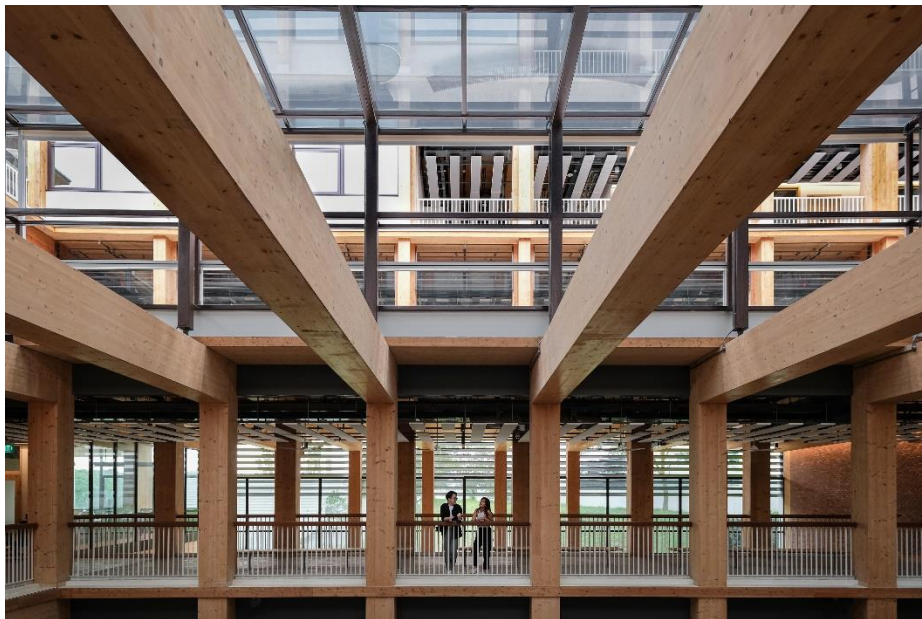




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**RSP Architects clinched the Design Award for Gaia at the SIA  
Architectural Design Awards 2023**



*Gaia won the Design Award at the SIA Architectural Design Awards 2023 (Image Credit: Madeni Jais)*

**Singapore, 4 September 2023** – RSP Architects Planners & Engineers (Pte) Ltd (RSP), a global multidisciplinary architectural and engineering design group with over 65 years of experience building alongside Singapore, proudly received the Design Award at The Singapore Institute of Architects (SIA) Architectural Design Awards 2023. The esteemed award recognises their exceptional work in collaboration with Toyo Ito & Associates, Architects, for Nanyang Technological University (NTU) Academic Building South. Better known as Gaia, the infrastructure is a groundbreaking six-storey Mass Engineered Timber (MET) masterpiece that spans approximately 220 meters in length.

## **Gaia – Asia's most expansive wooden edifice**



*Gaia (Image Credit: Madeni Jais)*

Named after the Greek Earth Goddess, Gaia represents a bold marriage between Toyo Ito & Associates, Architects and RSP, showcasing excellence in design of education environments and sustainable architectural expertise. The six-story construction serves as a hub for learning, research, and innovation – a place where NTU students, faculty, and staff connect and collaborate.

The SIA Architectural Design Awards 2023 recognises the achievements of local architects in their pursuit of building excellence and innovation, and their invaluable contribution to broadening conversations about architecture within and beyond the discipline. The coveted Design Award accredited RSP for their ingenious architectural design, cutting-edge engineering, and unwavering commitment to sustainability when building Gaia.

"This project symbolises the epitome of collaborative innovation, pushing the boundaries of design, sustainability, and construction techniques. We are incredibly honoured and thrilled to be recognised by the SIA Architectural Design Awards 2023; it underscores our unwavering commitment to pushing the boundaries of design and innovation at RSP Singapore," said Mr. Seah Chee Kien, Senior Managing Director of RSP Singapore.

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**About RSP Architects Planners & Engineers (Pte) Ltd**

Headquartered in Singapore, [RSP Architects Planners & Engineers \(Pte\) Ltd](#) (RSP) is a global multidisciplinary architectural and engineering design group with over 65 years of experience building alongside Singapore. At RSP, delivering humanity-centred design is our philosophy. We put forth designs that inspire and engage with society and the environment. We embrace spaces for humanity, translate stories into real spaces, and create purposeful designs for a better world.

We are constantly evolving alongside the changes of tomorrow to make a purposeful impact on the future of the built environment. Our multidisciplinary team of 1,200 industry experts across 15 markets has successfully completed over 2,500 projects globally to build spaces that prioritise people, community, and environment while finding innovative ways to bring their unique stories to life through design. From physical spaces to the digital realm and beyond, design permeates every aspect of our work. At RSP, design meets humanity.