

PRESIDENT'S LETTER



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Dear SIORs,

Welcome to sunny San Diego! Well, OK. We're not there yet, but April 13 – 16 we will be soaking up the sun, having fun with our 1,000 or so colleagues, so if you haven't registered and booked your flight, do it now! With the first of our 75th anniversary celebrations, you're not going to want to miss this one. Great speakers, great networking, great fun! The main party event will be on the aircraft carrier USS Midway. It'll be amazing!

As many of you know, SIR was founded just prior to WW II and was instrumental in helping the U.S. Government locate facilities for the war effort. SIOR has grown and created so many relationships and memories, so please come help us celebrate this huge milestone anniversary and make even more great memories.

New Issue, New Look

For some time now, a group of SIORs have been working to help us update our brand to reflect a "best in class" look. It's appropriate that we have a logo that signifies the growth and transformation of SIOR. This new logo brings us into the next 75 years with a continued culture of professionalism built over the last 75 years.

Your *SIOR Report* magazine now reflects a new look we have created and I hope you'll love it as much as I do. We are always looking for ways to improve, so as members, I hope you are proud of this enough to send a copy to friends and clients.

Visit the resources and logo files on the website (also sporting a new look) to help you transition your own materials. Go to MySIOR to download the digital logos.



On April 15, 2016 SIOR will host its 75th anniversary celebration on the USS Midway in San Diego at the Spring World Conference.

London, First International European Conference!

Your international partners in Europe are working very hard to pull together a tremendous event. This is a huge opportunity to network with SIOR/IAMC/RICS members in fabulous London. Held at the Grosvenor Square Marriott, please go to <http://sio-reurope.com> and sign up to join us. It's tax deductible!

New Governance

The governance structure of SIOR has gone through a pretty dramatic overhaul in the last year. While I know this is not a terribly exciting subject, I just want all of you to be aware that with this new structure there are new opportunities to serve in a leadership capacity which you may not be aware. We have formed a new Membership Coalition Council which is a new body of membership designed to give all groups within SIOR a voice in our governance structure. Another is the Board of Directors has been restructured. Each year SIOR will call for open seats to be filled by members. All members will have an opportunity to be elected. Please see me or any Board member to discuss. We are truly excited about these new changes and what they'll mean going into the next 75 years.

Thank You!

I want to thank every one of you for your commitment, dedication and contributions to SIOR over whatever part of the past 75 years you've participated. I especially want to thank our Legacy members, those with 30 years or more of membership. We all like to share how many years we've been in SIOR, but the Legacy members have us youngsters beat! Seriously though, it's those Legacy members that did the heavy lifting over their years of membership so that our SIOR designation means what it does today, the highest brand of professionalism in commercial real estate. So raise a glass to SIOR and our Legacy members.

See you in San Diego at the Spring World Conference April 13 – 16. Last one there...



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