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Ala Hason Joins RNL's Global Team as MENA Regional Director

Denver, CO, April 2, 2012 – **RNL**, an international architecture, interior design, landscape architecture, planning and urban design firm, is please to announce the addition of **Ala Hason** as MENA (Middle East North Africa) Regional Director.

"Ala's experience, spanning the Middle East and Northern Africa to China and the four corners of the United States, is an enormous asset to the firm and to the firm's clients," Joshua Gould, AIA, Chairman and CEO of RNL, said. "His familiarity with the region, including seven years in Kuwait, coupled with an extensive knowledge of the IBC (International Business Code), will further our goals of delivering world class-design to clients throughout the MENA region."

Ala Hason joined RNL from the Denver office of Fentress Architects where he served as Director of International Development since 2009. Before that, Ala was the Managing Director and Principal of Gensler's operations for Denver. Ala specializes in planning and urban design, hospitality, office, corporate headquarters and transportation structures, as well as, higher education and museum facilities. His influence can be seen around the globe through projects in Kuwait, Syria, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Eritrea, Lebanon, and China, as well as several large scale projects in the United States. Ala earned his Master of Architecture with a minor in Landscape Architecture from North Carolina State University and a Bachelor of Architecture from Ain Shams University in Cairo, Egypt. He is fluent in both English and Arabic.

Ala added, "I am looking forward to using the knowledge and expertise at RNL to be part of the exciting growth and development in the MENA Region: true sustainable development, which respects the heritage and the cultural values of the area and implements lasting social, economic and physical growth and prosperity for generations to come."

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Patrick M. McKelvey, Senior Principal and current Regional Director for the Middle East, will be leading RNL's expansion into Southeast Asia in the coming months.

RNL is a global, full-service design firm specializing in sustainable, integrated design. Founded in 1956, **RNL** offers a continuum of design services, including architecture, interior design, landscape architecture, urban design and planning. **RNL** has offices in Phoenix, Denver, Los Angeles, Washington DC and Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. In May of 2011, **RNL** was ranked #20 on *Architect* magazine's The Architect 50, an annual ranking of American architecture firms. For more information, please visit www.rnldesign.com.

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