

# La Biennale di Venezia

## 17<sup>th</sup> International Architecture Exhibition

Declaration by Roberto Cicutto  
*President of La Biennale di Venezia*



The events of the past few weeks have prevented a direct encounter with the curator of the Biennale Architettura 2020, Hashim Sarkis, to whom I wish a marvelous experience, as well as with the national and international press, whom I thank for the attention they pay to La Biennale. I would also like to greet and thank the entire Biennale staff, who, with their proven competence and professionalism, will be accompanying me in this challenging role.

My arrival at La Biennale as President follows an extraordinary period under the skillful guidance of Paolo Baratta, who has handed over to me both a perfect organization and a legacy of indisputable successes.

I thank him for the treasured friendship and generosity with which he has introduced me into the oldest and most prestigious Institution in Italy (and abroad) in the field of the Arts, Cinema, and live performances (Music, Dance, Theatre).

Roberto Cicutto, *President of La Biennale di Venezia*