kiwoom Finance Square for a leading IT and high-tech financial services company. Recently completed in Germany are the Stuttgart Residences, a low-rise residential building, and Meier Partners also has a new residential project under way in Hanalei Bay, Hawaii. Additional projects on the boards are in Dubai and Barcelona.

For more information on the work of Meier Partners, please visit www.meierpartners.com Photographs courtesy of Meier Partners.

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