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## Acronyms

<b>ADCOM</b>	Advisory Committee
<b>CAR</b>	International Scientific Committee on Rock Art
<b>CIAV</b>	International Scientific Committee on Vernacular Architecture
<b>CIF</b>	International Scientific Committee on Education and Training
<b>CIIC</b>	International Scientific Committee on Cultural Routes
<b>CIPA</b>	International Scientific Committee on Heritage Documentation (ICOMOS – ISPRS)
<b>CIVVIH</b>	International Scientific Committee on Historic Towns and Villages
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>EXCOM</b>	Executive Committee
<b>FSWG</b>	Financial Strategy Working Group
<b>GA</b>	General Assembly
<b>HUL</b>	Historic Urban Landscapes
<b>ICA</b>	International Council on Archives
<b>ICAHM</b>	International Scientific Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management
<b>ICCROM</b>	International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property
<b>ICICH</b>	International Scientific Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage
<b>ICIP</b>	International Scientific Committee on Interpretation and Presentation
<b>ICLAFI</b>	International Scientific Committee on Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues
<b>ICOFORT</b>	International Scientific Committee on Fortifications and Military Heritage
<b>ICOM</b>	International Council of Museums
<b>ICOMOS</b>	International Council on Monuments and Sites
<b>ICORP</b>	International Scientific Committee on Risk Preparedness
<b>ICSBH</b>	International Scientific Committee on Shared Built Heritage
<b>ICTC</b>	International Scientific Committee on Cultural Tourism
<b>ICUCH</b>	International Scientific Committee on Underwater Cultural Heritage
<b>IFLA</b>	International Federation of Landscape Architects
<b>IFLA</b>	International Federation of Library Associations
<b>IICC-X</b>	ICOMOS International Conservation Centre, Xi'an (China)
<b>IIBC</b>	International Scientific Committee on Wood
<b>IPHC</b>	International Scientific Committee on Polar Heritage
<b>ISC</b>	International Scientific Committee
<b>ISC20C</b>	International Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century Heritage
<b>ISCARSAH</b>	International Scientific Committee on Analysis and Restoration of Structures of Architectural Heritage
<b>ISCLL</b>	International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes (ICOMOS-IFLA)
<b>ISCEAH</b>	International Scientific Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage
<b>ISCEC</b>	International Scientific Committee on Economics of Conservation
<b>ISCS</b>	International Scientific Committee on Stone
<b>ISPRS</b>	International Society of Photogrammetry & Remote Sensing
<b>IUCN</b>	International Union for Conservation of Nature
<b>NC</b>	National Committee
<b>Pasifika</b>	International Scientific Committee for the Pacific Islands
<b>SOC</b>	State of conservation (reports)
<b>UIA</b>	International Union of Architects
<b>UNESCO</b>	United Nations Organisation for Education, Science and Culture
<b>WH</b>	World Heritage
<b>WHWG</b>	World Heritage Working Group





## About ICOMOS

### Its role: to conserve and promote

ICOMOS, the International Council on Monuments and Sites, is a global non-governmental organisation associated with UNESCO. It is dedicated to promoting the conservation, protection, use and enhancement of monuments, built ensembles and sites. It is involved in the development of common doctrines, in the evolution and circulation of ideas, and in raising awareness.

ICOMOS is an advisory body to the World Heritage Committee for the implementation of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention. As such, it evaluates World Heritage nominations for the cultural properties and advises on the state of conservation of properties already inscribed on the World Heritage List.

Its founding in 1965 was the logical outcome of discussions that architects, historians and international specialists had had since the beginning of the 20th century, which led to the adoption of the Venice Charter in 1964. As a result of numerous articles, papers, symposia, seminars and reflections carried out by its National and International Scientific Committees, ICOMOS has slowly built a philosophical and doctrinal framework for heritage at international level.

### Its values: united around heritage

#### **Social and cultural diversity, and common purpose**

Scholars, scientists, heritage legal experts, economists, engineers, craftsmen, professionals, academics, private consultants, local authorities or State representatives, etc., coming from all around the world and from diverse and complementary professional backgrounds bring together their ideas and know-how, in a spirit of common purpose and respect for cultural differences.

#### **Impartiality**

As a non-governmental organisation, ICOMOS is one of the three consultative bodies of the World Heritage Convention. In providing its institutional advice, ICOMOS relies upon a network of experts, chosen for their abilities and experience, to give independent technical assessments whilst respecting ethical guidelines.

#### **International exchanges, North/South dialogue, solidarity**

ICOMOS, like all organisations working with UNESCO, is dedicated to bringing peoples of all cultures together. For this very reason, in 2003 it created the Victoria Falls Fund in order to facilitate the travel of ICOMOS members from countries facing financial difficulties. Furthermore, ICOMOS regularly benefits from the support from a major international foundation to provide grants to members who are geographically isolated or who work in difficult conditions to attend General Assembly meetings and meet, either to deepen their knowledge or to get to know colleagues they would not usually have the opportunity to engage with.

In addition, in the event of natural and human-made disasters, ICOMOS mobilises experts and specialists to elaborate emergency measures for the safeguarding, conservation and restoration of the heritage of affected countries. ICOMOS is a founding member of the Blue Shield.

#### **Transmission of knowledge and youth involvement**

ICOMOS aims to raise awareness of heritage. It participates in training programmes, and encourages and involves young scholars and professionals in heritage issues and actions related to ICOMOS' aims. The "Raymond Lemaire International Fund" awards study grants to promising young people to allow them to complete their academic training or to develop their professional experience.

#### **Free access to information**

ICOMOS supports free, open and unrestricted access to scientific publications through its 'ICOMOS Open Archive: e-prints on cultural heritage'. It is strongly committed to publishing, in all available media formats including electronically, all the doctrinal content which could be useful to local authorities, regional developers, entrepreneurs, and all defenders of heritage throughout the world.

### Its activities

ICOMOS' **programmes** focus on:

- Promoting best practice through its charters and doctrinal texts and by providing expert advice;
- Disseminating knowledge through its publications, Documentation Centre, Open Access Archive and events;
- Involvement in international conventions including UNESCO conventions on World Heritage, Underwater Cultural Heritage, Intangible Heritage and the 1954 Hague Convention;
- Alerting on threats to heritage and advocating its protection wherever possible;
- Fostering education and training;
- Researching emerging issues such as rights based approaches to heritage management and sustainability;
- Enriching the professional development of its members.

### Its structure

**The General Assembly** is the sovereign body of ICOMOS which meets every three years to elect the Executive Committee and renew strategic directions.

**The Executive Committee** functions as the Board of ICOMOS. It establishes policies, approves the programme and budget and oversees their implementation. It approves new National and International Scientific Committees.

**The National Committees** represent ICOMOS' interests at the national level, and their member's views within the international network. They engage their members in national and regional initiatives.

**The International Scientific Committees** are at the forefront of scientific inquiry and exchange. They foster a multidisciplinary approach to heritage protection and management; undertake research; develop and advocate conservation theory, guidelines and charters, and promote training for better heritage conservation.

**The Advisory Committee** is comprised of the Chairs of the National and International Scientific Committees. They meet annually to provide recommendations regarding programme priorities.

**The Scientific Council** is the coordinating body of the International Scientific Committees. It advises on best practice and best use of ISC resources, and also develops and oversees the implementation of a 3-year Scientific Action Plan.

**The International Secretariat** in Paris manages and implements ICOMOS' policy and programmes. The Secretariat is comprised of an Administrative and Financial Unit, the World Heritage Unit, and the **UNESCO-ICOMOS Documentation Centre**.

### Its partners

In addition to an associate status with UNESCO, ICOMOS also has long standing cooperation with many partner and affinity organisations. It provides support and advice to national and local heritage authorities, governments, international and regional organisations, private heritage organisations and all other groups involved in heritage conservation.

ICOMOS is one of the founding members of the Blue Shield network, working to protect the world's cultural heritage threatened by armed conflict, natural and man-made disasters.

## Message of the President



ICOMOS membership has almost reached 10 000 this year, representing 113 countries from all over the world. The Committees, both National and International, form a growing structure of 140 groups that discuss and work on the constantly rising number of issues which impact on heritage and its conservation. For example in 2009, the world-wide discussion on historic urban landscapes continued. The impressive amount of activities produced by our Committees around a large variety of themes is worth exploring.

2009 was a busy year for ICOMOS members: Committees engaged in strategic planning to explore how they can best serve the aspirations of our members; our obligations in the context of the UNESCO Conventions were discussed; we continued implementing improvements in how we carry out our World Heritage work and reached out to a large audience through four new publications. The emerging and most pressing needs of heritage conservation were presented worldwide and regionally. A renewed set of principles were adopted to guide the functioning of our National Committees. A formal “Heritage Alerts” procedure for endangered sites as well as new tools for an enlarged web based communication were introduced.

These are exciting times for ICOMOS, for its elected officers who have straightened out our financial reporting, and brought new light, order and hope to the Secretariat and our staff. The World Heritage Working Group has continued to refine our processes, even if some grumblings persisted. These initial indications show that success is possible if we work together, but also serve as a reminder that we still have a way to go.

**Mr Gustavo Araoz**  
ICOMOS President, 2008-2011



The President of ICOMOS Malta, Dr Ray Bondin, introduces the ICOMOS President, Mr Gustavo Araoz, to H.E. Dr George Abela, President of Malta



## Part 1 – The Year in detail

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ICOMOS World Heritage work

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Emergency Response & Assistance

Increasing Awareness

Promotion of International conventions and recommendations

Investing in education and training

ICOMOS' organisational capacity

Other tools

Prizes and Awards

Obituaries

### Strengthening the ICOMOS Network

ICOMOS continually strives to expand its network of National and International Scientific Committees on all continents, and in the growing number of specialized subjects that make up the heritage discipline. It seeks to establish mutually beneficial partnerships with major actors in the field that share ICOMOS' objectives.

#### National Committees

At end 2009, ICOMOS had 113 National Committees including:

21 in Africa, 4 in Arab countries, 21 in the Americas, 24 in Asia and the Pacific and 43 in Europe.

In 2009, its membership grew by 700 members, reaching almost 10 000 members by the end of the year.

The ICOMOS Statutes require a minimum of 5 members to create a National Committee.

In 2009, the Executive Committee examined the applications for new National Committees in Montenegro and United Arab Emirates. Progress was also made in establishing the National Committees for the Seychelles.

The Executive Committee noted the restructuring of ICOMOS Egypt and also discussed the functioning or progress made in the restructuring of ICOMOS Committees in Jordan, Nepal, Senegal, and the access of cultural heritage professionals to the Committees in Italy, India and Serbia.

The Strategic Planning Process Working Group 2 (SPP WG2) on National Committees, set up in 2008 and chaired by Mr Andrew Hall, was asked to undertake an overall review of the functioning of ICOMOS National Committees. Based on detailed analytical information provided by the Secretariat, the Working Group prepared relevant recommendations for the Executive Committee, and worked on the development of standard procedures for examining membership applications and the creation of National Committees.

The Secretariat further received expressions of interest for creating Committees from Libya, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone and Uganda. The International Secretariat has also continued to contact and provide support to representatives from Committees in the process of being set up.

The Advisory Committee adopted the new Dubrovnik-Valletta Principles in view of tracking the performance of National Committees and assisting them in becoming more effective – see Volume 2 of this report for the full text.

ICOMOS France must be congratulated for being the first ICOMOS National Committees to have reached over 1000 members.

#### International Scientific Committees

ICOMOS continued to have 28 International Scientific Committees (ISC), and no new ones were created this year.

The Scientific Council pursued the implementation of the Eger-Xi'an Principles adopted in 2005, with all the International Scientific Committees being asked to revise their statutes so as to be in compliance.

The following International Scientific Committees were asked to undertake a process of restructuring so as to ensure their renewed future activity: ISC Wall Paintings, ISC Risk Preparedness (ICORP) and ISC Cultural Objects.

The Strategic Planning Process Working Group 3 (SPP WG3) on ISCs and the Scientific Council, set up in 2008 and chaired by Kristal Buckley, reported extensively at the meetings in Malta on progress achieved during the year. The Working Group aims to provide a complementary track of discussion and strategic planning to the important existing work of the Scientific Council. Its mandate is to develop mechanisms for full implementation of all parts of the Eger-Xi'an Principles regarding both the Council and the ISCs. Whilst much progress had been made in many areas, such as ensuring effective advice to and liaison with the Executive Committee, monitoring of ISC performance and reporting, etc., more work is needed on the longer-term and strategic questions posed by the President and aspirations outlined in the Eger-Xi'an Principles, such as developing a 3-year Scientific Plan including areas for multi-disciplinary research and identifying gaps within the ISCs fields of specialisation; improving dissemination of knowledge; ensuring generational renewal and mentoring within conservation specialisations; developing ISC training initiatives for younger professionals and in particular within the ICOMOS World Heritage mandate; enhancing relationships with affinity organisations; ensuring the ISCs ability to respond to technical assistance requests from the ICOMOS statutory bodies and Committees.

### Partnerships

ICOMOS aims at further developing its network of partners and strengthening the implementation of established partnerships, so as to extend its influence and engage its constituents. In view of examining its existing and potential partnerships, the Executive Committee adopted a new ICOMOS Policy on Partnerships and Agreements, reproduced in full in Volume 2 of this report.

No new external partnership agreements were signed in 2009. However, the Executive Committee took note of the potential for the establishment of a new or renewed partnership with the Organisation of World Heritage Cities (OWHC), and partnership proposals from the International National Trusts Organisation (INTO) and the Global Heritage Fund to be examined in the coming year.

It also began a new cooperation with the International Coalition of Sites of Conscience, established in New York and which includes former Secretary General of ICOMOS, Mr Jean-Louis Luxen, in its Board of Trustees. Following exchanges between staff members and elected officers of both organisations, ICOMOS participated the Coalition's conference on "Memory and Dialogue Programs on Prejudice, Exclusion, and Violence" held in May 2009 in Berlin.

**The ICOMOS International Conservation Centre (IICC-X) in Xi'an, China was established in 2006** as an international research and cooperation centre, through a partnership between ICOMOS and its National Committee in China, the State Administration of Cultural Heritage of the People's Republic of China, and the People's Government of Xi'an City. Its purpose is to support international and regional cooperation for the conservation of monuments, sites and their settings in Asia and the Pacific. In July 2009, following the visit of an ICOMOS delegation led by the ICOMOS President to Xi'an, the Centre changed governance structure. This change included a total transfer on oversight responsibilities to ICOMOS China and the permanent addition of "an initiative of ICOMOS China" to the Centre's official name.

As of 2009, the Executive Committee formally decided to appoint Mr Gustavo Araoz, President of ICOMOS (ex-officio), Ms Sheridan Burke (former ICOMOS Vice President for Asia Pacific) and Ms Hae Un Rii (member of the ICOMOS Executive Committee) as the formal ICOMOS advisers on the Steering Committee of the International Conservation Centre. Both Ms Hae Un Rii and Ms Burke attended the meetings in July.

The ICOMOS delegation also visited Chengdu and the Sichuan province, which had recently been struck by a major earthquake.

Among other activities, the IICC Xi'an cooperated with the International Exhibition on heritage conservation, restoration and museum technology organised from 13-15 October in Xi'an by the Leipziger Messe.

### Outreach to new members

Membership growth and membership renewal are strategic goals of ICOMOS.

The Strategic Planning Process Working Group 5 (SPP WG5) on Membership issues, set up in 2008 and chaired by Mr Guo Zhan, was particularly charged with exploring how to ensure that past Executive Committee members remained actively involved in ICOMOS and how to implement the General Assembly resolution 2008/14 on institutionalizing the participation of young professionals in ICOMOS, among other also through a rapprochement with Universities teaching in the heritage field.

Fifty distinguished members, who in the past served on the Executive Committee, were invited to become the founding members of the ICOMOS Academy, a new non-statutory body intended to re-engage this group of former leaders in the transformation of ICOMOS into a more effective organization.

Following consultation with the organisers of the First International Forum of Young Researchers and Professionals in Cultural Heritage held in Quebec, Canada from 27 to 28 September 2008, an on-line ICOMOS Youth Forum was set up and all the participants at the event were invited to join ICOMOS and participate in the on-line forum. Furthermore, the categories of Young Professional and Student membership were formally included in the new Dubrovnik-Valletta Principles for National Committees, which give Committees the specific goal of ensuring generational renewal within ICOMOS.

### Communications Initiatives

ICOMOS' statutory meetings and the events organised by its Committee's (see list in Annex 5) provide the opportunity for exchange between the different membership categories of ICOMOS.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 2008/15, the International Secretariat set up an on-line ICOMOS meetings calendar, as well as dates of major religious holidays so as to avoid as far as possible, clashes between meetings and to ensure that statutory meetings are held at times where all are able to participate. The on-line calendar is accessible via the ICOMOS web site at [www.international.icomos.org/calendar/index.htm](http://www.international.icomos.org/calendar/index.htm)

To improve communications between the membership, and in response to General Assembly resolution 2008/18 on integrating Spanish in General Assemblies and Committee Meetings, the Executive Committee also set up a task force on languages to study the use of ICOMOS' working and official languages, and to assess the financial, practical and statutory implications of extending the number of working languages.



## Statutory Meetings

### The Executive Committee

The ICOMOS Executive Committee comprises the President, Secretary General, and Treasurer General, 5 Vice-Presidents, 12 elected members, and 5 co-opted members. Invited to participate are the Honorary Presidents, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee, and a representative of the Scientific Council as well as special guests from time to time. It is supported in its work by the Director and the staff of the International Secretariat. The Executive Committee met twice during 2009: 6-7 February in Paris, France and 5-10 October in Valletta, Malta. For urgent issues it also used the internet for decision making, as provided by its Rules of Procedure.

### Executive Committee meeting, 6-7 February, Paris, France,

During this meeting, the Executive Committee received and accepted Mr Olivier Poisson's (France) decision to resign as Vice President of ICOMOS. ICOMOS President, The Executive Committee expressed its unanimous appreciation for Mr Poisson's short but dedicated service to ICOMOS.

In accordance with Article 10 of the ICOMOS Statutes, the Executive Committee filled the gap created by Mr Poisson's departure from the Bureau by co-opting Mr Wilfried Lipp of Austria as Vice President. Mr Lipp, who also serves as President of ICOMOS Austria, graciously accepted the added responsibilities, which include coordination of the European National Committees.

In turn, the position vacated in the Executive Committee by Mr Lipp's elevation to the Bureau was filled through the unanimously endorsed co-option of Mr Benjamin Mouton, former President of ICOMOS France. The appointment was accepted by Mr Mouton, whose dedication and service to ICOMOS is well known internationally. The Executive Committee expressed its appreciation to Mr Mouton for his willingness to serve for the remainder of the triennium.

The Executive Committee also decided to co-opt 2 members from Asia/Pacific, 1 member from North Africa and Middle East, and 1 member from sub-Saharan Africa in order to ensure regional and geographical balance. The following persons were co-opted as members of the ICOMOS Executive Committee for the mandate 2008 – 2011:

- Ms Natalia Turekulova (Kazakhstan)
- Ms Adi Meretui Ratuabuabua (Fiji)
- Ms Mina EIMghari (Morocco)
- Mr Webber Ndoro (Zimbabwe)
- Mr Rasool Vatandoust (Iran)

Concerning the implementation of the Advisory Committee recommendations, the Executive Committee decided that their follow-up would be a permanent item on its agenda. It further decided to review the procedures for submitting and adopting General Assembly resolutions with a view to maximise their impact and to improve the process for their adoption. It adopted a policy for ICOMOS representation at events and one for partnerships. It discussed the work of the seven working groups set up under the Strategic Planning Process in 2008 and approved the audited 2008 accounts and balance sheet. It unanimously adopted the proposed ICOMOS 2009 budget and programme of activities and decided to accept Malta's invitation to host the next Advisory Committee meeting in October 2009.

Other topics discussed and decided by the Executive Committee included:

- ICOMOS Annual Reports 2007, 2008 and 2009
- Financial management matters
- Future new headquarters at Charenton in Paris
- International Conservation Centre in Xi'an (an ICOMOS China initiative) : assignments and charter
- Euromed Heritage IV programme
- Historic Urban Landscapes
- Theme for 18 April 2009: "Heritage and Science"
- Information reports on: the Documentation Centre; the World Heritage Working Group; UNESCO's Conventions on Intangible Cultural Heritage and Underwater Cultural Heritage; the 1954 Hague Convention and its two Protocols; the Blue Shield
- Extending partnership with TICCIH, the GSTC Partnership on Tourism and requests for establishing formal partnerships by the Université de Montréal, the city of Moscow, and the World Monuments Fund
- Representation and participation in the new NGO "Convergence" group, ICCROM's General Assembly, the Council of Europe's "European Forum", and the International National Trusts Organisation's 13<sup>th</sup> International Conference.

### **Executive Committee meeting, 5, 6 and 10 October, Valletta, Malta**

The members of the Executive Committee were received by the President of Malta, H.E. Dr George Abela on 5 October 2009, and H. E. Dr Dolores Cristina, Minister of Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, opened the Scientific Symposium under the theme of “Changing World, Changing Views of Heritage: the Impact of Global Change on Cultural Heritage – Technological Change” on 7 October 2009.

It was with great regret that the Executive Committee decided to release ICOMOS Iran from its commitment to organise and host the General Assembly in 2011. It was hoped, however, that ICOMOS Iran could offer another invitation sometime in the future, possibly in 2014.

With regards to criteria and terminology for doctrinal texts to guide the development of future texts, the Executive Committee submitted proposals for criteria and terminology to the Advisory Committee. The working document was circulated again through the National and International Committees listservs for comments.

The Executive Committee invited the Advisory Committee to look at the initial draft of the joint ICOMOS-TICCIH text on the protection and conservation of industrial heritage and to take the process further. It was agreed that a core editorial group composed by the National Committees of Australia, Canada, Cuba, Mexico and Spain, and the International Scientific Committee on Theory would examine this draft and make proposals to the Advisory Committee.

On the topic of services offered to ICOMOS members and collection of membership dues, and in response to Advisory Committee recommendations, the Executive Committee submitted two more proposals to the Advisory Committee for comment and advice: a paper on the services currently offered to ICOMOS members, be they individual or institutional, with a request on how to further develop such services; and a report on the collection of the membership fees. National and International Scientific Committees were invited to send their suggestions on both papers to the Secretariat.

Following the successful experience and positive contributions of its World Heritage Working Group, the Executive Committee decided to create similar working groups for each of the UNESCO Cultural Conventions, thus bringing parity and overall coherence to ICOMOS’ role as Advisor to UNESCO:

- Hague Convention on the Protection of Cultural Property in the event of Armed Conflict (1954) and its two Protocols (1954, 1999) - HCWG
- Convention for the Prevention of Illicit Traffic of Cultural Property (1970) – ITWG
- Underwater Cultural Heritage Convention (2001) - UCHWG
- Intangible Cultural Heritage Convention (2003) – IHCWG
- Convention for the Protection of Cultural Diversity (2005) - CDIVWG

ICOMOS members with significant experience on any of these Conventions and willing to give time to serve in these working groups were asked to express their interest with the Secretariat and their Committee.

The Executive Committee examined new Draft Model Statutes for National Committees in their English and French versions and adopted them. It ratified the creation of a National Committee in the United Arab Emirates, and agreed, in principle, to the creation of a National Committee in Montenegro. Following the recommendations made by the Scientific Council and the Advisory Committee, the Executive Committee agreed that the restructuring of the International Scientific Committee on Risk Preparedness (ICORP) would be done under the leadership of the Scientific Council officers, and noted that a process had been adopted concerning the Cultural Objects Committee.

The President informed that he had invited 50 distinguished members, who in the past served on the Executive Committee, to become the founding members of the ICOMOS Academy, a new non-statutory body intended to re-engage this group of former leaders in the transformation of ICOMOS into a more effective organization. The members of the Academy were asked to consider for themselves the role they would wish to play in guiding the future of ICOMOS. A full list of those who enthusiastically accepted the invitation to join the ICOMOS Academy is given on page 147.

The Executive Committee examined the progress made by the International Committee of the Blue Shield and the process for making statements on behalf of its five constituent NGOs.

The progress report submitted by the World Heritage Working Group was approved. The Executive Committee readjusted the mandate of the World Heritage Working Group and decided upon its composition. It also designated the members of the 2009 ICOMOS World Heritage Panel that will evaluate the nominations for inscription in 2010.

A preliminary discussion was held on the ICOMOS Statutes, based on the 2004 report established under the Chairmanship of Mr Werner von Trützschler. It was agreed to separate the technical analysis of requirements under French law from other changes that might be desirable, but to examine both aspects.

The Executive Committee agreed that the vacant position left by our late colleague, Ms Hristina Staneva, would be offered to a distinguished member of ICOMOS Bulgaria. ICOMOS Bulgaria then designated its President, Mr Stefan Belishki, to take up this position.

Following the resignation of Mr Jadran Antolovic from the position of Treasurer General, the Executive Committee had in June decided to elevate Mr Philippe la Hausse de Lalouvière to the position of Treasurer General for the rest of the triennium. The position in the Executive Committee left vacant by Mr la Hausse de Lalouvière was filled by co-opting Ms Anila Naeem from ICOMOS Pakistan.



The Bureau of the Executive Committee includes the President, Secretary General, Treasurer General, and the five Vice-Presidents.

As part of ICOMOS' mission to disseminate information and knowledge, the Executive Committee decided upon two new initiatives: first, the creation of an overarching Documentation and Publications Working Group, and secondly, the launching of an ICOMOS Scientific E-Journal. The Documentation and Publications Working Group has the mandate to develop a consistent approach for the ICOMOS Publications, to develop new initiatives for the Documentation Centre (including the follow-up of the ICOMOS Open Access initiative), to make the Publications and the ICOMOS Documentation Centre better known and to create synergies between both. The ICOMOS Scientific E-Journal is conceived as a service to ICOMOS members. It will be a professional, blind peer-reviewed electronic periodical that will deal with timely issues concerning heritage conservation.

Journal authors will be limited to ICOMOS members, with the proviso that under special circumstances, the editorial board may invite contributions from outside of ICOMOS. If all goes according to plan, the first issue of the Journal should appear in 2010.

### **The Bureau of the Executive Committee**

The Bureau met twice during 2009, on 5 February in Paris, France, and 19 June in Madrid, Spain. These meetings helped to prepare and co-ordinate the Executive Committee meetings and to take care of matters between two sessions of the Executive.

### **Bureau of the Executive Committee meeting, 5 February, Paris, France**

The meeting reviewed and balanced the organisation's budget for the current year, including staff salaries. It approved the principle of presenting a global report with a strategic analysis on membership structure and fees to the Advisory Committee. It followed-up on World Heritage Policy issues and the organisation of the work of the Executive Committee following Mr Olivier Poisson's resignation as a member of the Executive Committee and the need to co-opt new members to the Committee. It discussed the issue of convening the next ICOMOS General Assembly in Isfahan in the light of recent changes in Iran and in ICOMOS Iran.

### **Bureau of the Executive Committee meeting, 19 June, Madrid, Spain**

ICOMOS Spain generously hosted this meeting at the Escuela Superior de Minas (School of Mines) in Madrid and on Saturday the participants were also welcomed for an excursion of Toledo by the city's Real Academia de Bellas Artes y Ciencias Históricas. Executive Committee members were invited to participate in this Bureau meeting. Many took advantage of this invitation.

The Bureau reviewed indicators to analyse the organisation's budget. It agreed to recommend to the Executive Committee the establishment of a small Working Group to further develop the uses and 'concept' of the International Heritage House, ICOMOS' future new headquarters in Paris. With regards to the use and protection of the ICOMOS name and logo in general, the Bureau requested the President to issue a letter encouraging advocacy by ICOMOS members whilst exercising the necessary caution; it recalled that the Ethical Commitment Statement for ICOMOS Members allows members to use the title 'M.ICOMOS' in their professional work, but noted that there are issues arising from the use of this title, such as members occasionally not making the difference between a personal opinion and the opinion of the organisation, or, in some countries, restricted access to National Committees because of facilitated access to contracts thanks to ICOMOS membership. It agreed with the proposal by the Secretary General that there was a need to develop a policy on the use of the ICOMOS name and logo, in addition to guidelines for the organisation's visual identity and invited the Secretary General, the Director and a representative of the International Scientific Committee on Legal issues (ICLAFI) to develop a discussion paper for the Advisory Committee.

The Bureau further discussed issues related to the Heritage Maintenance and Monitoring programme of the Raymond Lemaire Centre in Belgium and the possible creation of an International Scientific Committee on maintenance and monitoring, and the draft Charter governing the International Conservation Centre in Xi'an. It prepared recommendations to the Executive Committee concerning the work related to the World Heritage Convention, including the process of reviewing nominations, the appointment of additional advisors and contracts. The Bureau received and discussed an update concerning the organisation of the 17<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in 2011 and noted that revised Terms of Reference for organising Advisory Committee meetings had been prepared and were ready for discussion by the Executive Committee. It further examined issues concerning the situation of National Committees and International Committees and decided to recommend to the Executive Committee to establish new Working Groups on the following: the activities of the Documentation Centre; one working group for each of the various UNESCO Cultural Conventions and processes in which ICOMOS is involved and needs to provide professional advice - Underwater Cultural Heritage (with the ISC Underwater Cultural Heritage - ICUCH) - Intangible Cultural Heritage (with the ISC Intangible Cultural Heritage - ICICH) – the Hague Convention (including Axel Mykleby, now Treasurer General of the ANCBS) and – Historic Urban Landscapes.

### **The Advisory Committee**

The Advisory Committee is composed of the Chairmen of the National and Specialised International Committees. The President of ICOMOS is an ex-officio member. The Advisory Committee is governed by its own rules of procedure, and meets once a year to follow-up on the implementation of ICOMOS' programme. Its function is to advise the Executive Committee by bringing forth suggestions and recommendations on programme priorities and orientations. It examines proposals made by National Committees and passes them, with its recommendations, to the Executive Committee for implementation.

As part of the Advisory Committee, and following the 15th General Assembly that adopted the document known as the Eger-Xi'an Principles which sets out its mandate, the Scientific Council was set up in 2005. It is conceived as the coordinating body for the International Scientific Committees (ISCs).

### **Advisory Committee meeting, 9 October, Valletta, Malta**

In 2009, the Advisory Committee met in Valletta at the kind invitation of ICOMOS Malta. John Hurd, Advisory Committee President, chaired the meeting. Representatives from 42 National Committees and 23 from International Scientific Committees participated as well as observers and representatives from other international organisations. Several Committees came with delegations of more than representative, a welcome change allowing members beyond only the Committee Presidents to get directly involved in the work of the organisation.

The National Committee delegations in attendance were: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Brazil, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia FYR, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Norway, Poland, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, UK, Uruguay, and USA.

The International Scientific Committee delegations in attendance were: Analysis and Restoration of Structures of Architectural Heritage (ISCARSAH); Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM); Conservation/Restoration of Heritage Objects in Monuments and Sites; Cultural Landscapes (ICOMOS/IFLA) (ISCC); Cultural Routes (CIIC); Cultural Tourism (ICTC); Earthen Architectural Heritage (ISCEAH); Economics of Conservation (ISCEC); Education and Training (CIF); Fortifications and Military Heritage (ICOFORT); Heritage Documentation (CIPA); Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH); Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICICH); Interpretation and Presentation (ICIP); Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues (ICLAFI); Polar Heritage (IPHC); Risk Preparedness (ICORP); Shared Built Heritage (ICSBH); Stained Glass (ICOMOS / Corpus Vitrearum); Theory & Philosophy of Conservation; Twentieth Century Heritage (ISC20C); Vernacular Architecture (CIAV); Wood (IWC).

Members of the ICOMOS Executive Committee and invited guests and observers also participated.

The Chairman read out the list of ICOMOS members who had passed away during the course of the past year and a minute of silence was observed in their memory. Ms Tatiana Kirilova Kirova delivered a special tribute to the memory of former Executive Committee member, Ms Hristina Staneva.

Mr Gustavo Araoz, President of ICOMOS, presented his address. He made special mention of thanks to the late member of the Executive Committee, Ms Hristina Staneva, as well as to Mr Ray Bondin, President of ICOMOS Malta, for the organisation of the meeting and the past President of ICOMOS, Mr Michael Petzet. Addresses were given by representatives from ICOM (Mr Knut Wik), IFLA landscapes (Mr Pierre Micallef), IFLA libraries (Ms Nancy Gwinn), UIA (Ms Louise Cox), TICCIH (Mr Miles Oglethorpe), The Holy See (Most Rev. Ab. Dom Michael John Zielinski), OVPM/OWHC (Mr Denis Ricard), ICCROM (Mr Joseph King), DOCOMOMO (Mr Jevon Vella).

Ms Bénédicte Selfslagh, the Secretary General, reported on the implementation of the resolutions approved at the 2008 Quebec General Assembly, improvements in the contract arrangements for the World Heritage programme services, and communication with members. Mr Pierre-Antoine Gatier, the President of ICOMOS France, presented the future new headquarters of ICOMOS to be situated in Charenton, Paris. The new headquarters will be shared with the Médiathèque du Patrimoine (France's Institute for Heritage Documentation), ICOM, ICOMOS France and ICOM France, and will include an archive, library, exhibition space, offices, boardroom and auditorium.

Mr Philippe La Hausse de Lalouvière, the Treasurer General, presented his report. The ICOMOS financial position is sound, but fragile. At the end of August 2009, the financial situation was entirely satisfactory, with revenues covering expenditures. The main concerns in managing the finances of ICOMOS are assuring revenues for its activities and controlling expenditures.

Mr Gideon Koren (ICOMOS Israel) presented the background to the work of the five Advisory Committee Task Teams, set up at the 2006 meeting in Edinburgh and which had now come to a conclusion, as they influenced the further development of the Dubrovnik-Valletta Principles in guiding the work of the ICOMOS National Committees. The Task Teams were: 1) Members and Statutes; 2) Regional Cooperation; 3) National Committees/ ISC cooperation; 4) World Heritage involvement; 5) Openness and transparency.

The Advisory Committee meeting was complemented by a meeting of the National Committees held on 8 October. The National Committees however rejected a proposal to create, within the Advisory Committee, a Council of National Committees that would mirror the structure and the role of the Scientific Council. Based on the work and recommendations of the five Task Teams, the Advisory Committee recommended revisions to the Dubrovnik Principles, renaming the resulting document the Dubrovnik-Valletta Principles. The Advisory Committee further recommended that the new Principles be adopted by the Executive Committee.

Ms Pamela Jerome, Scientific Council Coordinator, presented the findings of the Scientific Symposium on Technological Change held on 7 October.

The Advisory Committee voted to hold its 2010 meeting in Dublin, Ireland at the invitation of ICOMOS Ireland. ICOMOS Macedonia was thanked for its generous offer to also host the meeting.

Other issues discussed included:

- Resolutions presented by the National and International Scientific Committees
- Themes for the 18<sup>th</sup> April – International Day for Monuments and Sites: 2010 (The Heritage of Agriculture) and 2011 (the Cultural Heritage of Water)
- Guidelines for preparing future proposed Doctrinal Texts
- Draft Joint ICOMOS-TICCIH guidelines
- An up-date on the Heritage Alerts Programme

For more information see the ICOMOS e-News n° 51, 19 November 2009 available on the ICOMOS website. The Scientific Council meeting, 8 October, and Scientific Symposium, 7 October, Valletta, Malta

The Scientific Council organised a well-attended and interesting symposium on “Changing World, Changing Views of Heritage: the Impact of Global Change on Cultural Heritage – Technological Change”, on 7 October in Valletta. The full programme and 15 submitted papers are available at <http://www.international.icomos.org/adcom/malta2009/symposium.htm>

A synthesis of the recommendations presented by the five symposium-breakout groups is also available at the same web address. A number of common themes were noted: caution when digital methods of recording are used as these technologies are developing, and caution when using new and traditional materials together.

The theme for the 2010 Scientific Symposium is “Social Change”. It was proposed that the theme for 2012 be related to urbanisation and that the Scientific Council continue its work on climate change.

The Scientific Council adopted the Malta Guidelines, a compliance mechanism for the International Scientific Committees. It was happy to report that an agreement had been reached to finalise the structuring of the ISC on Risk Preparedness (ICORP), that a process had been initiated for the ISC on Cultural Objects. Progress had been made by the Committee on Wall Paintings, undergoing restructuring, which expected to become fully operational by 2010.

Ms Nancy Gwinn, Director of the Smithsonian Institution Libraries, presented the LAMMS initiative (a reinforced cooperation between Libraries, Archives, Museums, Monuments and Sites), its objectives, scope and potential to the Scientific Council. New areas of cooperation include intellectual property rights, UNESCO matters, global libraries and training in prevention and emergency planning. Initial contacts for the LAMMS group were established by the former Secretary-General, Mr Dinu Bumbaru. ICOMOS is currently represented by the Secretary-General, Ms Bénédicte Selfslagh.

A proposal for a new ISC on Monitoring and Maintenance is being explored. If created, this would be the 29th Scientific Committee of ICOMOS.

Further recommendations or resolutions included:

- Resolution regarding expert membership in the ISCs;
- Resolution regarding the use of the Spanish language;
- Resolution regarding Corporate Visual Responsibility and ICOMOS Policy Leverage ;
- Resolution regarding the Asplund Library in Stockholm (Sweden);
- Resolution regarding the Heritage Alerts Programme;
- Resolution on ISC Risk Preparedness (ICORP);
- Resolution on the death of a Greek police officer combating illicit traffic;
- Resolution on the archaeological site of Acrotiri de Thera at Santorin;
- Resolution on the region of the villages of Antissa, North-West from Lesvos.

Recommendations from the Advisory Committee, including those by the Scientific Council, to set up new ICOMOS programmes and mechanisms, were transmitted to the Executive Committee who will act on them accordingly.

Elections were held during both the Advisory Committee and Scientific Council meetings – all took place by acclamation. Mr John Hurd (ISC Earthen Architectural Heritage) was re-elected as Advisory Committee Chairman; Mr Marc de Caraffe (Canada) and Mr Dosso Sindou (Côte d'Ivoire) were elected as Vice Chairpersons. Ms Pamela Jerome (ISC Earthen Architectural Heritage), Ms Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias (ISC Historic Towns), and Mr Steve Kelley (ISC Structures) were elected as the officers of the Scientific Council.

## Cultural Heritage programmes

### Research Themes

Besides continuing to explore the triennial theme of the impact of **Global Change** on cultural heritage chosen by the Scientific Council for the 2008 – 2010 triennium through the Scientific Symposium held in Valletta on the issue of **“Technological Change”**, ICOMOS launched or continued particular reflections on a number of other topics.

The Scientific Council actively worked together with the Strategic Planning Process Working Group 3 on developing a triennial programme for the 2012-2014 period – with the heritage of the urbs and polis foreseen as an interdisciplinary topic.

Many ICOMOS Committees also pursued their own specific research interests – as shown by their individual reports. ICOMOS France notably continued to explore the theme of **energy savings and sustainable development**, launched at the Quebec General Assembly, by publishing the proceedings of its European Seminar held on the issue the previous year.

### Historic Urban Landscapes

Since 2006, ICOMOS has contributed to the UNESCO reflection on Historic Urban Landscapes (HUL). This has involved the examination of tools for impact assessments, and contributions to the development of a UNESCO Recommendation on this subject. ICOMOS was represented at a number of expert meetings for HUL, and provided a position paper. It also provided substantial contributions to the discussion through an internet forum and a workshop during its 16th General Assembly (2008). This work continued in 2009 through the ICOMOS participation in the expert meeting on HUL hosted by Brazil and held in Rio de Janeiro in December.

### New Heritage Paradigm - Defining the Tolerance for Change

The President launched a challenge to all members of ICOMOS to participate in a moderated year-long Internet discussion on the effect of recent changes in the way that heritage is identified, perceived and used by governments, communities and stakeholder groups. To this end, a discussion paper was circulated to all members of the Advisory Committee prior to the meeting in Malta, and then to all members of ICOMOS. To launch the discussion a number of background papers have been commissioned. All the material will be made available through an on-line ICOMOS discussion forum, where members can exchange and comment on the issue.

### ICOMOS Doctrinal Texts

#### **Criteria and terminology for doctrinal texts to guide the development of future texts**

There are many types of ICOMOS texts: Charters, Principles and other Documents. These are created and adopted by a variety of ICOMOS bodies, from the General Assembly to ICOMOS Committees, conferences, meetings or groups of heritage professionals. They bear different names: the terms “Charters” and “Principles” are the more commonly used but we have also “Declarations”, “Guidelines” and “Documents”. Their contents are not always consistent: there are sometimes redundancy and contradictions between texts.

Following the resolution of the General Assembly (resolution GA 2008/24), the Executive Committee has been working on proposals for defining clear criteria on the choice of terminology, the mode of adoption and the contents of such texts. A paper prepared by Mr Etienne Clement, based on contributions from Mr Boguslaw Szmygin, Mr Gideon Koren and ICLAFI, and edited by Ms Bénédicte Selfslagh, presented an analysis of the existing corpus of ICOMOS Charters, Principles and Documents and included 9 proposals, including:

- ICOMOS should use the terminology of “ICOMOS Charters, Principles and Documents” instead and restrict itself to only these three terms.
- all future international Charters and Principles should be adopted by formal General Assembly resolution.
- clear criteria should be developed to determine what constitutes a Charter, Principles or Document
- texts should be developed following a careful analysis of needs and, in the case of Charters and Principles, along a common structure.

National and International Scientific Committees were asked to provide their comments on the proposals in order to finalize the matter in 2010.

#### **New ICOMOS texts under preparation**

##### **Draft joint ICOMOS-TICCIH text on the protection and conservation of industrial heritage**

TICCIH (the International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage) is a partner organisation of ICOMOS and in 2003 adopted its own Nizhny Tagil Charter. Following an initiative by Mr Dinu Bumbaru, former Secretary General, and the request of the General Assembly (resolution GA 2005/30), the Executive Committee invited the Advisory Committee in Malta to look at an initial draft of this text and to take the process further. It was agreed that a core editorial group composed by the National Committees of Australia, Canada, Cuba, Mexico and Spain, and the International Scientific Committee on Theory would examine the initial draft and make proposals to the Advisory Committee. The review process to be followed will be the one established for all ICOMOS Charters, Principles and documents. The initial draft was circulated again for comment, through the National and International Committees listservs.



## Information and Communication

Following on from the creation of the Strategic Planning Process Working Group 6 (SPP WG6) on Communication set up in 2008 and chaired by Mr Francisco Lopez Morales, the Executive Committee decided on the creation of an overarching Documentation and Publications Working Group, with the mandate to develop a consistent approach for the ICOMOS Publications, to develop new initiatives for the Documentation Centre (including the follow-up of the ICOMOS Open Access initiative), to make the Publications and the ICOMOS Documentation Centre better known. Chaired by Ms Kirsti Kovanen, Executive Committee member (Finland), the group includes the Secretary General and Treasurer General (ex-officio), members of the Executive Committee (Mr Yasuyoshi Okada, Mr Boguslaw Szmygin, Mr Michael Petzet), the Head of the Documentation Centre, and volunteer ICOMOS members with the following profiles: from the academic world, from the world of practitioners, with a “documentation and libraries” background, with an “archives” background, as well as one representative each from among the National Committee and International Scientific Committee Presidents (Mr John Hurd, President of ISCEAH). A public call was issued in November 2009 through the ICOMOS e-news to all members for volunteers.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 2008/21, calling for transparency in the consideration of Scientific Symposia papers, it was decided that from 2010 onwards all papers for international ICOMOS publications and symposia would be blind peer reviewed, starting with the Advisory Committee Symposia.

### The UNESCO – ICOMOS Documentation Centre

Created in 1974, the UNESCO-ICOMOS Documentation Centre is based at the International Secretariat in Paris. With the ICCROM library, it is one of the most important documentation centres specialised in the conservation and restoration of cultural heritage at the international level.

It welcomes both ICOMOS members and the general public in-situ and answers distance information requests - 497 in 2009. The ICOMOS Documentation Centre is the primary repository for the original documentation of the cultural and mixed (natural and cultural) properties that have been inscribed on the **UNESCO World Heritage List** since 1978. It enriches its collections through generous donations and active publication exchanges with many other institutions and organizations, but has no specific acquisition budget. In 2009, it concluded 5 new exchange agreements with organisations in Greece, Spain, Germany and Romania and welcomed 4 interns, whose contribution was invaluable.

In 2009, the Centre added 2149 new bibliographic references to its electronic database, available on-line at <http://databases.unesco.org/icomos>. Hosted by UNESCO, which also supplied technical support, it contained 36281 records at the close of the year under review and was consulted on average 17.6 times per day.

The Documentation Centre prepares various products concerning its collections: a summary review of periodicals; an analytical index of the most recent references in the database ([http://www.international.icomos.org/centre\\_documentation/bd\\_eng.htm](http://www.international.icomos.org/centre_documentation/bd_eng.htm)); and ICOMOS bibliographies ([http://www.international.icomos.org/centre\\_documentation/bib](http://www.international.icomos.org/centre_documentation/bib)). In 2009, the Centre produced a new bibliography on earthen architectural heritage and updated 10 of the existing bibliographies, all of which are available on the web site. It also does documentation and bibliographic research on World Heritage and specific topics of interest to members and Committees. Every year it updates its World Heritage site slide collection, which contains over 34000 items organized for easy consultation.

During the past few years, the Centre has scanned over 1700 publications and has made them available for download in PDF format on its website. These concern ICOMOS publications, bulletins and conference proceedings since its creation in 1965 up to now. In 2009, publications by, among other, the ISC Cultural Landscapes, CIPA, ICOMOS Finland, Japan and Sweden were added to the on-line offer (see Attachment 4)

The Centre is constantly increasing its presence and activities on the Web by offering new interactive tools such as Chat, a Blog and Twitter posts. This gives members the possibility to ask questions, chat with a documentation specialist, and make comments or suggestions. In 2009, 196 messages were posted on the Blog, which received over 18 600 visits. 42 tweets on new ICOMOS publications or activities of the Centre were posted. The Centre also sent out 17 electronic newsletters to its free subscription listserv.

In 2009, the Documentation Centre participated with ICOMOS France at the Salon international du patrimoine which took place from 5 to 9 November in Paris. Free copies of the Heritage at Risk publications and information on the Centre were made available to visitors.

### The ICOMOS Open Archive

On the initiative of the Documentation Centre, and building on General Assembly resolution 2008/17 in support of the Open Access Movement, in 2009 ICOMOS started the implementation of its long-standing project to create an Open Archive accessible via its web site. The ICOMOS Open Archive, a global archive specializing in the conservation and restoration of monuments, sites and landscapes, will serve both as institutional archive of the scientific documentation produced by ICOMOS and also a subject archive accessible to the entire international scientific community in the field.

The ICOMOS Open Archive will contribute to promoting ICOMOS' statutory objective "to gather, study and disseminate information concerning principles, techniques and policies for the conservation, protection, rehabilitation and enhancement of monuments, groups of buildings and sites" but above all to promote the scientific work of its Committees. Authors and institutions will be able to auto-archive their documentation in the repository for users to download – both deposit and download being free of charge.

In 2009, following a detailed survey of needs in the heritage field in terms of research and electronic dissemination of documentation, ICOMOS signed a consultancy agreement with the University of Southampton (UK), creator of the Eprints software employed, and the Documentation Centre worked with Southampton staff on adapting the programme and interface to ICOMOS' requirements and creating a first prototype of the Archive. The official launch of the archive, following further work to finalize the prototype, develop among other the thematic classification and policies for the archive, and begin uploading the 1700 electronic ICOMOS documents already available, is planned to take place at the 2010 Advisory Committee in Dublin.

The survey of needs and further information on Open Access is available under [http://www.international.icomos.org/centre\\_documentation/openarchive/index.html](http://www.international.icomos.org/centre_documentation/openarchive/index.html)

### ICOMOS Publications

2009 marked the publication of two volumes in the *Monuments and Sites* series:

- Monuments and Sites, Vol. XIX : *The giant Buddhas of Bamiyan - Safeguarding the remains*
- Monuments and Sites, Vol. XVIII : *Cultural heritage of astronomical observatories: From classical astronomy to modern astrophysics.*

ICOMOS National and Scientific Committees produced or participated in around 115 publications, newsletters or journals. For a detailed description of the Monuments and Sites volumes and a full list of all Committee publications see Attachment 4).

At the Advisory Committee in Malta, the project of an ICOMOS E-Journal was approved for launching in 2010. It will be a professional, blind peer-reviewed electronic periodical that will deal with timely issues concerning heritage conservation. Journal authors will be limited to ICOMOS members, with the proviso that under special circumstances, the editorial board may invite contributions from outside of ICOMOS. If all goes according to plan, the first issue of the Journal should appear in 2010. An Editorial Board of eminent members from the various world regions will be appointed by the President.

### ICOMOS Newsletters and Reports

In 2009, the International Secretariat produced 14 editions of its electronic newsletter. ICOMOS E-news is disseminated to all its Committees, and members and members of the public who can sign up for free to the distribution list (by sending an e-mail in text format with « subscribe doc-centre » as the only line in the message body to [majordomo@icomos.org](mailto:majordomo@icomos.org)). All issues of the e-news are now also available, after distribution, on the ICOMOS web site at <http://www.international.icomos.org/publications/e-news/index.htm>

Due to staffing issues, no printed newsletter was produced.

Two volumes of the ICOMOS Annual report were issued for the years 2007 and 2008 – both available on-line at <http://www.international.icomos.org/annualreports.htm>.

### ICOMOS On-line Calendar

2009 saw the launch of the ICOMOS on-line Calendar. It is available through the ICOMOS website or at <http://www.international.icomos.org/calendar/index.htm>. Apart from the ICOMOS statutory, National and International Scientific Committee meetings, it includes also an overview of the religious holidays as requested per General Assembly resolution GA 2008/15.

### The ICOMOS Web site and on-line Forums

So as to provide easy access to information to both members and the public, the ICOMOS International Secretariat aims at providing as much on-line documentation and information as possible. Within the website, the pages dedicated to the Documentation Centre, in particular its specialised bibliographies and the downloads section, as well as the events calendar are the most visited.

In 2009, the International Secretariat prepared the following special web pages:

- **International Sites and Monuments Day (18 April) – Heritage and Science:** Call for participation; a history of the day and how to celebrate it; introductory and background articles; a calendar and reports on events organised for 18 April 2009; links to the ICOMOS Documentation Centre's special photography exhibition: "Observing the sky with the world's heritage"; links to the UN Year of Astronomy and UNESCO Astronomy and World Heritage Initiative;
- **ICOMOS E-News:** All back issues from 2008 and 2009 were made available online.
- **Advisory Committee 2009, Malta:** The papers of the Scientific Symposium "Changing World, Changing Views of Heritage: The impact of global change on cultural heritage – Technological Change", programmes and practical information on the Advisory Committee meeting and Malta; Candidature dossiers for the elections of the Advisory Committee Chair and Vice-Chair and Scientific Council Officers.

For the first time, the International Secretariat set up a series of on-line Forums accessible under:

<http://forums.icomos.org/index.php>. In 2009, Forums were created at request, among other, for internal discussion among the members of the Strategic Planning Working Groups 1: Financial Stability and 3: ISC and the Scientific Council, and also for the Young Heritage Researchers and Professionals Group, as well as for the International Scientific Committee on Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH).

A total of 5 National and International Scientific Committees set up new web pages (see list in Attachment 4)



## Part 1 – The Year in detail

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Membership base and links to public authorities, institutions and individuals

**ICOMOS Observatory**

ICOMOS World Heritage work

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Increasing Awareness

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Investing in education and training

ICOMOS' organisational capacity

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### ICOMOS Observatory

The ICOMOS Statutes spell out ICOMOS' role as being "the international organisation concerned with furthering the conservation, protection, rehabilitation and enhancement of monuments, groups of buildings and sites, on the international level". This role implies advocacy work by both our Committees and our members. The advocacy role of ICOMOS members is further detailed in the ICOMOS Ethical Commitment Statement.

As an organization, ICOMOS has implemented its advocacy role through programmes such as the *Heritage at Risk* reports – or more recently through the *Heritage Alerts* Process described below. Such advocacy work may further take the form of letters of concern sent to public authorities/owners/stakeholders/the press by Committees on the situation of a particular heritage site in their country or field of interest. Individual ICOMOS members can support this preventive monitoring effort by forwarding information to their Committee or the International Secretariat on any issues they may see at heritage places they visit or are professionally involved with. Through the "World Heritage Site Visit Report" form available on the ICOMOS web site – ICOMOS members are particularly encouraged to provide short, informal reports on their observations, as professionals, on what they see during their visits to World Heritage sites in a private capacity.

The ICOMOS Observatory includes several separate programme components all designed to monitor the state of heritage sites and places world-wide.

#### **Heritage@Risk**

The Heritage@Risk programme was endorsed by the ICOMOS General Assembly in Mexico in 1999. Since 2000, ICOMOS has published 5 general World Reports on Monuments and Sites in Danger and three special editions. ICOMOS thanks go to ICOMOS Germany, and Honorary President Michael Petzet, who has coordinated the editing and production of all reports, whose publication has been supported among other by the German Federal Government Commissioner for Cultural Affairs and the Media and the Messerschmitt Foundation. The International Secretariat also posts special reports on specific issues on the ICOMOS website.

The aim of these reports is to identify threatened heritage places, monuments and sites, present typical case studies and trends, and share suggestions for solving individual or global threats to our cultural heritage. ICOMOS National Committees, International Scientific Committees and ICOMOS' world-wide professional network are invited to provide short reports outlining risks in their country or area of expertise including case studies. The reports are all available on-line for free and in most cases also in hard-copy through the ICOMOS Documentation Centre.

ICOMOS would like to issue annual Heritage at Risk reports. This has however not been possible due to lack of funding. 2009 saw the collection of case studies and reports, in view of their publication in 2010.

#### **Heritage Alerts**

Recognising the frequency of requests received by ICOMOS to react to threats to heritage sites and monuments, the Scientific Council and Advisory Committee had, at the General Assembly in Quebec in 2008, endorsed a project proposal from the International Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century Heritage (ISC20C) to trial a system of Heritage Alerts.

This system aims to deal systematically with the increasing need to respond to urgent threats by establishing an assessment process to understand the threats to individual sites, together with an electronic information distribution. Following a trial period, a refined project will be offered for adoption by Scientific and National Committees more generally. It may become a component of the ICOMOS Observatory.

#### **"Resolution 16GA 2008/23 - Heritage Alerts Programme: Pilot study**

Recognising the frequency of requests for ICOMOS to react to threats to heritage sites and monuments, the Scientific Council and Advisory Committee have endorsed a project proposal from the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century Heritage (ISC20) to trial a system of Heritage Alerts. The ISC20 Heritage Alerts project aims to deal systematically with the increasing need to respond to the urgent threats which impact the conservation of the heritage of the Twentieth Century. An assessment process to understand the threats to individual sites is proposed, together with an electronic information distribution methodology. A trial period is proposed, after which a refined project will be offered for adoption by ICOMOS Scientific and National Committees more generally. It may become a component of the ICOMOS Observatory.

The 16th General Assembly of ICOMOS, meeting in Quebec, Canada in October 2008 notes the useful scope and applicability of this work and resolves to:

Urge the ICOMOS Executive Committee to provide modest logistical support to the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century Heritage to undertake a pilot study for Twentieth Century Heritage Alerts and report back to the Scientific Council and Advisory Committee on the results of such a trial.”

In 2009, ICOMOS issued two Heritage Alerts:



**Gunnar Asplund's Stockholm City Library:** Considering the heritage values of this site, the international importance of the work of Gunnar Asplund, and that the winning design for an extension to the library would have had serious adverse impacts on the heritage of the complex, the Presidents of ICOMOS, the International Union of Architects, DOCOMOMO International and the ICOMOS ISC20C in September jointly requested the Mayor of Stockholm to urgently reconsider the project and to resolve a more acceptable design solution in heritage terms. ICOMOS Sweden, Europa Nostra and Docomomo Sweden also issued a joint appeal. The Mayor of Stockholm in reply informed that the Project committee, including senior officials from different parts of the City administration, appointed in 2008 had advised against the project following a comprehensive assessment of the financial and cultural heritage aspects of the extension, and that the city had therefore decided not go further with the proposal.

For more information: <http://icomos-isc20c.org/id3.html>



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#### **Kashgar (Xinjiang Province, China)**

In June, ICOMOS wrote to the State Administration of Cultural Heritage and to ICOMOS China expressing its grave concern about reports in the international press that the demolition of the majority of the old city of Kashgar was underway. Mr Tong Minkang, President of ICOMOS China, provided a reply informing on the principles under which the restoration project would be conducted, the mission by UNESCO Beijing Office that had taken place in June 2009, the process underway in China to select sites for the nomination of the Silk Roads to UNESCO, and that ICOMOS China had reported ICOMOS' recommendations to the Bureau of Cultural Heritage of Xinjiang Uighur Autonomous Region and the Ministry of Housing and Urban-Rural Development and that it would actively assist the People's Government of Kashgar and departments concerned in their endeavours to protect the old town of Kashgar.

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### **The ICOMOS World Heritage Global Monitoring Network**

A proposal for this new initiative was presented by the President to the Advisory Committee meeting in November, as well as to the Executive Committee's World Heritage Working Group. It is proposed to engage individual members and National Committees in building a global network to monitor the state of conservation of all cultural and mixed sites inscribed on the World Heritage List. National Committees willing to participate would be asked to submit to ICOMOS, an annual state of conservation report following a standardized format still to be developed. Work to further develop this initiative will continue into 2010.





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### ICOMOS World Heritage work

ICOMOS' most known international role is the evaluations it provides for UNESCO in the framework of the 1972 World Heritage Convention. ICOMOS' World Heritage role extends far beyond the evaluation of nominations, and we are now also providing assessment work for other partner organisations such as the World Monuments Fund and the Organisation of World Heritage Cities.

As a formal professional advisor on cultural heritage to the World Heritage Committee, ICOMOS is involved in a wide range of activities such as evaluation of nominations to the World Heritage List, state of conservation reporting (reactive monitoring), reviewing of international assistance requests, intellectual development of the World Heritage Convention, etc. There is a corresponding workload and calendar for this role, supported by the World Heritage Unit of the ICOMOS International Secretariat, the ICOMOS Executive Committee and its World Heritage Working Group. ICOMOS' World Heritage work is strictly based on our internal "Policy for the implementation of the ICOMOS World Heritage mandate". The World Heritage Convention is UNESCO's most ratified convention by State Parties throughout the world.

Consultation of National Committees and International Scientific Committees (ISCs) is current practice and in particular when it comes to the nomination of properties to the World Heritage List and the reactive monitoring missions for state of conservation reporting. Relevant ISCs are consulted systematically for every nomination cycle. Some ISCs have established robust working methods to ensure that they can respond to these requests, which supports the World Heritage Panel in making well-informed decisions.

The World Heritage Working Group, established by the Executive Committee in 2006, generally meets 3 times per year (March 2009, September 2009, December 2009). In 2009, the composition of the World Heritage Working Group was modified (see Attachment 2).

In 2009, the ICOMOS World Heritage Programme worked on providing better support to the ICOMOS World Heritage Advisors who prepare and present the ICOMOS evaluations of nominated properties, by providing induction sessions and upstream peer review; improving the visual aspect of presentations to the World Heritage Committee and continuing improvements to the evaluation format by adding a new section concerning serial nominations and extensions.

The Working Group also reviewed the operation and composition of the World Heritage Panel. The external review of ICOMOS' work in the evaluation of World Heritage nominations commissioned from an independent expert the previous year was completed, with the report to be publicly released in 2010.

A new process for selecting World Heritage Advisers was also implemented, including a world-wide call for candidatures and a rigorous selection process. The newly appointed Advisers would work on the 2010 evaluation cycle.

Transparency and communication have been a major focus for the World Heritage Working Group, and new ways are being sought to inform members on the processes of ICOMOS' World Heritage work and to provide feedback to the experts and Committee's involved. A special session on World Heritage was organised for the representatives of ICOMOS Committees at the Advisory Committee meeting in Malta, in October this year.

ICOMOS adopted a new and more detailed format for the biennial budgets submitted to UNESCO, in cooperation with the World Heritage Centre and IUCN, and successfully negotiated a change in the date cycle for its World Heritage contracts, avoiding the organisation to have to pre-finance its activities. Additional resources also allowed strengthening the World Heritage Unit with additional staff (see Attachment 2).

ICOMOS participated at the meeting of Advisory Bodies (IUCN, ICCROM and ICOMOS) with the World Heritage Centre on 13 to 15 January 2009 and 7-9 September 2009, and worked in particular with IUCN on improving coordination of the evaluation of mixed sites and cultural landscapes.

Furthermore, the ICOMOS President and Secretary General met the Chair of the World Heritage Committee, the Assistant Director General for Culture, as well as the Director and the Chief of Sections of the World Heritage for discussions on improving cooperation and working processes in early February.

The World Heritage work of ICOMOS relies on the expertise, energy and commitment of many people throughout our global organisation, and the knowledge and efficiency of the World Heritage Unit of the ICOMOS International Secretariat.

## New inscriptions on the World Heritage List

For the 2009 cycle of World Heritage evaluations, ICOMOS evaluated 47 nominations made by 29 State Parties (of which 23 were new nominations, 5 for properties which had been referred back or deferred in the past, and 14 concerned minor boundary modifications to inscribed sites). Eight were serial nominations (including 99 monuments, ensembles and sites and 5 extensions to inscribed sites). 33 ICOMOS experts from 25 countries participated in the evaluation missions, and 8 International Scientific Committees and 29 National Committees were consulted in the process. In addition over 100 ICOMOS experts were asked to provide desk reviews concerning the Outstanding Universal Value of the nominated sites.

The 2009 ICOMOS World Heritage Panel met from 28 to 30 November 2008 to establish ICOMOS' recommendations to UNESCO and the World Heritage Working Group reviewed additional information requested from States Parties at its meeting on 9 and 10 March 2009. ICOMOS also assisted the World Heritage Centre in preparing the working documents for the Seville session and participated at an information meeting for members of the World Heritage Committee on 18 May at UNESCO and on 21 June in Seville, and the 17th General Assembly of States Parties to the Convention which took place from 23 to 28 October 2009.

An ICOMOS delegation led by the President, including senior staff of the World Heritage Unit, three Advisers, the Secretary General, and the two Vice Presidents in charge of the World Heritage Working Group, as well as a representative of ICOMOS Spain participated at the 33<sup>rd</sup> World Heritage Committee Session from 22-30 June 2009 in Seville (Spain). Besides presenting the evaluation and State of Conservation reports, delegation members made presentations to the Orientation session for the Committee, participated in the Committee's Budget Working Group, attended the Working Group on the Future of the Convention and attended many other presentations and discussions.

On the basis of ICOMOS studies, reviews and recommendations, the World Heritage Committee inscribed the following cultural properties on the World Heritage List during its 33<sup>rd</sup> Session:

### **Cidade Velha, Historic Centre of Ribeira Grande**

Cape Verde

Reference: 1310



The town of Ribeira Grande, renamed Cidade Velha in the late 18th century, was the first European colonial outpost in the tropics. Located in the south of the island of Santiago, the town features some of the original street layout impressive remains including two churches, a royal fortress and Pillory Square with its ornate 16th century marble pillar

### **La Chaux-de-Fonds / Le Locle, watchmaking town planning**

Switzerland

Reference: 1302



The site of La Chaux-de-Fonds / Le Locle watchmaking town-planning consists of two towns situated close to one another in a remote environment in the Swiss Jura mountains, on land ill-suited to farming. Their planning and buildings reflect watchmakers' need of rational organization. Planned in the early 19th century, after extensive fires, the towns owed their existence to this single industry. Their layout along an open-ended scheme of parallel strips on which residential housing and workshops are intermingled reflects the needs of the local watchmaking culture that dates to the 17th century and is still alive today. The site presents outstanding examples of mono-industrial manufacturing-towns which are well preserved and still active. The urban planning of both towns has accommodated the transition from the artisanal production of a cottage industry to the more concentrated factory production of the late 19th and 20th centuries. The town of La Chaux-de-Fonds was described by Karl Marx as a "huge factory-town" in *Das Kapital* where he analysed the division of labour in the watchmaking industry of the Jura

### Mount Wutai

China

Reference: 1279

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With its five flat peaks, Mount Wutai is a sacred Buddhist mountain. The cultural landscape numbers 53 monasteries and includes the East Main Hall of Foguang Temple, the highest surviving timber Building of the Tang Dynasty with life size clay sculptures. It also features the Ming Dynasty Shuxiang Temple with a huge complex of 500 statues representing Buddhist stories woven into three dimensional pictures of mountains and water.

Overall, the buildings on the site present a catalogue of the way Buddhist architecture developed and influenced palace building in China over more than one millennium. Mount Wutai, literally, the five terrace mountain, is the highest mountain in northern China and is remarkable for its morphology characterized by precipitous sides with five open treeless peaks. Temples have been built on the site since the 1st century AD to the early 20th century.

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### Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Canal

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Reference: 1303

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Situated in north-eastern Wales, the 18 kilometre long Pontcysyllte Canal is a feat of civil engineering of the Industrial Revolution, completed in the early years of the 19th century. Covering a difficult geographical setting, the building of the canal required substantial, bold civil engineering solutions, especially as it was built without using locks. The aqueduct is a pioneering masterpiece of engineering and monumental metal architecture, conceived by the celebrated civil engineer Thomas Telford. The use of both cast and wrought iron in the aqueduct enabled the construction of arches that were light and strong, producing an overall effect that is both monumental and elegant. The property is inscribed as a masterpiece of creative genius, and as a remarkable synthesis of expertise already acquired in Europe. It is also recognized as an innovative ensemble that inspired many projects all over the world.

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### Royal Tombs of the Joseon Dynasty

Korea, Republic of

Reference: 1319

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The Royal Tombs of the Joseon Dynasty form a collection of 40 tombs scattered over 18 locations. Built over five centuries, from 1408 to 1966, the tombs honoured the memory of ancestors, showed respect for their achievements, asserted royal authority, protected ancestral spirits from evil and provided protection from vandalism. Spots of outstanding natural beauty were chosen for the tombs which typically have their back protected by a hill as they face south toward water and, ideally, layers of mountain ridges in the distance. Alongside the burial area, the royal tombs feature a ceremonial area and an entrance. In addition to the burial mounds, associated buildings that are an integral part of the tombs include a T-shaped wooden shrine, a shed for stele, a royal kitchen and a guards' house, a red-spiked gate and the tomb keeper's house. The grounds are adorned on the outside with a range of stone objects including figures of people and animals. The inscription of the Joseon Tombs completes the two earlier series of Korean Peninsula royal tombs already inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List: the Gyeongju Historic Areas, Republic of Korea, and Complex of Koguryo Tombs, Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

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### Sacred City of Caral-Supe

Peru

Reference: 1269



The 5000-year-old 626-hectare archaeological site of The Sacred City of Caral-Supe is situated on a dry desert terrace overlooking the green valley of the Supe River. It dates back to the Late Archaic Period of the Central Andes and is the oldest centre of civilization in the Americas. Exceptionally well-preserved, the site is impressive in terms of its design and the complexity of its architectural, especially its monumental stone and earthen platform mounds and sunken circular courts. One of 18 urban settlements situated in the same area, Caral features complex and monumental architecture, including six large pyramidal structures. A quipu (the knot system used in Andean civilizations to record information) found on the site testifies to the development and complexity of Caral society. The city's plan and some of its components, including pyramidal structures and residence of the elite, show clear evidence of ceremonial functions, signifying a powerful religious ideology.

### Shushtar Historical Hydraulic System

Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Reference: 1315



Shushtar, Historical Hydraulic System, inscribed as a masterpiece of creative genius, can be traced back to Darius the Great in the 5th century B.C. It involved the creation of two main diversion canals on the river Kârun one of which, Gargar canal, is still in use providing water to the city of Shushtar via a series of tunnels that supply water to mills. It forms a spectacular cliff from which water cascades into a downstream basin. It then enters the plain situated south of the city where it has enabled the planting of orchards and farming over an area of 40,000 ha. known as Mianâb (Paradise). The property has an ensemble of remarkable sites including the Salâsel Castel, the operation centre of the entire hydraulic system, the tower where the water level is measured, dams, bridges, basins and mills. It bears witness to the know-how of the Elamites and Mesopotamians as well as more recent Nabatean expertise and Roman building influence.

### Stoclet House

Belgium

Reference: 1298



When banker and art collector Adolphe Stoclet commissioned this house from one of the leading architects of the Vienna Secession movement, Josef Hoffmann, in 1905, he imposed neither aesthetic nor financial restrictions on the project. The house and garden were completed in 1911 and their austere geometry marked a turning point in Art Nouveau, foreshadowing Art Deco and the Modern Movement in architecture. Stoclet House is one of the most accomplished and homogenous buildings of the Vienna Secession, and features works by Koloman Moser and Gustav Klimt, embodying the aspiration of creating a 'total work of art' (Gesamtkunstwerk). Bearing testimony to artistic renewal in European architecture, the house retains a high level of integrity, both externally and internally as it retains most of its original fixtures and furnishings.

### Sulaiman-Too Sacred Mountain

Kyrgyzstan

Reference: 1230rev

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Sulaiman-Too Sacred Mountain Kyrgyzstan dominates the Fergana Valley and forms the backdrop to the city of Osh, at the crossroads of important routes on the Central Asian Silk Roads. For more than one and a half millennia, Sulaiman was a beacon for travellers revered as a sacred mountain. Its five peaks and slopes contain numerous ancient places of worship and caves with petroglyphs as well as two largely reconstructed 16th century mosques. One hundred and one sites with petroglyphs representing humans and animals as well as geometrical forms have been indexed in the property so far. The site numbers 17 places of worship, which are still in use, and many that are not. Dispersed around the mountain peaks they are connected by footpaths. The cult sites are believed to provide cures for barrenness, headaches, and back pain and give the blessing of longevity. Veneration for the mountain blends pre-Islamic and Islamic beliefs. The site is believed to represent the most complete example of a sacred mountain anywhere in Central Asia, worshipped over several millennia.

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### The Ruins of Loropéni

Burkina Faso

Reference: 1225rev

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The 11,130m<sup>2</sup> property, the first to be inscribed in the country, with its imposing stone walls is the best preserved of ten fortresses in the Lobi area and is part of a larger group of 100 stone enclosures that bear testimony to the power of the trans-Saharan gold trade. Situated near the borders of Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana and Togo, the ruins have recently been shown to be at least 1,000 years old. The settlement was occupied by the Lohron or Koulango peoples, who controlled the extraction and transformation of gold in the region when it reached its apogee from the 14th to the 17th century. Much mystery surrounds this site large parts of which have yet to be excavated. The settlement seems to have been abandoned during some periods during its long history. The property which was finally deserted in the early 19th century is expected to yield much more information.

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### Tower of Hercules

Spain

Reference: 1312

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The Tower of Hercules has served as a lighthouse and landmark at the entrance of La Coruña harbour in north-western Spain since the late 1st century A.D. when the Romans built the Farum Brigantium. The Tower, built on a 57 metre high rock, rises a further 55 meters. It is divided into three progressively smaller levels, the first of which corresponds to the Roman structure of the lighthouse. Immediately adjacent to the base of the Tower, is a small rectangular Roman building. The site also features a sculpture park, the Monte dos Bicos rock carvings from the Iron Age and a Muslim cemetery. The Roman foundations of the building were revealed in excavations conducted in the 1990s. Many legends from the Middle Ages to the 19th century surround the Tower of Hercules which is unique as it is the only lighthouse of Greco-Roman antiquity to have retained a measure of structural integrity and functional continuity.

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The World Heritage Committee also approved extensions for the following cultural properties:

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**From the Great Saltworks of Salins-les-Bains to the Royal Saltworks of Arc-et-Senans, the production of open-pan salt**

France

Reference: 203bis

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The Royal Saltworks of Arc-et-Senans, near Besançon, was built by Claude-Nicolas Ledoux. Its construction, begun in 1775 during the reign of Louis XVI, was the first major achievement of industrial architecture, reflecting the ideal of progress of the Enlightenment. This vast, semicircular complex was designed to permit a rational and hierarchical organization of work and was to have been followed by the building of an ideal city, a project that was never realized. The Great Saltworks of Salins-les-Bains, where brine has been extracted since the Middle Ages if not earlier, features three buildings above ground: salt stores, the Amont well building and a former dwelling. It is linked to Claude-Nicolas Ledoux's Royal Saltworks of Arc-et-Senans and bears testimony to the history of salt extraction in France.

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**Levoča, Spišský Hrad and the Associated Cultural Monuments**

Slovakia

Reference: 620bis

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Spišský Hrad has one of the largest ensembles of 13th and 14th century military, political and religious buildings in eastern Europe, and its Romanesque and Gothic architecture has remained remarkably intact. The extended site features the addition of the historic town-centre of Levoča founded in the 13th and 14th centuries within fortifications. Most of the site has been preserved and it includes the 14th century church of St James with its ten altars of the 15th and 16th centuries, a remarkable collection of polychrome works in the Late Gothic style, including an 18.6 metre high altarpiece by completed around 1510 by Master Paul.

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### State of Conservation of properties already inscribed on the World Heritage List

The World Heritage Centre throughout the year regularly consults ICOMOS, as Advisory Body, on problems or threats faced by cultural and mixed properties inscribed on the World Heritage List and tentative lists of States Parties. ICOMOS conducts additional research, in particular through its networks, examines documentation and provides written reports to the Centre.

For its part, ICOMOS immediately forwards to the World Heritage Centre any information received through its networks on the state of conservation of World Heritage properties and / or threats that could affect these properties, so that the Centre has complete records, can make enquiries with the States Parties concerned and, where appropriate, begin the process of reactive monitoring. Reactive monitoring is also foreseen in the procedures for the inclusion of properties in the List of World Heritage in Danger and for the removal of properties from the World Heritage List.

World Heritage properties to be reported on are selected in consultation between the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies, taking into account the following:

- Properties inscribed on the World Heritage List in Danger
- Properties for which state-of-conservation reports and/or reactive monitoring missions were requested by the Committee at previous sessions;
- Properties which have come under serious threat since the last session of the Committee and which require urgent actions;
- Properties where, upon inscription, follow-up was requested by the Committee.

UNESCO has attempted to establish a two-yearly reporting cycle for most of the World Heritage properties under consideration, both to reduce the number of state of conservation reports to be examined by the Committee and to provide States Parties a more realistic timeframe to report on progress achieved. Exceptions have been made when special circumstances demanded annual review. The World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies have also studied the possibility of setting-up a regular regional review of the state of conservation of World Heritage properties (combined with the Periodic Reporting process), to allow consideration of properties which have never been subjected to the reporting process, or which have not been considered for many years, and the possible "phasing-out" of others as appropriate.

In 2009, ICOMOS contributed to 122 State of Conservation reports to be considered by the World Heritage Committee at its 33rd session (Seville, 2009), of which it directly drafted 77. ICOMOS also reviewed the draft reports prepared by the World Heritage Centre and participated in a work week on these reports in March 2009. In 28 cases, ICOMOS sent expert missions to the sites (many of these were joint missions with UNESCO). Furthermore, ICOMOS participated in 7 advisory missions funded by the States Parties concerned.

ICOMOS participated in the statistical analysis of State of Conservation reports prepared by the World Heritage Centre in 2009, which identified key factors affecting the situation of properties: development and infrastructure, other human activities, management and legal issues, and natural events and disasters. A number of new and emerging issues and threats have been identified over the past years such as the issue of buffer zones, wind farms, tourism pressure, mining, inappropriate developments in particular tall buildings, and most importantly climate change.

ICOMOS participates at many of the regional meetings organised in the Periodic reporting process. In 2009 this included meetings in Morocco (June 2009) for the Arab States; Paris (September 2009) for Africa; and Buenos Aires (November 2009) for Latin American and Caribbean.

### International Assistance requests

For the 2009 cycle, ICOMOS was asked to examine a total of 19 international assistance requests (technical, preparatory, emergency or training) and participated at three meetings to examine these organised by the World Heritage Centre, in presence of the World Heritage Committee Chair, in January, June and September 2009.



## Global Strategy and the Future of the Convention

Throughout the year ICOMOS launched or completed the following documents in support of the implementation of the World Heritage Convention:



The Thematic Study “Rock Art in Central Asia” was on-going and an expert meeting was organised on 29 May 2009 at the World Heritage Centre. This is the third in a series of regional thematic studies on rock art.

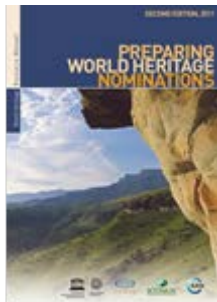
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[www.international.icomos.org/world\\_heritage/TS\\_CentralAsia\\_20111220.pdf](http://www.international.icomos.org/world_heritage/TS_CentralAsia_20111220.pdf)



The Thematic Study “Heritage sites of Astronomy and Archaeoastronomy” was launched in cooperation with the International Astronomical Union (IAU).

See: [www2.astronomicalheritage.org/index.php/thematic-study](http://www2.astronomicalheritage.org/index.php/thematic-study)



The “Resource manual for preparation of nominations of cultural properties” was presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> World Heritage Committee Session in Seville.

See: <http://whc.unesco.org/uploads/activities/documents/activity-643-1.pdf>

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The “ICOMOS’ Compendium II on World Heritage in Danger - a compendium of key decisions on the conservation of cultural heritage properties on the UNESCO List of World Heritage in Danger” which examines the decisions taken by successive sessions of the World Heritage Committee with regards to endangered World Heritage Sites – their inscription, procedures, justifications, monitoring and management, removal from the List of World Heritage in Danger, and the impact on the outstanding universal value of these sites.

See: <http://whc.unesco.org/archive/2009/whc09-33com-9e.pdf>

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ICOMOS contributed a document and two presentations to the workshop on the Future of the World Heritage Convention held from 25 to 27 February at UNESCO.

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Work continued on the *Rock Art: Pre-nomination guidelines* – which are expected to be published in 2010. Drafted to support State Parties on how to prepare nominations of Rock Art sites, the guidelines discuss different aspects of Rock Art sites which need to be taken into consideration in a nomination dossier, for example identifying and assessing the intrinsic qualities of the sites, as well as their conservation and management.



ICOMOS provided peer review for the “Resource Manual on Risk Preparedness” prepared by Mr Rohit Jigyasu, member of ICOMOS, under the aegis of ICCROM.

ICOMOS is also a partner in the World Heritage Centre’s Sustainable Tourism programme.

To see all the events ICOMOS attended in fulfilment of its World Heritage mandate, please consult Attachment 5

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### Heritage Impact Assessments

ICOMOS, in the context of its World Heritage work, launched work on a short guidance document on the topic of Heritage Impact Assessments for Cultural World Heritage properties through a workshop held September 2009. The aim is to propose a methodology intended specifically for World Heritage properties for use by States Parties and developers when they prepare impact studies to measure the impact of development on the Outstanding Universal Value of sites, using the Statements of Outstanding Universal Value, developed as part of the World Heritage process, as a basis.

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#### **World Monuments Fund Watch Programme**

In 2009, the World Monuments Fund (WMF), an institutional member of ICOMOS US, launched the call for nominations for its 2010 Watch List, a biennial list of 100 most endangered sites. On the initiative of its US National Committee, ICOMOS cooperated with WMF in making the Watch Program more effective, by dissemination the call for nominations, encouraging ICOMOS Committees to formulate proposals for inscriptions in the List, and by assisting in evaluating the individual nominations through the participation of around 70 expert members nominated by the National and Scientific Committee who produced 180 reviews of submitted dossiers.

Watch listing provides opportunities for sites and their nominators to raise awareness, encourage local participation, advance innovation and collaboration, and demonstrate effective solutions. Whether through financial or technical assistance, capacity building, or advocacy, the Watch works as an important vehicle for international cooperation and support. Since 1996, WMF has awarded grants to nearly half of the Watch sites, totalling US\$50 million, and leveraged an additional US\$150 million from other sources. But the Watch goes beyond mere financial assistance; it helps focus the world's attention on problem heritage areas and it builds the right climate for finding solutions. For more information [www.wmf.org/watch](http://www.wmf.org/watch)

#### **Organisation of World Heritage Cities - The Jean-Paul-L'Allier Prize for Heritage**

September 2009 saw the first edition of this prize which will be awarded every second year by the Organization of World Heritage Cities (OWHC) to a city that is a member in good standing of the OWHC, and that has distinguished itself by its achievement toward conservation, enhancement or management of property inscribed on the World Heritage List, and that is located on its territory. The City of Warsaw was the first city to win this this prestigious International Award.

Ms Bénédicte Selfslagh, Secretary General of ICOMOS was part of the jury that evaluated the 14 eligible candidatures. Other jury members included : Ms Régina Wiala-Zimm, CEO for International Relations of the City of Vienna and OWHC board member ; Mr Bruno Delas, Project Director at the City of Lyon, which is a member of the OWHC board ; Mr Ron van Oers, in charge of the Heritage Cities programme at UNESCO, and Mr Denis Ricard, Secretary General of OWHC

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### Emergency Responses & Assistance

ICOMOS seeks to participate in international/regional programmes and cooperation mechanisms, and also to establish its own tools for assisting countries in their role as stewards of their national heritage, and to be able to respond in times of disasters and emergencies.

#### Blue Shield

The Blue Shield is the cultural equivalent of the Red Cross. It is the protective emblem specified in the 1954 Hague Convention (Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict) for marking cultural sites to give them protection from attack in the event of armed conflict. The Blue Shield network consists of organisations dealing with museums, archives, audio-visual supports, libraries, as well as monuments and sites. The International Committee of the Blue Shield, founded in 1996, comprises representatives of the five Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) working in this field: the International Council on Archives (<http://www.ica.org>), the International Council of Museums (<http://www.icom.museum>), the International Council on Monuments and Sites ([www.icomos.org](http://www.icomos.org)), the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (<http://www.ifla.org>), and the Co-ordinating Council of Audio-visual Archives Associations (<http://www.ccaaa.org>).

In 2009, the Presidency of the International Committee of the Blue Shield (ICBS) passed from ICA to ICOM and three regular meetings were held in January, May and September, attended by the ICOMOS Secretary General and/or the Director of the Secretariat. ICOMOS was also able to organise a meeting with former UNESCO Director of the Cultural Heritage Division, Ms Lyndell Prott, and the new ICBS President, which provided helpful background.

National Blue Shield Committees have been founded in a number of countries. In 2009, a new one was created in Indonesia. The Association of National Committees of the Blue Shield (ANCBS) set up in December 2008 and headquartered in The Hague, coordinates and strengthens international efforts to protect cultural property at risk of destruction in armed conflicts or natural disasters - [www.ancbs.org](http://www.ancbs.org).

Blue Shield actions in 2009 included:

- A Statement deploring the destruction that took place in the Palestinian Territories and the State of Israel, in particular in the Gaza area during the conflict in February.
- A Statement and assistance programme and missions, organised by the ANCBS and supported by ICOMOS Netherlands, following the collapse of the City Archive of Cologne (Germany) in March.
- A Statement of solidarity with Italy on the destruction caused by the earthquake which took place on 6 April in the Abruzzo region.
- A Statement of solidarity with the countries of South East Asia and the Pacific for the destructions caused by natural disasters in September 2009: the earthquake in Sumatra (Indonesia), the tsunami in Samoa and other Pacific islands, the tropical storms in Cambodia, the Philippines and in Vietnam. The ICOMOS Secretariat was in contact with both ICOMOS Indonesia and Philippines who had actively participated in heritage rescue operations in their countries.
- Participation various meetings concerning the 1954 Hague Convention and its protocols (see p. 159)
- Participation in December 2009 at the seminar on the *Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict* organised by the International Institute of Humanitarian Law (IIHL) in San Remo (Italy).

#### Development of Best Practice Models for Seismic Preparedness and Response Plans

Following the ICOMOS China seminar on post-earthquake rescue and restoration of cultural heritage, held on 25 July in Sichuan and the resulting “Chengdu Resolution”, and discussions with a number of interested groups, consultation with expert members of ICOMOS China and ICOMOS Japan, as well as an initial survey of successful and innovative practices implemented by ICOMOS members in various regions of the world, the President requested the formation of a working group to gather and develop best practice models for Seismic Preparedness and Response Plans.

Oversight of the work was entrusted to the ICOMOS Scientific Council, and all ICOMOS Committees as well as partner institutions with relevant expertise or interest were invited to contribute to this effort.

#### Euromed Heritage IV

Since 1998, during the phases I, II and III, the Euromed Heritage regional programme, funded by the European Union, has committed a total of 57 million Euros to fund partnerships between conservation experts and heritage institutions from the countries of the Mediterranean region.

Embedded in the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) and with a budget of 17 million Euros, Euromed Heritage IV (2008-2012) intends to facilitate the appropriation by people of their own national and regional cultural legacy through easier access to education and knowledge on cultural heritage. Twelve projects, each bringing together a leading organisation and various partners from both the European Union and Mediterranean Partner Countries (Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestinian Authority, Syria and Tunisia), are funded for a three-year period. Euromed Heritage IV (EH 4) offers to select projects a framework for exchanges of experience, channels for disseminating best practices as well as new perspectives for the development of the cultural institutional environment at national and regional levels.

To assist partners and beneficiary countries, a Regional Monitoring and Support Unit (RMSU) is operating from Brussels. The RMSU team includes ICOMOS members, Jean-Louis Luxen, Christophe Graz and Georges Zouain. The RMSU leans on the support of a multi-national consortium with diversified knowledge including ICOMOS, Agriconsulting Europe S.A. (Belgium), Culture Lab (Belgium), London Metropolitan University (United Kingdom), and led by Hydea S.r.l. (Italy). The ICOMOS Director attended a Consortium meeting in May 2009.

In 2009, the Executive Committee asked newly co-opted member Ms Mina EIMghari (Morocco) to particularly follow ICOMOS' involvement in EH 4 in terms of content and to increase the awareness of its international network in the countries of the South Mediterranean region and thus revitalise its National Committees in this part of the world. Ms EIMghari attended the Third Legal Seminar on "Planning regulations and urban rehabilitation" organised on 8-9 December in Rabat (Morocco) by former ICOMOS Secretary General, Jean-Louis Luxen, Senior Legal Adviser for EH 4 in the context of the programme's mission to foster the reinforcement of the institutional and legal framework for cultural heritage in the beneficiary countries.

For more information on the programme see [www.euromedheritage.net](http://www.euromedheritage.net)





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## Increasing Awareness

### International Day for Monuments and Sites 18 April

#### The Heritage of Science

The International Day for Monuments and Sites was created on 18th April, 1982, by ICOMOS and later approved at the 22nd UNESCO General Conference in 1983. This special day offers an opportunity for ICOMOS National and International Committees to raise public awareness concerning the diversity of the world's heritage and the efforts that are required to protect and conserve it, as well as to draw attention to its vulnerability. Each year, ICOMOS proposes a general theme; this year's theme was "The Heritage of Science".

Over 38 Committees and countries (South Africa, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Finland, Greece, Hungary, Iran Ireland, Israel, Italy, Korea, Lithuania, Macedonia, Malta, Mexico, Morocco, Panama, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Thailand, Turkey, United Kingdom, Uruguay and Venezuela) organized special events for 18 April 2009. The initiatives were publicized in a special edition of the ICOMOS e-news and were also presented on the dedicated web pages <http://18april.icomos.org/>. See also the list of ICOMOS conferences in Attachment 5 for the event organised by ICOMOS.

This year's theme was designed as a contribution to the 2009 UN International Year of Astronomy and in particular to the World Heritage Centre's "Astronomy and World Heritage" initiative. In this context, ICOMOS attended the opening ceremony of the International Year on 15-16 January 2009 and participated in the Working Group on Astronomy and World Heritage created by the International Astronomical Union (IAU), charged with the on-going development of a thematic study on the Astronomical heritage. See also information on the ICOMOS publication *Monuments and Sites, Vol. XVIII: Cultural heritage of astronomical observatories: From classical astronomy to modern astrophysics* in Attachment 4.

In this context, the ICOMOS Documentation Centre in the week of 20-24 April 2009, organized a special photography exhibition "Observe the stars with World Heritage" which showcased World Heritage sites, from Stonehenge to Struve's Geodetic Arc, linked to the science of astronomy.



Visitors at the 18<sup>th</sup> April exhibition at the ICOMOS Documentation Centre

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### Promotion of international conventions and recommendations

#### UNESCO

ICOMOS has a long history of providing professional and technical advice to UNESCO, and has an involvement in many of its programmes.

During the meeting of the Committee on non-governmental organisations of the UNESCO Executive Council, held on 16 April 2009, the Secretary General of ICOMOS was invited to present the role of NGOs in the establishment of international norms for the cultural heritage field.

As an Advisory Body to the World Heritage Committee, ICOMOS actively supports the implementation of the World Heritage Convention. Its activities in relation to other UNESCO Conventions and programs is briefly summarised below.

#### Underwater cultural heritage

The UNESCO Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage, adopted in 2001, entered into force on 2 January 2009. The first Meeting of States Parties to the Convention took place on 26 and 27 March 2009. ICOMOS actively took part in this meeting through its International Scientific Committee on Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH), whose President was guest of honour. At this meeting ICOMOS was officially designated as advisor to the Scientific and Technical Advisory Board of the Convention. To prepare the Meeting of States Parties, ICUCH invited all ICOMOS members participating at the meeting through their national delegations for a meeting at the ICOMOS International Secretariat on 25 March.

ICOMOS also participated at the Second meeting of States Parties in Paris from 1 to 2 December 2009, and again organised a meeting for its members on 30 November.

ICUCH also attended the regional workshops and meetings organised by UNESCO to build capacity and promote the Convention, in particular in Africa and the Arab States. ICUCH has also participated in the development of a series of UNESCO Category 2 field training centres for underwater archaeology in (Chanthaburi) Thailand and (Zadar) Croatia launched in 2009. ICUCH has been involved in the formulation of curricula and strategy, identification of trainers and trainees, advising on the wreck sites appropriate to be used for training, developing and teaching training modules. The first Foundation Course on Underwater Cultural Heritage in Chanthaburi, Thailand, took place from 26 October to 5 December 2009.

#### Intangible cultural heritage

In 2008, ICOMOS was recommended for accreditation among the NGOs who may be invited by the Intergovernmental Committee to provide advisory services in the framework of the UNESCO 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage.

In 2009, ICOMOS was twice invited by UNESCO to propose expert names for potential examiners for nominations to the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding, although ICOMOS was ultimately not requested to evaluate these nominations. The President of the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICICH) participated at the 4<sup>th</sup> Session of the Intergovernmental Committee of this Convention held from 28 September-2 October, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

#### The Hague Convention & Protocols

ICOMOS contributes to this Convention, both as an individual organisation and through participation in the Blue Shield. It contributed to preparing the participation of the Blue Shield at the 4th meeting of the States Parties to the 2nd Protocol of the Hague Convention held from 27 to 29 May 2009 and the Extraordinary meeting of the Committee for the protection of cultural property in the event of armed conflict" which took place on 2 September at UNESCO.

Thanks to the volunteer involvement of Ms Anne Lewis-Loubignac, ICOMOS was able to be present at both the Eighth meeting of the High Contracting Parties to the Hague Convention of 1954 for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and the Third Meeting of the Parties to its Second Protocol held at UNESCO during the period of 23 -25 November 2009.

### Council of Europe

#### **Florence Landscape Convention**

Through its International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes, run jointly with the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA), ICOMOS has regularly participated at the workshops organised for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention. In 2009, it was represented at the eighth meeting in this series organised on the subject of *Landscape and driving forces* in Malmö/Alnarp, Sweden from 8 – 9 October 2009, by Committee member Ms Lionella Scazzosi, who was acting as moderator in one of the workshops.

The President of the Committee, Ms Monica Luengo also participated on behalf of ICOMOS at the International Seminar on Landscape and Education organised from 19-20 November 2009 in Barcelona by the Landscape Observatory of Catalonia with the sponsorship, among other, of the Council of Europe and the European Network of Local and Regional Authorities for the Implementation of the European Landscape Convention (ENELC).



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### Investing in education and training

Co-operation in the preparation of training programmes for specialists in the conservation, protection and enhancement of monuments, groups of buildings and sites is a mission for ICOMOS that is even enshrined in its Statutes. With the increasing complexity and challenges the field has to face up to, such training initiatives will also be crucial in ensuring the generational renewal of specialists at all levels.

#### Committee activities

Besides our International Scientific Committee on Training (CIF) several ICOMOS Committees undertake specific training activities at the national level or in their field.

To name but only a few, ICOMOS Ecuador organised training for municipal civil servants of 22 towns located principally in the Andes Mountains. ICOMOS Hungary teamed up with other NGOs to exchange information on professional training. ICOMOS Ireland's Education & Training Sub-Committee published its report "Sustaining the Built Environment: Review of the state of conservation education and training in Ireland". ICOMOS Korea lectured at the "The Training Program for Cultural Heritage Experts Overseas" in Seoul at the request the Korean National University of Cultural Heritage. ICOMOS New Zealand undertook detailed research into opportunities for training in heritage conservation in New Zealand at tertiary level, providing valuable data on which to base a case for stronger training opportunities. Both ICOMOS Switzerland and ICOMOS UK have special national Training sub-committees – with the UK Committee leading work into starting the revision process of the ICOMOS Guidelines for Education and Training in the Conservation of Monuments, Ensembles and Sites (1993).

The International Scientific Committee on Structures of Architectural Heritage (ISCARSAH) teamed up with several Universities to initiate an Advanced Masters in Structural Analysis of Monuments and Historical Constructions (SAHC) as a joint European Master Program under the Erasmus Mundus program. The Committee on Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH) has been involved with developing curricula and teaching at the new UNESCO Category II centres. The Vernacular Architecture Committee (CIAV) has participated in organizing a training session in recording, enabling participation of 16 young professionals from seven countries and the Committee on Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites (ICIP) participated in a US National Parks Service Interdisciplinary Cultural Heritage interpretation training workshop in May 2009 at Yosemite National Park.

#### Raymond Lemaire Fund for Next Generation Skills



Prof. Raymond Lemaire

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Endorsed in March 2008 by the Executive Committee, the Fund was launched during the Forum for young professionals held at the 16th General Assembly that year.

The objective is to offer bursaries and to establish cooperation arrangements with training organisations, to enable young heritage professionals throughout the whole world to take part in post-graduate courses or traineeships in conservation and restoration. It is aimed to award the first bursary on the occasion of the 2011 General Assembly.



### **World Heritage Training workshops**

For several years now, ICOMOS has striven to involve a growing number of ICOMOS members in World Heritage processes. This implies ensuring that a greater number of ICOMOS members is aware of the complex workings of the World Heritage Convention and ICOMOS' role in these. In this sense, a special session on World Heritage was organised for the representatives of ICOMOS Committees at the Advisory Committee meeting in Malta, in October this year.

Several ICOMOS Committees such as ICOMOS Finland and ICOMOS Korea organised training on World Heritage issues at the national level in 2009.



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### ICOMOS' organisational capacity

ICOMOS works in a changing context: the NGO sector has professionalized; the heritage field encompasses a greater number of actors, subjects and issues; and World Heritage processes have become more complex and demanding. In addition ICOMOS' membership has grown and diversified in terms of geographical spread and professions represented, and the number of International Scientific Committees has increased. All this implies the need to strengthen ICOMOS' organisational capacity and in particular the International Secretariat, providing ICOMOS with the tools needed, in particular in terms of communication, to achieve its mission and objectives, and ensuring high performance by the organisation as a whole to today's standards.

It also involves supporting the National and International Scientific Committees in streamlining and improving their functioning – guided respectively by the Dubrovnik-Valletta Principles and Eger-Xi'an Principles.

### Financial Resources

Set up in 2008, the scope of the Strategic Planning Process Working Group on Securing Financial Stability (SPPWG1) included, beyond the review of the membership fee structure as illustrated below, issues linked to marketing and promoting ICOMOS' public image, management and financial operations as well as potential revenue sources for the organisation, taking into account the current economic climate. The Working Group would also address questions relating to philanthropy, bequests, tax deduction, and the possibility of setting up a High Patronage Committee. It could also invite external financial experts to join it.

### Membership fees

The Strategic Planning Process Working Group on Securing Financial Stability (SPPWG1) was asked as part of a general review of the membership structure, to review the institutional membership system and also, in cooperation with SPPWG2 on Membership, to study mechanisms to ease the financial burden on larger, and thus often more active and successful, ICOMOS Committees, who due to their size are obliged to hire staff and rent premises etc. The overall objective of such mechanisms is ultimately to foster membership growth and the expansion of programme activity.

So as to encourage Institutional membership, from 2009 onwards Institutional members will be provided with 3 membership cards. Information on existing and potential services for each membership category was presented to the Advisory Committee in October 2009 for discussion.

As the Treasurer General reported to the Advisory Committee in October 2009, the late payment of membership fees by many ICOMOS Committees (67 Committees out of 113 had not paid their fees end of August 2009) and the fact that despite creating a 10 € membership fee category, the countries who benefit of this fee had not experienced noticeable membership growth, is of major concern. The 33 countries in the highest membership fee category at 40 €, represent with their 6 053 members, 66% of the total membership and a little over 71% of the total membership fees. Therefore one third of the countries represent 3/4 of the membership fees. A more detailed analysis shows that the eleven largest Committees, taken alone, represented, with their 4332 members and their 162 000 euros in membership fees, 49% of the total of National Committees.

A general review of the membership fee system is therefore envisaged between now and the 2011 General Assembly. Committees not up-to-date with their fees at the end of 2009, will not receive their 2010 membership cards.

### World Heritage Contracts

The revisions introduced to the presentation of the 2010-2011 ICOMOS World Heritage budget, including grading of nominations according to their complexity, were welcomed by the World Heritage Committee. Taking into account the increased workload and to cover previously unfunded tasks, the Committee approved a 16.5 % increase for the 2010-2011 biennium and agreed to align contract dates with the actual work, avoiding ICOMOS pre-financing its World Heritage activities for up to 15 months. To achieve this alignment, an additional contract for September-December 2009 was negotiated amounting to 441 000 US\$. Adjustments to take account of currency fluctuations were also agreed with UNESCO. For further information see the Financial Statement on p. 127.

### Rent increase

Following the announcement of a 22% increase in the rent of the ICOMOS premises at 49-51 rue de la Fédération, in early 2009 the Secretary General successfully negotiated a retroactive 12% reduction with the Regie Immobiliere de la Ville de Paris, from whom we rent our offices, valid from 1 April 2008.

### Financial management and reporting

At the request of the Treasurer General, changes were introduced to the presentation of the ICOMOS budgets – including a monthly projection for each item, and reporting mechanisms including a monthly report (with budget execution in detail and in aggregate per major items) sent to the Treasurer, President and Secretary General with a dashboard providing a rapid overview of the financial situation through specific indicators such as amount of membership fees and contract payments received. Reports also include explanation notes on the monthly variance with regards to the projected situation for all items.

### Human Resources

In 2009, the ICOMOS Secretariat included 7 permanent staff (of which two were part-time), 3 temporary staff (some part time), and welcomed 8 trainees and volunteers. The Secretariat benefits from an international and multilingual team – indispensable in the ICOMOS working environment and considering ICOMOS two working languages. It is the international embassy and public face of ICOMOS, and it regularly welcomes visits from ICOMOS members, representatives from States and partner organisations.

Besides the trainees and volunteers which the International Secretariat hosts at its premises, it also relies on the volunteer work of many ICOMOS elected officers, Committee Presidents and members, and in-kind support of external professionals.

In 2009, it was for example able to rely on the support of Mr François Leblanc in drafting the 2008 Annual report, on Ms Anne Lewis-Loubignac for support in attending UNESCO meetings, and as always on Mr Gordon Dewis, from ICOMOS Canada, who continues to supervise the ICOMOS server space. A full list of staff, volunteers and external Advisors is available in Attachment 2.

### The World Heritage Unit

To meet its many responsibilities in the context of the World Heritage Convention, as outlined in p.148. ICOMOS has created the World Heritage Unit, a small group of professionals within the ICOMOS Secretariat in Paris charged with coordinating ICOMOS' work in line with the contracts established with UNESCO and adhering to a specific work cycle and strict deadlines.

The Unit is made up of a Programme Director and a Senior Specialist, and in 2009 was strengthened by additional Programme Assistants (for a total of 15,5 working months of which some part time). The Unit works in close cooperation with the ICOMOS World Heritage Advisers, for both the evaluations and the State of Conservation reports, and under the guidance of the World Heritage Working Group and in constant liaison with the World Heritage Centre and the other Advisory bodies. In what concerns financial matters i.e. budgets, payments to experts, financial reporting, it is supported by the ICOMOS Accountant.

### The Documentation Centre



The UNESCO-ICOMOS Documentation Centre at ICOMOS International Secretariat in Paris.

*Photo: J. Garcia.*

Run by a professional Documentalist, the Documentation Centre heavily relies on volunteers and interns who are either students from specialised documentation and information management courses or cultural heritage professionals particularly interested in library work. The extensive work, both in-situ and on-line, of the Documentation Centre, and the large number of tools it places at the disposal of the ICOMOS membership are described on page 58.

Besides its interns, it welcomed Dr Celia Martinez from the Universidad de Granada since July 2009 as a long-term research intern. Dr Martinez is undertaking research under the supervision of the International Scientific Committee on Cultural Routes on new trends in the protection and management of Cultural Routes and transnational cultural properties, under a scholarship from the Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology.

Several Documentation Centre interns were sponsored by the Leonardo da Vinci Programme, a vocational education and training programme of the European Union.

### **The Administrative and Financial Unit**

Staffed by the Director, an Administrative Assistant, the Accountant, an Office Clerk and in 2009 also a Project Assistant, it takes care of all issues related to ICOMOS' work not related to World Heritage. It works closely with the Secretary General and Treasurer General, but liaises with all actors in the ICOMOS network and beyond – Executive Committee members, the President of the Advisory Committee, the Scientific Committee Coordinators, Committee Presidents, Working Group and Task Force Chairs, the new Academy, individual members, Partner organisations, the general public, etc. It acts as an information clearinghouse and the organisation's archive.

As always the International Secretariat engaged with the National and International Committees and dealt with the many daily requests for information and helped the Committees and ICOMOS' partners to identify speakers at conferences or participants for meetings. The International Secretariat provided also information and support to professionals interested in setting up new National Committees or in becoming individual members.

Membership management in terms of invoicing, up-dating the membership database and issuing membership cards is taken care of by the Accountant.

The International Secretariat, through its Accountant, manages the accounts of the organisation; prepares budgets and the balance sheet; ensures financial reporting etc. – see under "Financial Resources" for the improvements introduced in 2009. It also takes care of all the contracts and subventions, e.g. with the City of Paris, the French Ministry of Culture and Communication – including preparing the contract requests and justifications.

Another of its major activities is to organise and to support the statutory ICOMOS meetings: meetings of the Executive Committee and its Bureau, the Advisory Committee and the Scientific Council. It produces many of the working documents for such meetings and coordinates and disseminates them. For the meetings in Malta, it received the support of ICOMOS Malta and the Heritage Malta Staff and volunteers.

The Unit also produced the official communications to the ICOMOS Committees, the ICOMOS e-news, set up Internet Forums, up-dated the on-line events calendar and contributed to drafting and finalising the Annual Reports; it provided support for Heritage Alerts and dealt with press requests when these arise. The information on the website has been regularly updated by staff from the Documentation Centre and the Administrative Unit. Improvements to the website and further developments in the use of the information and communication technologies for the benefit of the members, National and Scientific Committees and the ICOMOS statutory bodies will be sought in 2010-2011.

The Unit also follows ICOMOS' involvement in the UNESCO Conventions, other than World Heritage; coordination mechanisms such as the Blue Shield and the LAMMS Convergence group, whose April meeting it hosted at the Secretariat; and follows ICOMOS projects such as the negotiations linked to the new headquarters in Charenton, Euromed Heritage IV, the 18<sup>th</sup> April, the Gilles Nourissier database etc.

In 2009, the International Secretariat notably increased its services to International Scientific Committees by offering to hold and manage their funds – at the end of the year it had made such arrangements with three Committees - Heritage Documentation (CIPA), Twentieth Century Heritage (ISC20C) and Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM). The International Secretariat has since 2001 managed the UNESCO funds destined to support the work of the International Scientific Committee on Underwater Cultural Heritage in the context of the UNESCO Underwater Cultural Heritage Convention. In 2009, it took care of the contracts related to training activities in Thailand and welcomed two ICUCH meetings at the Secretariat. In March 2009, it furthermore managed the elections of the International Scientific Committee on Education and Training.

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#### Statutes and Rules of Procedure

In 2009, the Executive Committee took stock of the situation regarding the up-dating of the ICOMOS Statutes and Rules of Procedure. Thanking the Working Group on Statutes which had met in 2004, under the chairmanship of Mr Werner von Trützschler (Germany), for the useful background work it had already provided, the Executive Committee adopted a staged process differentiating between technical issues and questions related to the broader long-term vision of ICOMOS.

As a first step an analysis would be made of any technical amendments required for bringing the ICOMOS Statutes in conformity with the French laws on associations, including requirements which would open opportunities for tax reductions and sponsorship – vital with regards to making ICOMOS' financial situation more sustainable. Furthermore proposed amendments will seek to establish a clear distinction between the Statutes, which represent an “external document” with legal value for third parties and the Rules of Procedure, which are internally binding for members only. This technical distinction is not clear in the current ICOMOS documents.

In what concerns more fundamental content issues, these will be explored through an institutional process seeking to build consensus along a shared vision for ICOMOS' future in the run up to the General Assembly in 2011, body which is sole empowered to amend the Statutes following prior consultation of members along a set calendar.

A Task Force composed of specialists and members of ICOMOS France, the Secretary General, the Treasurer General, Mr Gideon Koren and Mr Andrew Hall will present a concept paper on those issues to the Executive Committee in 2010, taking also into account more recent developments such as the adoption of the Dubrovnik-Valletta Principles, the new model Statutes for National Committees, and the creation of the ICOMOS Academy.

#### International Secretariat



Current premises of the ICOMOS International Secretariat at 49-51 rue de la Fédération in Paris. *Photo: J. Garcia*

In 2007, the French Ministry of Culture and Communication proposed to relocate ICOMOS' International Secretariat in a historic building in Charenton with the Médiathèque de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine and ICOMOS France.

In 2009, ICOMOS, through its Secretary General, attended the final meeting of the Scientific Committee mandated to study the concept from the perspective of the Médiathèque (Conseil d'Orientation scientifique et culturel) and which had met throughout 2008. One of the outcomes was that ICOM was formally invited to join the project – so further developing the International Heritage House concept.





ICOMOS's future headquarters at Charenton

To launch preparations, exchanges already took place between the Director of the Mediatheque, the ICOMOS and ICOM Documentalists to discuss measures that may have to be implemented in view of a joint management of the different organisation's libraries in the new premises (eg. double copies, databases) and to prepare the move.

In July 2009, following a public competition, Mr Pierre-Louis Faloci was chosen as architect for the Charenton rehabilitation project and until the end of the year, the International Secretariat, with the support and technical advice of the Secretary General and Mr Benjamin Mouton, member of the Executive Committee, held several intensive meetings with the Agence Faloci, the Ministry of Culture and the National Building Works Service (Service National des Travaux) to discuss the architectural options for the future ICOMOS offices down to the last detail. We in particular thank Mr Faloci and his team for their time and for the efforts they made to take into account our needs and wishes. 2009 saw the provisional installation of the Medithèque at Charenton, with rehabilitation works being launched in 2010. Mr Faloci's rehabilitation project and the plans for the ICOMOS offices were presented by ICOMOS France at the meetings in Malta to both the Advisory and Executive Committees.

### **Gilles Nourissier Database**

In 2009, much progress was made towards finalising the project launched by Gilles Nourissier, member of the Executive Committee who had sadly passed away in 2007. Initially conceived as an expert database, following further analysis of the needs of ICOMOS different components, the database's purpose was extended to cover also the membership management needs of the National and Scientific Committees, as well as the International Secretariat – with the aim of facilitating the whole process by allowing Committees to manage their members directly. In constant contact with the technical developers, Neteor run by Mr Marc Simon, the Secretary General and Secretariat worked on developing and adapting the various interfaces to this new purpose, taking into account the many specificities of the ICOMOS membership system and work flow. The expert profiles were improved, additional data fields added on all interfaces, which are now also bilingual, and testing carried out with selected Committees. Following an initial presentation to the Advisory Committee at the Malta meeting, it is expected that the database will be operational in 2010.

### **Language diversity**

As per the ICOMOS Statutes, ICOMOS has four official languages (English, French, Russian and Spanish) and two working languages (English and French). As follow up to the General Assembly Resolution 2008/18 on integrating Spanish in General Assemblies and Committee Meetings, the Executive Committee in 2009 finalised the composition of a Task Force (Ms Angela Rojas, Mr Alfredo Conti and Ms Natalia Turekulova) charged with examining the financial, practical and statutory implications and finding workable solutions, including financial resources, related to the use of ICOMOS' working languages and all the ICOMOS official languages. At the same time, the Strategic Planning Process Working Group 6 on Communication, chaired by Mr Francisco Lopez Morales, was also invited to explore language needs and wishes among the membership through for example an on-line forum.

### Communication tools

#### Visual Identity

Thanks to the volunteer involvement of prestigious French graphic designer, Mr Etienne Robial, ICOMOS was able to develop a new house style in 2009. This initiative aims to reinforce and harmonise the existing identity which is already considered to be very strong. Based on Mr Robial's graphic design and visual identity guide, the Secretariat is now gradually adapting the layout of all its printed and on-line "products", including this Annual Report.

#### The ICOMOS Name and Logo

In 2009, the Secretary General and Treasurer General undertook research on the mechanisms for protecting the ICOMOS name and logo, which in all circumstances remains the ownership of ICOMOS. To this end, reference to the ownership of the ICOMOS name and logo was included in the new draft model statutes developed for National Committees. All Committees who are revising their Statutes, undergoing creation or revitalisation will be asked to include this reference.

Whilst advocacy is an essential function of the ICOMOS network, the use of the ICOMOS name and logo in this context must follow a coherent policy of careful and regulated use, ensuring that our organisation communicates with a single voice. ICOMOS Committees and members were therefore reminded, when communicating with third parties, to make a clear distinction between a personal opinion and the opinion of ICOMOS as a global organisation. Committees in their advocacy activity must make a distinction on whether the opinion given is the opinion of the Committee or an opinion endorsed by the organisation as a whole (i.e. through the Executive Committee, Advisory Committee or General Assembly). Members must respect Article 14 of the Ethical Commitment Statement under which they "may not claim to act or speak on behalf of ICOMOS or one of its committees, without the express authority of the relevant ICOMOS Committee".

#### Annual Report 2007 and 2008

Both Annual reports were presented at the October 2009 Advisory Committee meetings. Thanks go to Mr François Leblanc, Ms Marilyn Truscott and the Secretary General, as well as Ms Brittany Groot, intern at the International Secretariat and Mr Volker Zimmermann, staff member, for their contributions. For further information on ICOMOS' printed and on-line publications in 2009 consult Attachment 4.

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### Prizes and Awards

In 2009, ICOMOS Committees and members were awarded the following prizes and awards for their actions in favour of cultural heritage conservation:

- **Ms Laretna T. Adishakti** (ICOMOS Indonesia) won the 14th Nikkei Asia Prize for Culture. Through her heritage organizations Jogja Heritage Society and Indonesian Heritage Trust as well as the University Gadjah Mada, she spearheaded, among other, campaigns to protect the city of Yogyakarta, following recent earthquakes.
- **Prof. Chahryar Adle** (ICOMOS Iran's Foreign Affairs Representative) was awarded the UNESCO Five Continents Medal, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to UNESCO's General and Regional Histories.
- **Gustavo Araoz, President of ICOMOS**, received two awards in the same year:
  - The 2009 Beinecke-Reeves Distinguished Achievement Award in Historic Preservation (University of Florida, Centre for World Heritage Research and Stewardship). This annual award recognizes an individual who, with a connection to the state of Florida, exemplifies the spirit of historic preservation and has demonstrated dedication to the field.
  - The organisation "Herencia Cultural Cubana" (Cuban Cultural Heritage) made him an Honorary Member in recognition and appreciation of his dedication to the preservation of the historic and cultural values of the Cuban nation.
- **Mr Juan Benito Artigas** (ICOMOS Mexico) received an award from the Society for the Defence of the Artistic Treasures of Mexico for his research on the history of Mexican architecture.
- **Mr Dinu Bumbaru** (ICOMOS Canada), long time member and former Secretary General of ICOMOS (2002 – 2008) was invested as Member of the Order of Canada.
- **Mr Angel Cabeza** (ICOMOS Chile), Vice President of the International Committee on Intangible Heritage, received the 2009 National Monuments Conservation Award given each year by the Consejo Nacional de Monumentos de Chile, in recognition of his achievements as Executive Director of this institution for over a decade, and his outstanding contribution to international discussions on heritage and its role in contemporary society.
- **Ms Jinshi Fan** (ICOMOS China) on the occasion of the 60th Anniversary of the People's Republic of China, received the prestigious "100 Most Moving Figures Since the Founding of New China" Prize for her outstanding work over the past 50 years on the conservation of the Mogao Caves, inscribed on the World Heritage list.
- **Mr Alvaro Gomez Ferrer Bayo** (ICOMOS Spain and CIVVIH) was made Honorary President of CIVVIH during its 2009 Annual Meeting and was also honoured by the Greek Ministry for Culture.
- **Mr Ken Horrigan** (ICOMOS Australia) won a Churchill Memorial Trust Fellowship. His research on the relationship between heritage conservation and sustainability, took him to Scotland, England, Canada and the USA.
- **Mr John Hurd** (ISCEAH President) was made a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries (London).
- **Ms Pamela Jerome** (ISCEAH Vice President) won five awards for the conservation of the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in New York, carried out by her conservation firm.
- **Ms Chris Johnson, Mr David Young, Ms Meredith Walker** (ICOMOS Australia) were among the award winners at the National Trust (NSW) Energy Australia Awards in Heritage Week 2009. Ms Walker received the Lifetime Achievement Award. Several individual and corporate ICOMOS members also received Highly Commended certificates.
- **Mr Jukka Jokilehto** (honorary member of ICOMOS Finland) was honoured for his lifetime achievements through the publication "Conserving the authentic: essays in honour of Mr Jukka Jokilehto" in the ICCROM Conservation Studies series. The publication recognizes his contribution and dedication to the conservation profession, in developing both theory and practice.

- **Mr Armen Khazaryan** (ICOMOS Armenia) received the prestigious Makarevsky prize for his research on the architecture of Echmiadzine Cathedral.
- **Ms Danuta Klosek-Kozłowska** (ICOMOS Poland and CIVVIH) received awards from the Polish Ministry of Infrastructure and the Rector of Warsaw Technical University for her publication: "Protection of the Cultural Values of Towns and Urban Design (2007)".
- **ICOMOS Korea** was awarded the Meritorious Prize by the Cultural Heritage Administration of Korea for the distinguished services rendered concerning the inscription of Joseon Royal Tombs on the UNESCO World Heritage List.
- **Mr Christoph Machat** (Vice President of ICOMOS Germany and also member of the international Executive Committee) received the Georg Dehio Prize, awarded by the German Cultural Forum for Eastern Europe, for his lifelong commitment to and achievements in researching, documenting and preserving the architectural heritage of Transylvania (Siebenbürgen).
- **Mr Michael Petzet** (President of ICOMOS Germany) received the "Jan Zachwatowicz Prize".
- **Ms Christiane Schmückle-Mollard** (ICOMOS France), former Vice President of ICOMOS international, was made Officier de la Légion d'honneur.
- **Mr Jan Tajchman and Mr Marian Arszynski** (ICOMOS Poland) received the prestigious annual "Jan Zachwatowicz Prize".
- **Mr Russell E. Train** (ICOMOS US) received the ICOMOS US 2009 "Ann Webster Smith Award for International Heritage Achievement" for his leadership in creating the World Heritage Convention adopted by UNESCO in 1972. He advised two American presidents that an international trust should be established to preserve the world's outstanding scenic and historic sites for the benefit of all the world's citizens. The United States was the first signatory to ratify the Convention, which has resulted in greater protection, conservation, and appreciation of sites around the world to date. The Ann Webster Smith award honours leadership in international cultural heritage conservation.
- **Prof. Dr. Gábor Winkler** (former President of ICOMOS Hungary) received the prestigious Commander's Cross in the Order of Merit of the Republic of Hungary for his research, work and teaching in the field of architecture.
- **Mr Sergio Zaldivar** (ICOMOS Mexico) received the "Federico Sescosse Prize" awarded by ICOMOS Mexico, for his constant efforts in the preservation of monuments, in particular the structural and sub-excavation works at Mexico City Cathedral.



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## Obituaries

In 2009, ICOMOS lost several eminent members and pioneers:

**Mr Masoud Azarnoosh**, member of ICOMOS Iran

**Mr Stef Binst**, member of the Vlaanderen-Brussel Section of ICOMOS Belgium

**Ms Maria Adriana Castro**, former President of ICOMOS Brazil and former Director of the Bahia Cultural Heritage Department

**Mr Moussa Cisse dit Papa**, member of ICOMOS Mali and President of Djenne Patrimoine

**Mr Jacek Cydzik**, member of ICOMOS Poland

**Mr Armen Haghazarian**, member of ICOMOS Armenia and Founding Director of the organisation Research on Armenian Architecture (RAA)

**Mr Milan Ivanovski**, founding member of ICOMOS Macedonia

**Mr Garth Lampart**, former President of ICOMOS Jamaica

**Mr Derek Linstrum**, long time ICOMOS member and editor of the ICOMOS Journal "Monumentum", Honorary Fellow of the Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies, University of York and ICCROM lecturer

**Mr Emmanuel Lopez**, member of the "Grands Sites" working group of ICOMOS France, Director General of the French Conservatoire du Littoral

**Mr Jerko Marasovic**, member of ICOMOS Croatia

**Mr Mohammad-Amin Mirfendereski**, member of ICOMOS Iran

**Mr Kuniaki Oi**, member of ICOMOS Japan

**Mr Ismet Okyay**, member of ICOMOS Turkey and CIVVIH, Professor of urban conservation at Istanbul Technical University and Mimar Sinan University

**Mr Lénin Ortiz Arciniegas**, Founder and first Secretary of ICOMOS Ecuador, Professor at the Faculty of Philosophy of the Universidad Central

**Mr Michel Parent**, President of ICOMOS from 1981 to 1987, former President of the World Heritage Committee, Inspector General of Historic Monuments and Director of the French Centre for Research on Historic Monuments

**Mr Léon Pressouyre**, ICOMOS Coordinator for the World Heritage Convention (1980 and 1990) and Professor emeritus at the University of Paris I – Sorbonne

**Mr Jean Prum**, vice-president of ICOMOS Luxembourg

**Ms Hristina Staneva**, President of ICOMOS Bulgaria since 2002, member of the Executive Committee since 2005, Vice-President of ICLAFI and associated member of CIAV

**Mr Felipe Solis**, member of ICOMOS Mexico and General Manager of the National Museum of Anthropology

**Mr Yoshiyuki Ushikawa**, member of ICOMOS Japan

**Mr Mohammad Hosein Vafi**, member of ICOMOS Iran

**Ms Tytti Valto**, member of ICOMOS Finland

**Mr Gustavo Manrique Zermeño**, member of ICOMOS Mexico, architect and historian



## National and International Scientific Committees

### National Committees

In 2009, ICOMOS has 113 National Committees. Their Presidents are de facto members of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee, and each Committee is entitled to a maximum of 18 votes at General Assemblies. Space does not permit an account of all their many activities in 2009, but here are some of them. A complete list of National Committees can be found in the Annexes of this report.

#### Argentina



La Plata Cathedral

The National Committee has 101 members. It held its annual meeting with elections in San Juan. The board held 6 business meetings and discussed issues related to administration, organization of activities, and policies for inclusion of new members. ICOMOS Argentina had 19 representatives in 14 International Scientific Committees. It held 3 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the state of historic urban landscapes with 150 participants, 8 lectures and a vivid discussion on new methodologies for conserving and managing urban heritage. The second one was dedicated to modern heritage, focusing on the works of Francisco Salamone, a well-known engineer who worked in the 1930s in the province of Buenos Aires.

The main issues discussed were how to protect Salamone's works and to integrate them in cultural tourism itineraries. The third meeting was devoted to heritage and tourism, with 4 lectures and 17 papers; the main issues discussed were the opportunities and threats of tourism as a tool for local development and the relationship between tourism and heritage. President Alfredo Conti represented the Committee at the ICOMOS Advisory Committee meeting in Malta.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised in partnership with the Direction of Cultural Heritage of the Province of Buenos Aires, a series of 7 lectures intended to raise the level of awareness of the public to heritage preservation. A visit was organised to heritage sites in La Plata and surroundings and a public closing ceremony including a press conference concluded the event. The visits focused on scientific heritage; 450 people attended the meetings.

The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Argentina. Throughout the year, the Committee talked to competent authorities in relation with the following cases: urban park of the city of La Plata, "Miralrío" estate in the city of San Isidro, heritage buildings in the city of Salta and the historic centre of the city of Cordoba.

ICOMOS Argentina published "Paisajes históricos urbanos: metodología para la gestión del patrimonio urbano" (Historic Urban Landscapes: methodology for the management of urban heritage) and "El uso turístico del patrimonio como recurso para el desarrollo local" (The use of heritage in tourism as a resource for local development). Both publications on CDs were sent to the ICOMOS Documentation Centre in Paris and are also available on the Committee's website.

The National Committee is in the process of re-organising its thematic scientific working groups at national level. This includes the revision of the representation of the Committee in the ICOMOS International Scientific Committees (ISCs) and the invitation to national experts to become members of ISCs. The recruitment of new members, especially in provinces where ICOMOS has weak representation is another current policy of the Committee.

The National Committee has agreements of cooperation with:

- School of Architecture, National University of San Juan.
- School of Architecture and Design, Catholic University of La Plata.
- Cultural Institute of the Province of Buenos Aires.
- National Council for Scientific and Technical Research.

ICOMOS Argentina has approached national authorities with a view to have a more active participation in the World Heritage process at national level. Some members are involved in the management of World Heritage Sites. The Committee hosts a website at: <http://www.icomosargentina.com.ar/>

## Armenia



Committee meeting in Istanbul, 8-10 October 2009

ICOMOS Armenia has 61 members. It held its annual meeting in Erevan. The board held 3 business meetings. ICOMOS Armenia has 5 representatives in 5 International Scientific Committees. The Committee held an open meeting for heritage professionals to discuss various aspects of the conservation of the medieval site of Ani. 50 participants examined the site's current condition and discussed options for the future. Emphasis was placed on how Ani's religious heritage was treated during the past 5 years and how current planning and management issues should be dealt with. Participants discussed the future and the conservation of Ani's religious heritage with a focus on Armenian traditional architecture and construction methods. The debate emphasized the necessity for Armenian architects to participate in Ani's restoration efforts. Correspondence was exchanged between ICOMOS Turkey and ICOMOS Armenia on this subject.

On International Heritage Day, the Committee organised a press conference and an exhibition entitled "Armenia, Land Of Ancient Astronomy"; it was followed by a visit to the Byurakan Observatory and a local TV station broadcasted a special programme on Armenia's astronomical heritage. Preventive conservation of cultural heritage was one of the main activities of the Committee with two difficult cases, the Church of St. Guevork of Mughni in Tbilissi and the Monastery of Horomos. ICOMOS Armenia contributed to Armenia's Tentative List for World Heritage and published an article on the implementation of the World Heritage Convention in a national newspaper. Current topics concern the translation into Armenian of international conservation charters and other instruments.

The National Committee signed a cooperation agreement with a national NGO (Connaissions les monuments d'Arménie) that will ensure professional consultation concerning the interpretation of Armenia's most important monuments, including World Heritage Sites. ICOMOS Armenia was saddened by the loss of founding member Armen Hakhnazarvan.

## Australia



Participants in the Fortifications tour of Port Philip Heads for International Day for Monuments and Sites

The National Committee has 513 members. The National Committee in Australia held four meetings and its Annual General Meeting with the elections in Adelaide. The range of issues that were covered in the Executive Committee meetings over the 2009 year covered many national and international issues including: the Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act review; changes to state based heritage legislation and in particular the worsening environment for cultural heritage conservation in NSW; World Heritage issues in Australia including the Convict Sites serial nomination; the need for increased funding for cultural heritage generally; strategies for community engagement in cultural heritage; Australian involvement in International Scientific Committees; member services and ways to add value for members; the 2009 conference and forward planning for the 2010 Annual Conference; feasibility assessment of an Australian bid to host a General Assembly; the Burra Charter review process; the ICOMOS Australia Website redesign; preparation of a Policy and Procedures manual that will enhance the efficiency of the Committee and facilitate the handover process from

one Committee to the next; a review of the role and range of ICOMOS Australia working groups and committees; the updating and finalization of Australia ICOMOS disaster guidelines; ICOMOS Australia regional and international engagement and ICOMOS Australia publications.

On behalf of its membership, ICOMOS Australia made formal submissions and representations in relation to Commonwealth funding for heritage, the heritage component of the government stimulus package; the EPBC Act review, the review of underwater cultural heritage provisions; heritage legislation changes in NSW; the Commonwealth Government's initiative to engage with the 'Third Sector'; the review of the Commonwealth Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act; and the possibility of government support for a future General Assembly to be held in Australia. 79 members participate in 25 International Scientific Committees' activities. Seven ICOMOS Australia members attended the Advisory Committee and Scientific Council meetings in Malta.

ICOMOS Australia held more than ten open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The annual ICOMOS Australia Conference, (Un)loved Modern, was held in Sydney in July in association with key international organizations engaged in the conservation of 20th century heritage including ICOMOS Australia, DOCOMOMO Australia, the ICOMOS International scientific committee on 20th Century Heritage, APT Australian Chapter, the Australian Institute of Architects and the International Union of Architects. The (Un) Loved Modern conference examined the challenges facing the conservation of 20th Century heritage and approaches to conserving 20th Century heritage in the face of government and public indifference or dislike. The conference brought together 281 professionals from twelve countries. As well as the keynote speakers, conference attendees included Gustavo Araoz, President of ICOMOS; Maristella Casciato, Chair of DOCOMOMO International; and Louise Cox, President of the International Union of Architects.

On International Monuments Day, celebrating Heritage and Science, the State representatives of the Executive Committee organised presentations and visits to the following sites:

- New South Wales - Observatory Hill, special guided tour of the historic Sydney Observatory.
- Victoria - Tour of the fortifications around Port Phillip Heads
- Western Australia - St Bartholomew's Chapel, East Perth Cemeteries
- Queensland - Talks and demonstrations on the restoration of windows from St Stephens Cathedral, Brisbane.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Australia members in the ACT held a talk for members: The Future of World Heritage—Reflecting on the UNESCO Convention by Dr Greg Terrill, Assistant Secretary, International Heritage and Policy in the Department of Environment, Water and the Arts, World Heritage Commissioner. ICOMOS Australia hosted the ICOMOS mission reviewing Australia's current World Heritage List nomination; The Australian Convict Sites. A seminar on Australia and the World Heritage process was held for members in conjunction with the Annual General Meeting.

Four volumes of ICOMOS Australia refereed journal 'Historic Environment' were distributed in 2009:

- Historic Environment Vol 21:1 Global climate change and cultural heritage
- Historic Environment Vol 21:2 Thinking rail: lessons from the past, the way of the future
- Historic Environment Vol 21:3 Heritage and Development
- Historic Environment Vol 22:1 Extreme Heritage

The ICOMOS Australia Annual Report was produced in November and is available on the website.

On the subject of current topics, the Executive Committee refreshed and activated its sub-committees, reference groups and working groups. Burra Charter workshops were held in Canberra (ACT) and Adelaide (South Australia) and further workshops are planned in other states during 2010. A web based questionnaire was run in September/October 2009 and the data has been analysed and reported. Reports have been produced on most components of the program including Undertaking Studies, Cultural Significance and Conservation Policy, and the Code of Ethics of Co-existence.

ICOMOS Australia members were among the award winners at the National Trust (NSW) Energy Australia Awards in Heritage Week. They included Ms Chris Johnston and Mr David Young, and Ms Meredith Walker who received the Lifetime Achievement Award. Several individual and corporate ICOMOS members also received Highly Commended certificates. Mr Ken Horrigan, ICOMOS member from Queensland, won a Churchill Memorial Trust Fellowship in early 2009. The Committee hosts a website at: [www.icomos.org/australia](http://www.icomos.org/australia).

## Austria

The National Committee has 89 members. It held its General Assembly in Vienna. The board held one meeting and discussed various administrative topics. ICOMOS Austria had 13 representatives in 10 International Scientific Committees. The Austrian Section of the Blue Shield was founded; meetings were held concerning the Monitoring of Austrian World Heritage Sites; the International Bodensee-Symposium was organised by ICOM Deutschland, ICOM Switzerland and ICOM Austria, in Cooperation with ICOMOS Germany, ICOMOS Switzerland and ICOMOS Austria on the subject of "Museen und Denkmäler – Historisches Erbe und Kulturtourismus". The President represented the Committee at the ICOMOS Advisory Committee meeting in Malta and several other international meetings.

The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Austria during the year. The most problematic cases were Vienna, Wachau and Semmering, threatened by inappropriate alterations. As a result the authorities decided to further examine the cases and to postpone decisions related to these alterations. Concerning World Heritage related activities ICOMOS Austria has its own Commission for the Revision of Austria's Tentative List. ICOMOS Austria has initiated actions for the creation of a common European Tentative List. The Committee undertakes significant year-round monitoring of World Heritage Sites and hosts a website at: [www.icomos.at](http://www.icomos.at)

## Belgium



Lead sheathing of the Tournai Cathedral,  
World Heritage Site

The Belgian National Committee has 401 members. It held the Annual meeting of its Federal Board (18 members, 9 from each Committee) in Bruxelles. The ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel Committee held an Annual meeting with election of the President and 12 Board members. The Board held 5 meetings and discussed organizational matters as well as heritage related issues, the activation of the Scientific Committees and membership, nominations to the World Monuments Fund and contacts with ICOMOS Netherlands. The ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel Committee has considerably rejuvenated its Board with 6 new members. Further to frequent reports of vandalism in cemeteries, ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel raised the authorities' awareness to this more and more frequent societal problem. ICOMOS Wallonie-Bruxelles held its Annual meeting with election of

two new Board members. The Board held 13 meetings and discussed various issues notably those related to economic energy standards that apply to built cultural heritage in Europe and the link between sustainable development policies and cultural heritage; the European Heritage trademark; the theft of metal from cemetery monuments; proposing the support of the IWB Committee to national authorities responsible for World Heritage and management of the Raymond Lemaire International Fund. ICOMOS Belgium has 47 members on 20 International Scientific Committees.

ICOMOS Belgium organised in Brussels a public seminar on the subject of documentation of Belgium's heritage in collaboration with the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee CIPA-Heritage Documentation. There were 200 attendees. In addition to discussing the current state and the history of documenting Belgium's heritage, this meeting exposed participants to the latest documentation technologies. Discussions focused also on the objectives of heritage documentation and optional methodologies available to conservators and technicians. The proceedings should be published during 2010.

ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel organised 3 seminars for its members. They were essentially site visits to places under restoration in Brussels and in Flanders. Participants had the opportunity to discuss topics of current interest with architects, historians and managers involved in these projects. These ranged from the study of mural painting colours, to maritime heritage and structural stabilization of masonry buildings.

ICOMOS Wallonie-Bruxelles organised 5 seminars for its members. 4 were technical site visits in the Brussels and Wallonie region. Participants had the opportunity to discuss topics of current interest with architects, historians and managers involved in these projects. These ranged from urban archaeological heritage, to architecturally integrated art pieces, interdisciplinary conservation work, the reuse of cultural heritage, and the conservation of heritage with both cultural and natural attributes.

During International Heritage Day, ICOMOS Belgium organised a press conference followed by a visit to the Belgium Royal Observatory at Uccle. Concerning World Heritage activities, ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Bruxelles organised a site visit to one of the houses recently restored on la Grand-Place de Bruxelles, inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1998, and ICOMOS Wallonie-Bruxelles organised a one-day information and site visit to Notre-Dame de Tournai cathedral, inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2000. 38 members participated. Again during the year, the Committee organised a seminar in Brussels on the management of World Heritage properties in the Brussels-capital region. 36 members participated. During the year, the Committee followed closely a proposed hotel development project that could negatively impact the Tournay Cathedral World Heritage site. Two Committee members also were part of the technical mission to evaluate the nomination of Major Mining Sites of Wallonie.

ICOMOS Wallonie-Bruxelles published 3 bulletins: No. 34 devoted to African heritage; No. 35 devoted to ICOMOS International and other National Committees and No. 36-37 devoted to the Meuse Valley heritage and an organised trip with ICOMOS France. ICOMOS Belgium was saddened by the loss of Mr. Stef Binst, member of the ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel Committee. ICOMOS Belgium hosts a web site at: <http://belgium.icomos.org>.

## Bosnia and Herzegovina

The National Committee has 13 members. It held its General Assembly with elections in Sarajevo. ICOMOS Bosnia and Herzegovina held one annual meeting and reviewed reports of previous activities and the action plan for 2010. The Board held one meeting and discussed issues of common interest concerning the preservation and management of cultural heritage at national level.

Members of ICOMOS Bosnia and Herzegovina participated in 2 seminars that dealt with different aspects of the protection of cultural heritage. The first one was held in Sarajevo and discussed the state of non-material cultural heritage in Bosnia and Herzegovina. President of ICOMOS Bosnia and Herzegovina Ms Vjekoslava S. Simcic presented her work and 4 other members participated in seminar sessions. In the framework of the discussions on the topic of "Protection and Promotion of Non-material Cultural Heritage in Bosnia and Herzegovina", the members discussed ways of organizing a preliminary list of intangible cultural heritage that should be protected as an authentic tradition-based product of Bosnia and Herzegovina. An emphasis was put on the programme "Young people and Heritage" and how to encourage research and learning about intangible heritage. Ms. Angela Petrovic, member of ICOMOS Bosnia and Herzegovina, participated to the 4<sup>th</sup> Regional Conference on Integrated Approach to the Protection of Cultural Heritage. Participants and lecturers gathered in Banja Luka to improve and exchange knowledge on theory and practice and also to present new methods and technologies for the protection of cultural and natural heritage. The Conference was lead by a group of renowned international experts, who were also the moderators for each thematic area.

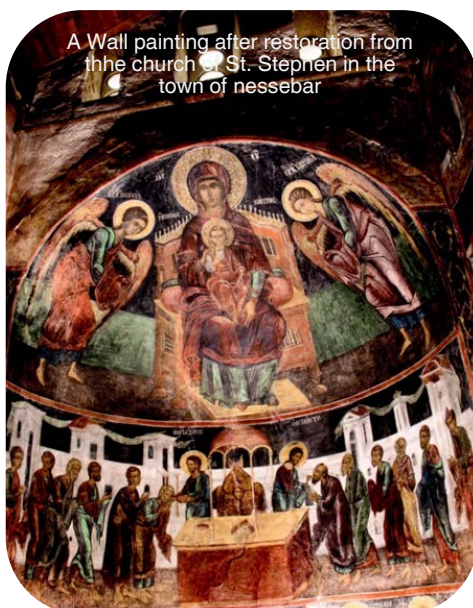
The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Bosnia and Herzegovina. Committee members gave an expert opinion on the Project of reconstruction of Hotel "Ruza" and on interventions proposed for the Old Bridge Area of the Old City of Mostar. Especially problematic was the case of Jajce waterfall - natural heritage at risk. The project contractor asked ICOMOS Bosnia and Herzegovina to provide a professional evaluation of "Project of Rehabilitation of Waterbeds and Waterfall of the Pliva River – Jajce". Members of the Committee prepared an expert opinion on the Project and continued demanding for protection and acceptable interventions in the Jajce waterfall area. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Bosnia and Herzegovina gave an opinion on the nomination of the Natural and Architectural Ensemble of Jajce to UNESCO's World Heritage List and recommended withdrawing the Jajce nomination.

## Brazil

The National Committee in Brazil held two meetings and the Annual General Meeting with the elections for Board members (2009-2012) in Curitiba. Several members participated in the ICOMOS Advisory and Scientific Council meetings in Malta. Members participated in meetings to nominate representatives to the Cultural Commission that supports the activities of the Ministry of Culture. This Commission held 12 meetings during the year.

The National Committee organised the symposium "Heritage and Science" in Curitiba; members participated in other events and activities: 13<sup>th</sup> Congress of the Brazilian Association of Conservators and Restorers in Porto Alegre; MINCULTURA meeting with the Minister of Culture in Rio Grande do Sul; 2<sup>nd</sup> National Meeting on Industrial Heritage: From Industrialization To Deindustrialization: Points Of View On Safeguarding And Conserving Industrial Heritage – TICCIH, Sao Paulo; 6<sup>th</sup> Annual meeting of the Mexican Scientific Committee on 20<sup>th</sup> Century architecture, Saltillo, Mexico; IPHAN's Seminar on Historic Routes and Troops, Lapa; 62<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Cultural Heritage Council of IPHAN in Sao Joao d'El Rei; IPHAN's Meeting of Specialists and UNESCO's World Heritage Centre, Rio de Janeiro, to discuss Urban Historic Landscapes; 1<sup>st</sup> Cultural Heritage Forum in Ouro Preto. Concerning World Heritage matters, the Committee discussed a protocol for communications between the World Heritage Centre and UNESCO in Brazil.

## Bulgaria



ICOMOS Bulgaria has 149 members. It held two Annual meetings: in September and December. During the first Annual meeting there were elections for a president and for one member of the board. The board held four meetings and discussed the adoption of new rules for the activities of the National Committee; the official position on the changes in the law on cultural heritage; the organization of a competition for the conservation, restoration and social use of two churches in the town of Nessebar. ICOMOS Bulgaria has 5 representatives in 5 International Scientific Committees.

The second Annual meeting was held in December 2009. Prof Elka Bakalova presented her experience in monitoring of World Cultural Heritage Sites "Georgia - monitoring mission of UNESCO/ICOMOS". The Committee organised a scientific meeting, which was attended by members of the association. Prof. Todor Krastev presented the project "Underground museum of Philipopolis". Arch. Vera Kolarova and Arch. Romyana Proikova presented their project "Ancient Forum Philipopolis - Issues for its conservation".

For the celebration of International Monuments Day, the Bulgarian National Committee organised a visit for its members to the Thracian tomb near the village of Aleksandrovo, Haskovo district, the Museum of Thracian art. As part of the trip there was a visit to the church of Assumption in the village of Uzondzovo, municipality of Haskovo. Built as a mosque in the early years of the Ottoman rule, it was converted into a Christian church in 1906. The last visit of the program was at a nympeum (Sanctuary of nymphs from II cent. AD), which is the only one of its type in Bulgaria. The National Committee published two works:

- Conservation of Monuments in Ancient Plovdiv Reserve, Bulgaria.
- The Church of St Demetrius in Boboshevo

## Canada



Participants to the ICOMOS  
Canada Annual Assembly

ICOMOS Canada has 196 members. During 2009 it focused its attention on engaging in a reform of its organisation, and the complex and lengthy process of closing on the financial and administrative exercise of acting as the host of the successful 16<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of ICOMOS in Québec City in September and October 2008. The Board of Directors met in Montreal at the world-known Canadian Centre for Architecture on the occasion of its 20th anniversary and in Hamilton on the occasion of the joint conference on Industrial Heritage with our partner TICCIH Canada.

The Hamilton Conference and Annual meeting were a great success from a professional and scientific standpoint, and enabled ICOMOS Canada to contribute to the creation by TICCIH Canada of a national network on the conservation issues of the various aspects of the heritage of industry. It provided an opportunity to present and expose for comment, the draft of the ICOMOS-TICCIH Joint Principles for the Conservation of Industrial Heritage Sites, Structures and Areas. Also tabled at the Annual General Meeting were the ICOMOS Ethical Commitment Statement and a set of draft resolutions,

including one on the implementation of the World Heritage Convention in Canada aimed at improving ICOMOS Canada's knowledge of concepts and procedures in that context. ICOMOS Canada was present at other scientific and public conferences, bringing attention to the international aspects of conservation practice. One such event was a lecture on ICOMOS and the World Heritage process given in Dawson City, Yukon on the occasion of Doors Open Dawson events. Also, on the occasion of the International Monuments Day, ICOMOS Canada continues to prepare thematic Learning Modules for teachers and trainees on the theme proposed by ICOMOS. In addition, in 2009, ICOMOS Canada's Comité Francophone cooperated with Heritage Montreal in a programme of free public activities involving archaeological museum and reserves as well as universities with their botanical, nuclear, medical and geophysical research facilities and heritage.

In 2009, ICOMOS Canada put a strong priority on the reform of its organisation to turn it towards more effective and forward-looking management. This is a request of its members. The Board of Directors appointed a special taskforce to assess the current structure, to look at models in other National Committees and to propose a reviewed set of by-laws for 2010. This valuable exercise looked at what makes ICOMOS and its National Committees different from other heritage organisations. Documents such as the Statutes of ICOMOS (1978), the ICOMOS Ethical Commitment Statement (2002) and the World Heritage Convention (1972) proved very helpful in appreciating this distinction, as well as the interdisciplinary and intercultural essence of ICOMOS.

The International Secretariat of ICOMOS, instructed by the Officers, referred back to ICOMOS Canada a draft strategic partnership agreement with the Université de Montréal, one of the most active French-speaking in the world with 70 000 students and 7000 professors with extensive teaching, research and cooperation programme in building, urban, archaeological and landscape conservation. This put an unfortunate and disappointing cold end to ground-breaking and successful efforts we had engaged in 2008 with the Secretary General of ICOMOS following the appeal made by the Executive Committee to National and International Committees assembled in Pretoria in 2007, to propose and explore strategic partnerships with leading academic institutions. ICOMOS Canada hopes ICOMOS reaffirms its interest in developing cooperation links with university for the benefit of conservation practice and to ensure ICOMOS welcomes the young generation of professionals among its members. ICOMOS Canada's long time member Dinu Bumbaru was invested to the Order of Canada in 2009.

On International Monuments Day, ICOMOS Canada through its Comité francophone cooperated with Héritage Montréal in hosting a programme of public activities linked to the theme of Heritage of Sciences in Montreal. This was the first time such a concerted effort was made to valorise the International Monuments Day. The programme included visits to the archaeological reserves, nuclear or medical research facilities, and the palaeontology of building stones in down town. Public lectures exposed the heritage of science in the World Heritage List and in Montreal as well as the mysteries of a 17th C. sundial found in archaeological digs in Old Montreal. The printed and electronic media shared interest for the subject and the 18th April. The General Assembly of ICOMOS Canada discussed the role of the National Committee in relation to the implementation of the World Heritage. Issues like the cases of Grand Pré and the Klondike, both on Canada's Tentative List, and the conservation of World Heritage Site of Quebec, were raised. ICOMOS Canada Officers met with Parks Canada to initiate discussion towards a joint cooperation on World Heritage issues in Canada.

A selection of papers from the Scientific Symposium of the 16th General Assembly of ICOMOS which ICOMOS Canada hosted in Québec in 2008 was published by the Université Laval and launched in Hamilton on the occasion of the joint conference of TICCIH Canada and ICOMOS Canada on industrial heritage. ICOMOS Canada hosts a website at: <http://canada.icomos.org/>

## Chile

The National Committee in Chile has 32 members. It held 4 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 5 board members in April. The board held 4 meetings and discussed the situation of World Heritage Sites in Chile. ICOMOS Chile has 7 representatives in 7 International Scientific Committees.

During the year, ICOMOS Chile paid particular attention to the state of conservation of Valparaíso, UNESCO World Heritage City, threatened by Oscar Niemeyer's project of a building inside a historic city jail. The Committee hosts a web site at: <http://www.icomoschile.blogspot.com> All the Committee's publications, information and discussions are available in digital format.

## China



Accompanied by the president of State Administration of Cultural Heritage Shan Jixiang, President Gustavo Araoz and ICOMOS experts visited the earthquake affected sites in Sichuan, July 2009

ICOMOS China has 624 members. Co-organised with other national and international institutions, ICOMOS China held 3 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the challenges and experience in the conservation of large-scale archaeological sites in China with over 150 participants, 32 lectures and a vivid discussion on the present state and future of the specific type of heritage sites. The Liangzhu Consensus on Archaeological Parks was adopted.

The second seminar laid special emphasis on the post-earthquake rescue and restoration of cultural heritage. ICOMOS President Gustavo Araoz and ICOMOS experts visited the earthquake affected areas in Sichuan Province, and at the end of the seminar the “Chengdu

Resolution” was adopted. ICOMOS China was invited to coordinate the preparation of a contribution to the ICOMOS Heritage Toolkit on “Earthquake Preparedness and Recovery Practice for Cultural Heritage Properties” and participate in the development of a rapid mobilisation heritage expert team to be deployed around the world in response to major disasters impacting on cultural heritage. The third seminar focused on the monitoring of cultural heritage sites, how it was done in the past in Chinese World Heritage sites, and how it should be better planned and implemented in the future. In the framework of the “Monitoring and Checking Principles for World Cultural Heritage Sites in China”, participants discussed how to develop effective working guidelines for the monitoring of world cultural heritage sites in China. An excursion was organised to Mount Wuyi and Fujian Tulou, two World Heritage sites; experts offered their observations and comments on their state of conservation, and their reflections were included in a post-seminar monitoring report.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised the 4<sup>th</sup> Wuxi Forum on Chinese Cultural Heritage Conservation, and the theme of the forum this year was “The Scientific Conservation of Cultural Routes”, 140 scholars, experts and heritage professionals participated in the discussion, with 43 papers submitted. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS China contributed to the Silk Road trans-boundary serial nomination work by organising an international meeting in Xi’an, China, with representatives of the 5 fellow nominating Central Asian countries, other interested state parties on the silk road and related international institutions, and ICOMOS China has been providing major guidance, coordination and technical assistance to fellow state parties for this joint undertaking. As one of the co-organisers, it participated to an international seminar on “Advancing Sustainable Tourism in World Heritage Sites” in Dunhuang, China. ICOMOS China provided consultations to the World Heritage nomination of four other Chinese sites, in the different stages of preparation of their nomination dossier. Three Journals were published during the year; they focused on specific themes, including reporting comprehensively the results of the 16<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of ICOMOS, the conclusions of the Scientific Conservation of Cultural Routes seminar, and the collection of all papers submitted for the Hangzhou Forum on Large-Scale Archaeological Site Conservation in China. ICOMOS China hosts a website at: <http://www.icomoschina.org.cn/>

## Costa Rica

ICOMOS Costa Rica has 55 members. The National Committee in Costa Rica held 2 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 1 board member. The board held 2 meetings and discussed administrative issues. ICOMOS Costa Rica has 4 representatives in 3 International Scientific Committees. ICOMOS Costa Rica held 1 open seminar that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The seminar discussed the state of Guayabo de Turrialba with 26 participants, 2 lectures and a vivid discussion on the present state and on the future of the site. A special emphasis was given to how the heritage of Costa Rica has been treated in the past 20 years and how the current issues of planning and management should be approached. In the framework of the "Declaratoria de Monumento de la Ingenieria", the members discussed the future and conservation of Ingenieria Hidraulica with the help of 1 introductory lecture that focused on their traditions and urban heritage. In June the members gathered again with more participants and more lecturers from Centroamerica in Liberia, Guanacaste, to highlight the conservation methods in Costa Rica and their application in other regions of the world.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised two photography competitions on the theme: The City of Cartago: Its buildings, people, natural spaces and heritage. The 18 April Prize was awarded; it is a public recognition of esteem and distinction to recognize the merit of an individual or legal person who has done outstanding work in recent years in favour of preserving the historical and cultural heritage of Costa Rica.

Also Living Human Treasures were recognized; they are people who have mastered traditional skills and expertise. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Costa Rica contributed to the revision of the Tentative List of Costa Rica by organising a series of consultation meetings in Finca. During the year, particular attention was given to the state of conservation of Esferas de Piedra del Valle del Diquis threatened by the construction of an airport. ICOMOS Costa Rica hosts a website at: <http://www.icomoscr.org/>

## Croatia

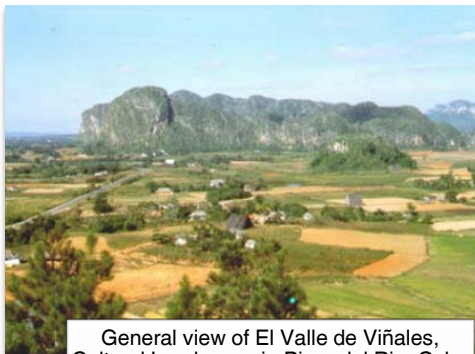
ICOMOS Croatia has 48 members. The National Committee held its Annual meeting in December to evaluate the progress made in 2009. The Board was satisfied with the work done by the President and the Secretary General. The Secretary General reported on the Advisory meeting held in Malta. As a result of the meeting the General Assembly elected a working group to revise the Committee's Statutes during 2010. Three new members were admitted for membership in the Scientific Committees. The plan for the 2010 activities was approved with a strong desire for the National Committee to get more involved in World Heritage work.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised a presentation of the "Konavle 2004 - Bilten međunarodnih ljetnih radionica arhitekture" (Konavle 2004, Bulletin of International Summer Workshops of Architecture, Vol. 6) was published and an exhibition was set up in Dubrovnik. Other publications included:

- Katalog austrougarskih Fortifikacija, Tvrđava Pula-Fort Verudela, svezak 1 (Catalogue of Austro-Hungarian Fortifications, Vol.1, Fort Verudela)
- Katalog austrougarskih Fortifikacija, Tvrđava Pula-Grupa Barbariga, svezak 2 (Catalogue of Austro-Hungarian Fortifications, Vol.2, Barbariga Group).

ICOMOS Croatia was saddened by the loss of Jerko Marasovic, Phd, one of its longest-standing members.

## Cuba



General view of El Valle de Viñales, Cultural Landscape in Pinar del Rio, Cuba

ICOMOS Cuba has 28 members. The National Committee held its Annual meeting. Discussion topics comprised: Information about the 2008 Annual Report, ICOMOS Cuba activities, nationally and abroad, for 2009, lectures series starting in June 2009, fees payment, new members for ICOMOS Cuba; other topics proposed by the participating members. The board held 4 meetings and discussed several subjects such as: Activities program for 2009; Annual Report 2008; General Assembly in March or April; discussion of specific cases; Scientific Committees activities; lectures series; events to be supported or lead by ICOMOS Cuba; Tentative List of Cuban heritage sites and many other minor subjects proposed by the attending members during the meetings. ICOMOS Cuba has only 6 representatives in 7 International Scientific Committees. The National Committee wishes to increase its participation in other

scientific Committees such as Wall Painting.



ICOMOS Cuba held two meetings and distributed reports of matters discussed in previous Board meetings to official authorities and the National Commission of Monuments responsible for different aspects of conservation in Cuba. The first report was the state of El Carmelo, a traditional 20th Century restaurant in danger, located in the historic Vedado quarter. Special emphasis was put on the treatment of the heritage of the Miramar coast during the past year and how the current issues of planning and management should be approached. In the framework of the National Commission of Monuments, the members also discussed the future and the conservation of Miramar coast. On behalf of the National Commission of Monuments, five ICOMOS members reviewed the assessment of sites nominated as national landmarks. Four members took part in the Jury for the 2009 National Preservation Award. Four members were invited to participate to radio broadcasts concerning heritage preservation. On International Monuments Day, the Committee participated in the celebrations and awards given to the best architectural heritage restoration and reuse projects. ICOMOS Cuba's President was invited to participate to a TV press conference.

The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Cuba. The most problematic cases were the Restaurant El Carmelo and the Miramar coast, threatened by inappropriate use and new constructions. As a result of the ICOMOS Cuba statement, the Authorities of Havana decided to further examine the case and to postpone any decision related to the new use.

ICOMOS Cuba contributed to the revision of the Cuban Tentative List by organising a workshop in Havana with the participation of eight ICOMOS members and two invited specialists. Other activities related to World Heritage matters included:

- Attendance to Evento indicadores Patrimonio Mundial UNESCO, Paris
- Monitoring mission to Panama Viejo and Historic District of Panama by Mrs. Isabel Rigol
- Two ICOMOS desk reviews
- Assistance to Viñales World Heritage Site
- Consultancy on Cienfuegos World Heritage Site
- Participation in ICOMOS World Heritage Panels
- Teaching at the Course "Application of the World Heritage Convention", organised by the World Heritage Center, Uruguay

Publications included:

- "La casa habanera"(The Havana House) Ed. Bolona, 2007 (distributed in 2009)
- "Retos de la Conservación del Patrimonio Monumental de América Latina y el Caribe" (Challenges of Monumental Heritage Conservation in Latin America and the Caribbean) Revolución y Cultura No. 2, 2009, La Habana, Cuba, by Mrs. Isabel Rigol
- "Los muchos centros de La Habana" (The Many Centres of Havana) Revista bimestre cubana. Época 3 No.31, by Mr. Mario Coyula Cowley
- "El Barrio de Colon en Centro Habana" octubre de 2009, By Mrs. Gerogina Rey

ICOMOS Cuba signed a Memorandum of Understanding with DOCOMOMO, CNM, 6 CPMs, UNEAC and UNAICC to exchange information and cooperate on several topics related to Heritage preservation. ICOMOS Cuba was saddened by the loss of Mrs. Eliana Cardenas Sanchez who passed away on March 4th, 2009. She was an important member of ICOMOS Cuba and an expert in Theory and History of Architecture, subjects in which she worked for more than 35 years as a Senior Professor at the Faculty of Architecture. Concerning awards and official recognitions, Mrs. Isabel Rigol was selected as a member of the recently created ICOMOS Academy and Mr. Jose Fornes was inducted in the distinguished Cuban list of 20th Century professors.

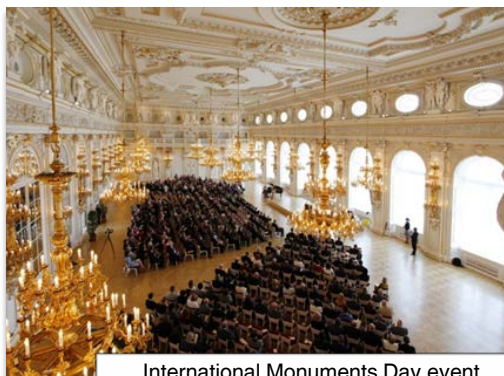
## Cyprus

ICOMOS Cyprus has 85 members. The National Committee in Cyprus held 11 meetings and its Annual meeting with the elections for a president and 11 board members. The Board discussed topics regarding building and site conservation, urban conservation, interventions in historic cities, issues of World Heritage sites, heritage management and traditional architecture. ICOMOS Cyprus has 8 representatives in 7 International Scientific Committees. ICOMOS Cyprus held two open lectures that dealt with different aspects of conservation. Both lectures were co-organised with the Civil Engineers and Architects Association and Nicosia Municipality. The first one presented the restoration project of the old poorhouse restored into the Municipal Multifunctional Centre with 65 participants. A vivid discussion followed on the previous state and on the restoration project. Special emphasis was laid on how the relationship of the project developed with the venetian walls and the connection to Famagusta Gate. The second lecture, attended by 60 participants, presented a historic building, "Zenovia Building" in the heart of the walled city of Nicosia and the challenges of reuse in a retail commercial area. Current issues of planning and management were also discussed. In the framework of the lectures, the members discussed the future, conservation and re-use of historic buildings in developing historic environments focusing on their traditions and urban heritage.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised a press release and issued a poster announcing the free guided tours of traditional olive mills and wine presses in the villages of Lophou, Kakopetria, Spilia, Galata, Ayia Varvara, Palechori in Cyprus. The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Cyprus. The most problematic cases were the proposed interventions at the church of Ayios Herakledios in Politico village and the proposed project of a new cathedral on the grounds of the Cyprus Archbishopric in the historic walled city of Nicosia. In regard to the proposed new cathedral as a result of the statements by ICOMOS Cyprus and other NGOs, the authorities of Nicosia Municipality decided to further examine the case. In relation to the church of Ayios Herakledios unfortunately inappropriate interventions were carried out despite the protest statements by several NGOs. Concerning World Heritage activities, ICOMOS Cyprus supported the efforts undertaken by the Cyprus Department of Antiquities regarding the protection of the World Heritage Site of Choirokoitia from a proposed construction of a new petrol station near the site. ICOMOS Cyprus consulted with the authorities and exchanged views with the UNESCO expert from ICOMOS UK, Mr Tom Hassall on his mission to Cyprus in December 2009. The National Committee is active in further developing contacts with local and central authorities in order to more effectively take part in the decision making process regarding the protection, management and enhancement of monuments and sites. Interventions in urban historic sites as well as cultural heritage management and climate change and heritage are some of the topics currently under discussion.

ICOMOS Cyprus collaborated on developing and proposing research proposals with the Cyprus Department of Antiquities, the University of Cyprus-Computer Science Department and History and Archaeology Department, the Cyprus Institute and Nicosia Municipality. It also maintains excellent relations with NGOs such as the Cyprus Technical Chamber, the Civil Engineers and Architects Association, and the Cyprus Traditional Architecture Organisation. The National Committee's web site is currently under construction.

## Czech Republic



International Monuments Day event

The National Committee of the Czech Republic has 63 members. ICOMOS Czech held 2 Executive Committee meetings and 5 open seminars and conferences that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The most prestigious of them was the conference "5th International Biennial Vestiges of Industry 2009". From the very first biennial held in 2001, Vestiges of Industry has been a platform for the exchange of opinions and for spreading information and awareness about the adapted new use of industrial heritage in the Czech Republic. The biennial programme is made up of exhibitions, an international expert conference, and cultural events, the objective of which is to explore current themes in the field in order to draw attention to sites that not long ago were neglected and in decline. The individual events in the biennial programme are largely autonomous

and take place in a number of cities at locations connected with defunct or declining industrial activities. In 2009, in addition to Prague, other cities hosting events included Liberec, Žatec, Ostrava, Kladno, Zlín, Jablonec nad Nisou, Brno and Pilsen.

With support from the National Institute for Heritage Preservation, ICOMOS Czech organises annually a public seminar on the International Heritage Day. This year, two public lectures were focused on the theme "Heritage and Science" that had been adopted for 2009 International Day for Monuments and Sites. ICOMOS Czech co-organised the event in collaboration with the Association of Historical Settlements in Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia and other Prague Castle cultural and political organisations. The Ceremonial Session was held in the Spanish Hall of Prague Castle on 16 April. Laureates of the competition for the title of the 2008 Historical Town of the Year - prizes for the best preparation and implementation of the Regeneration Programmes of Conservation Areas and Conservation Zones were announced during the session. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Czech held a meeting on revolving amphitheatre in the garden of the State Castle and Chateau Český Krumlov (part of the property was put on UNESCO's World Heritage List in 1992).

The Czech National Committee was a consultant and surveyor in the preparation of the publication entitled: Věra Kučová, Světové kulturní a přírodní památky (The World Cultural and Natural Heritage Listed by UNESCO), Praha 2009. The Committee maintains a very good collaboration with the Society For Old Prague. Members participated in several Society For Old Prague campaigns against intrusive projects in Prague (the hot issues of the Pankrác Plain and Holešovice quarter high rises projects, redevelopment of neighbourhood of Václavské Square in the core of Prague World Heritage site and others). ICOMOS Czech invited Society members to take part in the UNESCO/ICOMOS meeting for a joint mission to Prague (Ms Mechtild Rössler and Mr Paul Drury). Committee members help the Society For Old Prague to organise and evaluate annually the competition for the Society's Award for contemporary architecture's most contextual work within historical surrounding. The winner this year was the new National Library building in Dejvice quarter in Prague.

## Ecuador



Interior of the Iglesia de la Compañía de Jesús, Quito

ICOMOS Ecuador has 20 members. Its activities nationally as well as in Quito have been intense during the past two years. With the arrival to power of President Rafael Correa, Committee members have spent a great deal of time working on developing the national conservation policy for culture and nature. ICOMOS Ecuador was invited to participate to numerous debates, symposiums and technical and political meetings all across the country. One important task was the creation of the national historic towns network. It consists of 22 towns located principally in the Andes Mountains. ICOMOS Ecuador agreed to prepare the network's Strategic Plan as well as the training of municipal civil servants. Meanwhile in historic Quito, important historic buildings and churches, including the National Congress Palace as well as the

Iglesia de la Compañía de Jesús were threatened by urban development and the World Heritage Centre decided to send a Reactive Monitoring expert mission. ICOMOS Ecuador members participated in the three-day mission and were invited by the Minister of Culture to report on requirements and resolutions.

ICOMOS Ecuador held several public meetings and symposiums on the subject of heritage conservation. The first one gathered 100 participants and looked at the current condition and future at the site of Zaruma. During meetings, debates and technical sessions in the 22 historic towns, the emphasis was placed on urban, architectural and natural conservation. Lectures focused on local traditions and urban heritage.

The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Ecuador. The most problematic cases concerned the impact of Tungurahua volcano eruptions in the province of Tungurahua and the City of Baños. Concerning activities related to World Heritage, ICOMOS Ecuador participated to the World Heritage Centre Reactive Monitoring mission to Quito and contributed to revising the nomination for the City of Zaruma. The National Committee published:

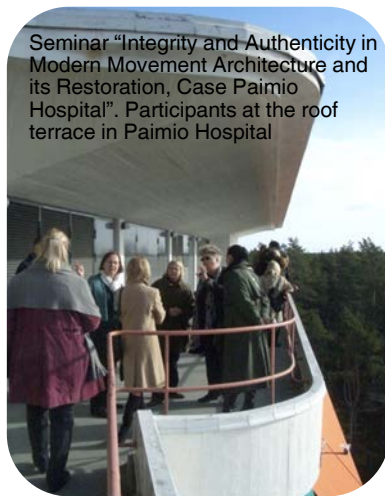
- « Solo Cenizas Hallarás », Oswaldo Páez
- « Cochasqui, el agua del frente de la mitad », Lénin Ortíz
- « El Quito Pre-hispánico », Andrés Peñaherrera et Juan Fernando Pérez

ICOMOS Ecuador has a cooperation agreement with the Department of Natural and Cultural Heritage to exchange information. During the year, ICOMOS Ecuador was saddened by the loss of Hernán Crespo Toral who contributed immensely to the expansion of Ecuadorian culture and the management of cultural heritage nationally and internationally (Director for Culture at UNESCO). Also gone is Lénin Ortiz, an Ecuadorian pioneer of social archaeology especially in Latin America.

## Estonia

ICOMOS Estonia has 20 members. The National Committee in Estonia held 11 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 2 board members. The board held 9 meetings and discussed issues concerning Tallinn Old City, World Heritage and the Tentative List, shared heritage with neighbouring countries, cooperation between NCs, and joining the ISCs. ICOMOS Estonia has 2 representatives in 2 International Scientific Committees. It held 2 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the state of Tallinn Old City with 50 participants, 5 lectures and a vivid discussion on the current condition and the future of the site. The second one discussed ICOMOS with 10 participants, 1 lecture and a vivid discussion on the current and future activities. ICOMOS Estonia has partnered with ICOMOS Finland to exchange information.

## Finland



Seminar "Integrity and Authenticity in Modern Movement Architecture and its Restoration, Case Paimio Hospital". Participants at the roof terrace in Paimio Hospital

ICOMOS Finland has 202 members. It held 9 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 8 board members in February. ICOMOS Finland has 10 representatives in 10 International Scientific Committees. ICOMOS Finland held two open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. First, the members gathered with 13 lecturers from Finland in the House of Culture in Helsinki to discuss the definition of underwater landscape and the current issues of management of underwater heritage. The seminar was organised by ICOMOS Finland with The National Board of Forests, RAMSAR in Finland and the University of Turku, Degree Program in Cultural Production and Landscape Studies. The second seminar focused on risk preparedness and the potential future activities of the Blue Shield in Finland; it was organised with support from ICOM Finland. The seminar included 6 lectures related to risk preparedness of archives, museums and libraries in Finland as well as the risks threatening the built cultural heritage and the application of the Hague Convention in Finland.

Concerning International Monuments Day the Committee organised an excursion to the threatened site of Helsinki Observatory. The excursion included three presentations on historic observatories in the country. The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Finland. The most problematic case was the hotel development project on Helsinki's waterfront.

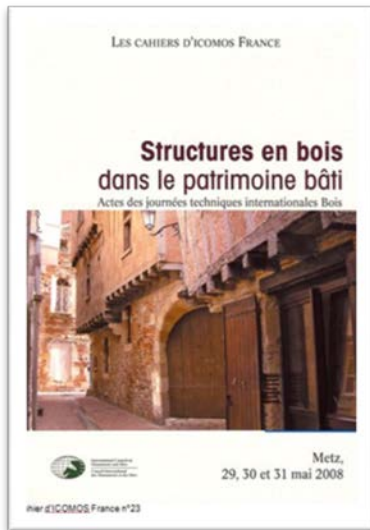
Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Finland set up a World Heritage working group. The purpose is to offer a forum for communication for World Heritage professionals in Finland and to facilitate the work done at the sites, e.g. in training and communication. ICOMOS Finland held a seminar on Paimio Hospital and Modern Movement. The seminar "Integrity and Authenticity in Modern Movement Architecture and its Restoration, Case Paimio Hospital" was held in Paimio and Turku. It was organised in collaboration with the National Board of Antiquities and DOCOMOMO Finland. The sessions, "Buildings of Medicine in the Modern Movement", and "Integrity and Authenticity in Modern Movement Architecture and its Restoration", included 8 lectures and gathered 27 international participants. Modern architecture was also presented during excursions in Turku and Espoo. ICOMOS Finland prepared a statement concerning the buffer zone of Old Rauma, World Heritage site.

European Heritage Days were celebrated by an article on the theme of municipal architecture published in the Committee's newsletter. ICOMOS Finland continued preparing the celebratory publication that marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of the National Committee with translations of the articles. Four newsletters were published, all dedicated to special themes, including sacred sites, historic urban landscapes as well as science and cultural heritage. Many publications of earlier years have been sold out. The Committee continued publishing a monthly e-newsletter. In addition to these themes the Committee reactivated its sub-committee on vernacular architecture. In August the Committee on vernacular architecture organised an international documentation camp in the municipality of Ruovesi. The subject of the work was old barns in the municipality of Ruovesi. There were participants from 7 countries. An event was organised in October by the Committee to discuss the future and maintenance old barns in Ruovesi.

The ICOMOS Ethical Commitment Statement was translated into Finnish and published in a newsletter. The National Committee supported the ICOMOS Europe Group statement on energy efficiency in which a concern was expressed by the European Parliament for built cultural heritage, by sending a letter to the Finnish representatives in the European Parliament. The Committee has 5 institutional members, including Architectural Society, City of Helsinki (City Planning Department), Kymenlaakso University of Applied Sciences and Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences (Building Conservation). The Committee also developed a partnership with the National Committees of ICOM, ICA, IFLA, CCAAA and other professional organisations working for risk preparedness of cultural heritage by organising a seminar on this subject.

ICOMOS Finland was saddened by the loss of Ms Tytti Valto. ICOMOS Finland welcomed the ICCROM commemoration of the lifetime achievements of Mr Jukka Jokilehto, an honorary member of ICOMOS Finland, through the publication of a book, "Conserving the Authentic: Essays in Honour of Jukka Jokilehto" in the ICCROM Conservation Studies series. The publication recognises Jukka Jokilehto's contribution and dedication to the conservation profession, in developing both theory and practice. ICOMOS Finland hosts a web site at: <http://www.icomos.fi>

## France



ICOMOS France has 1,034 members. The Committee held 20 Working Group meetings, 5 Bureau meetings, 2 Board meetings as well as the Annual meeting in March during which the President and 38 Board members were elected. During the 2 Board meetings, Directors reviewed the progress of the Working Groups, current projects and approved the budgets. ICOMOS France has 70 members in 28 International Scientific Committees. ICOMOS France held 3 seminars open to the public that dealt with various aspects of heritage conservation. The first one with 131 participants reviewed the state of the proposals to manage urban historic centres. A particular emphasis was placed on how urban heritage has been treated during recent years and the way in which current planning and management concerns ought to be approached: identification of historic urban landscape, historical knowledge: production and sharing; maintaining the historical value of urban landscape and contemporary mutations: which tools, what project management to use for harmonious evolution?; heritage and socio-economic and cultural factors of historic urban landscapes. Within the framework of the seminar in Lyon entitled "What future for the Lyon-Saint-Joseph and Saint-Paul prisons?" members discussed the future of heritage as it relates to prisons with 12 lectures that emphasised their traditions and their urban heritage. During October, members of the group "Grands Sites" met at the Grand Site des Deux Caps in Northern France

with 250 participants and 17 lecturers from France, the Netherlands, Benin, Canada, Hungary, Switzerland, Belgium, Peru and Italy. They discussed the sharing of values for sites co-managed by French and foreign authorities.

Concerning activities related to the World Heritage Convention, the Committee organised the seminar in Lyon mentioned above and paid particular attention to the state of conservation of: Vézelay Cathedral threatened by the construction of a medical centre; Bordeaux, threatened by the Bacalan-Bastide bridge construction; the Cathedral of Chartres' buffer zone modification; the ZPPAUP and the PLU of Saint Sulpice de Faleyrens in Saint Emilion; Saint martin de Ré: Vauban fortification, construction of a parking area; Saline royale d'Arc-et-Senans: new building being constructed within the salt works area; and various projects in the Pyrénées, Mont-Perdu.

ICOMOS France published two technical publications: cahier n°23, Structures en bois dans le patrimoine bâti, et le n° 24, Préservation du patrimoine et économies d'énergies. It also published the electronic version of the proceedings of the one-day seminar on "Historic Urban Landscapes: A New UNESCO Recommendation in Support of the World Heritage Convention". ICOMOS France has 34 institutional members including government departments, cities, and regional and general Advisory Boards. The Committee has also established partnerships with Europe, the ministry of Culture, and MEEDDAT.

## Georgia



ICOMOS Georgia has 18 members. The National Committee in Georgia held two meetings. The annual meeting was attended by 12 members. The board held one meeting and discussed the state of conservation of Georgia's World Heritage sites and outcomes of the special meeting held in the Parliament of Georgia in September concerning ongoing works in Bagrati Cathedral, World Heritage site.

ICOMOS Georgia held one seminar and participated in several different gatherings that dealt with different aspects of conservation. One gathered 12 participants to discuss ways to promote the application of scientific approaches to heritage conservation in Georgia; three presentations were made on Tbilisi Historic District preservation issues with 150 participants; two other presentations were dedicated to the restoration of Georgian vernacular architecture with 22 participants.

ICOMOS Georgia member Dr Nino Inaishvili, evaluated the Old Batumi rehabilitation plans and identified major problems with the proposed restoration approach (pseudo historicism); also, ICOMOS Georgia assisted the local heritage advocacy movement to draft and disseminate the Old Batumi petition, and helped to organise a photo exhibition in Batumi.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Georgia participated in a meeting with the Ministry of Culture, Monuments Protection and Sports of Georgia, concerning the decision of the World Heritage Committee (Seville, June 2009) to inscribe the Historic Monuments of Mtskheta on the List of World Heritage in Danger. As a result of this meeting, ICOMOS Georgia elaborated a draft Action Plan to respond to the World Heritage Committee's recommendations on Mtskheta and sent it to all participants of the meeting for their review. During the year, particular attention was given to the state of conservation of Bagrati Cathedral threatened by inappropriate consolidation works. On this subject, ICOMOS Georgia organised a site visit and held several working meetings to evaluate ongoing works on Bagrati Cathedral. ICOMOS Georgia joined a wide public awareness campaign on the state of Bagrati Cathedral, and together with the Bagrati Appeal Group, participated in the drafting and distribution of the petition "Georgia's World Heritage Needs Your Help".

With support from the Ministry of Foreign affairs of Norway, through Riksantikvaren, ICOMOS Georgia continued its long-term Revitalisation programme of Betlemi Quarter ([www.icomos.org.ge/Betlemi](http://www.icomos.org.ge/Betlemi)). This year's activities focused on traditional surface treatment and architectural paint research. As well, a project for school children – "Respect the Past" – was launched; it focused on raising youth awareness through organising visits to Betlemi Historic Quarter and the ICOMOS Georgia office. During these visits children were given information about the heritage values and participated to drawings sessions in Betlemi Historic Quarter. The Quebec Declaration on the Preservation of the Spirit of Place was translated into Georgian and widely distributed.

## Germany

ICOMOS Germany has 287 members. The German National Committee held its annual meeting with elections in Berlin. The meeting, which covered a wide range of topics, was attended by 80 members. Michael Petzet was re-elected as President, Jörg Haspel was elected as Vice-President, and Werner von Trützschler was re-elected as Treasurer.

In 2009, ICOMOS Germany co-organised the following conferences:

- 24–26 May in Kassel: "Hortus ex machina. The Wilhelmshöhe Mountain Park as trio of art, nature and technology"; organised in collaboration with the conservation department of the State of Hessen and the Museumslandschaft Hessen Kassel.
- 18–20 June in Lindau: "Museums and Monuments – Cultural Heritage and Cultural Tourism"; conference organised in collaboration with ICOMOS Austria and ICOMOS Switzerland as well as with ICOM Germany, Austria and Switzerland.
- 20–21 November in Berlin: "The European Heritage Label and the World Cultural Heritage", workshop organised in collaboration with the Berlin conservation department.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, the Committee's monitoring group was very active in looking after Germany's World Heritage sites (preventive monitoring). Naturally, this work was overshadowed by the deletion of the Elbe Valley from the World Heritage List. Other World Heritage sites inspected included: Upper Middle Rhine Valley (threatened by a bridge project), Quedlinburg (continued stabilisation measures at the Stiftsberg), Weimar (plans for a new Bauhaus museum), Dessau (plans to complete the "Masters' Houses"), and Lorsch (preparation of an architectural competition). Furthermore, the monitoring group was intensely involved in the new and comprehensive investment programme of the Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Development for the promotion of German World Heritage.

ICOMOS Germany published the following works:

- Gudrun Wolfschmidt (ed.): Cultural Heritage of Astronomical Observatories – From Classical Astronomy to Modern Astrophysics. Proceedings of the International ICOMOS Symposium in Hamburg, October 14-17, 2008. Berlin 2009 (Monuments and Sites XVIII).
- The Giant Buddhas of Bamiyan - Safeguarding the Remains. Berlin 2009 (Monuments and Sites XIX).
- Erwin Emmerling (ed.): Toccare – Non Toccare. Munich 2009 (ICOMOS – Hefte des Deutschen Nationalkomitees XLVII).

The German National Committee does not publish a newsletter; however, regular updates of its activities as well as a list of ICOMOS Germany's publications can be found on its website at: <http://www.icomos.de>

## Greece



This coin was minted from Laurium silver. The face is Athena and the owl is her owl

ICOMOS Greece has 359 members. The Committee held its Annual General Assembly in Athens. The board held five meetings and discussed the protection of cultural heritage in Greece, issues concerning conservation education and the participation of ICOMOS Hellenic in the international scientific activity. The Hellenic National Committee had 35 representatives in International Scientific Committees.

ICOMOS Hellenic held two open seminars. The first one-day seminar was held in the framework of the International Monuments Day and dealt with the subject "Laurium, The Two Eras of a Mining Landscape". Participants drafted a memorandum and proposed the creation of a Committee presided and coordinated by the Municipality of Laurium. The Committee will prepare the candidature of Laurium for nomination to the World Heritage List; it is already included in Greece's Tentative List of World Heritage sites. The afternoon session took place in the Turnery of the Laurium Technological Park, and focused on the promotion of Laurium's Mining Landscape, as well as on the presentation of representative cases illustrating the role of science within the field of cultural heritage.

The second conference was dedicated to the special meeting of ICOMOS Hellenic and CIVVIH-ICOMOS and was held in Athens. Its objective was to update the ICOMOS Charter of Historic Towns 22 years after its adoption and the formulation of guidelines for specialists in the field of conservation of Historic Towns. This meeting was jointly organised by the CIVVIH and the Technical Chamber of Greece, ICOMOS-Greece and the Faculty of Architecture of the National Technical University of Athens. During the first day of the conference, which was open to the public, members of the Committee critically presented international Charters and Guidelines drafted in the past, as well as matters pertaining to the protection and development of Historic Towns. During the second day, participants expressed their opinion on the proposed revisions to the Charter; their observations and suggestions were incorporated in the text which will be available in English and French, the two languages in which the original text was drafted.

Concerning International Monuments Day on 18 April ICOMOS Hellenic co-organised an event on the subject of "Laurium, The Two Eras of a Mining Landscape" in Laurium Technological Cultural Park. The event was held under the auspices of the Hellenic Ministry of Culture.

The Hellenic Section of ICOMOS, TICCIH, the Technical Chamber of Greece and the N.T.U.A., with the scientific contribution and under the auspices of the Ministry of Culture, published a leaflet describing the important achievements of antiquity.

ICOMOS Hellenic was saddened by the loss of Georgios Gligoris, officer of the Hellenic Police, who was fatally injured under undetermined circumstances in a car accident in March 2009. Since 2002, Mr. Gligoris directed the Department against the Illicit Trafficking of Antiquities and was associated with the greatest Police successes (resolving dozens of cases) as well as to the return of hundreds of antiquities from foreign museums and private collectors that had been illegally exported.

The Hellenic Section of ICOMOS functions under the auspices of the Technical Chamber of Greece (TEE) which numbers 110,000 engineer members. It collaborates with Hellenic TICCIH, ICOM, branches of scientific unions, Universities, research bodies, and municipalities. It also collaborates with the Ministry of Culture and the Ministry of Physical Planning and Public Works. ICOMOS Hellenic hosts a web site at: <http://www.icomoshellenic.gr>

## Honduras

ICOMOS Honduras has 9 members. The National Committee in Honduras held an annual meeting with the elections for a president and three board members. The board held 2 meetings and discussed: Identification and acceptance of new members; Search for sponsors for publications of the studies done by ICOMOS in recent years; Strategies for the installation of the headquarters of ICOMOS Honduras in a heritage property; Participation in the National Committee against the Traffic of Cultural Heritage; Participation in international events concerning cultural heritage; and Payment of membership dues. ICOMOS Honduras has one representative in an International Scientific Committee.

Members participated in the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Heritage of ICOMOS Mexico and the First Meeting of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Heritage Committees of the Americas, Ciudad de Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico. The focus of this meeting was discussion of the principles and strategies to promote the understanding and conservation of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century's heritage, a topic that has been neglected in Honduras. Ms Norma Lagos discussed the spiritual and architectural meaning, as well as some necessary measures to preserve the most important icon of the 20<sup>th</sup> century architecture in Honduras, namely the Legislative Palace located in the country's capital. This is the first step for a future declaration as a National Monument.

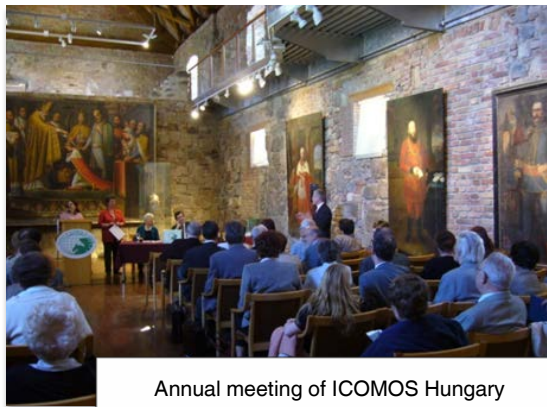
Concerning International Monuments Day and World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Honduras sent an open invitation to all members for an informal gathering to discuss "Heritage and Science", the 2009 theme of the International Monuments Day. The poor preservation measures of the Ecclesiastic Archive in Comayagua, the old capital of Honduras and the limited access to the documents in church custody for research has always been an issue pointed out over the years by ICOMOS Honduras. Regretfully the building and with it a great majority of the archival records (as well as some of the religious paintings and sculptures of the adjacent museum) were destroyed by a fire on the night of April 15, 2009. In August, ICOMOS Honduras was asked by the Prince Claus Fund for Culture and Development of The Netherlands to assess the proposal sent by the Bishopric of Comayagua in order to protect the severely burnt walls from more damages through the tropical rains. While ICOMOS Honduras supports the protection of the remaining structure, it also stated to the Prince Claus Fund that its main concern is the preservation of the archival records which survived the fire, since they need urgent attention and a safe place for storage.

ICOMOS Honduras also recommended that the Honduran Institute of Anthropology and History (HIAH), which is by law the custodian of the cultural heritage, should be involved in the project and that it should be executed under its supervision. ICOMOS Honduras put the Prince Claus Fund in contact with the technicians in charge at HIAH; the Prince Claus Fund has agreed to sponsor the conservation of the remaining archival records.

ICOMOS Honduras participated in meetings of the National Committee against the Illicit Traffic of Honduran Cultural Heritage and presented a paper at the Third National Conference on Human Rights: Human Rights, Identity and Culture: From Public Policy to Solidarity in the Diversity in November. Current topics for members are the conservation and management of 20<sup>th</sup> Century architecture in Honduras, World Heritage sites and the Culture of Peace (Ise Declaration on World Heritage for Peace, November 2009).

ICOMOS Honduras has maintained a close relationship with ICOMOS Costa Rica for several years. The President of ICOMOS Honduras met with board members of ICOMOS Costa Rica in San José. The goal was to organise a meeting in Honduras with members of ICOMOS Costa Rica to exchange experiences and visit important heritage sites in Honduras. The difficult political situation that emerged in Honduras afterwards obliged to postpone all plans.

## Hungary



Annual meeting of ICOMOS Hungary

ICOMOS Hungary has 383 members. The National Committee in Hungary held 11 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 17 board members. The presidency held 9 meetings, and the board, held 2 meetings. ICOMOS Hungary had 17 representatives in 12 International Scientific Committees.

In the framework of “ICOMOS Klub” ICOMOS Hungary organised 4 public seminars on vernacular architecture and historical gardens conservation aspects in Hungary and abroad, and two site visits entitled “Discover the unknown underground Budapest”. A special public seminar was organised to present the results of the ICOMOS 16<sup>th</sup> General Assembly held in Québec City. ICOMOS Hungary held 4 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. A special emphasis

was laid on how the heritage of historic gardens was treated in the past decades when not enough care was given to them and how the current issues of planning and management should be approached.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised at Pécs, in collaboration with the National Office of Cultural Heritage, a festive day and session with lectures on the theme “Industrial Heritage, Art of Heritage”. During the event, 3 Hungarian ICOMOS Prizes were awarded as well as 3 ICOMOS Hungary’s Lemon Prizes. The monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Hungary. The most problematic cases were the Tokaj Historic Vineyards cultural landscape (World Heritage site), and Budapest’s former Jewish quarter in the buffer zone of the World Heritage site, threatened by inappropriate development plans and projects. As a result of the statement jointly published by ICOMOS Hungary and other NGOs, the Hungarian Government authorities decided to re-examine the case.

During its General Assembly, ICOMOS Hungary awarded the Möller István Prize to Dr. László Szabó, and the International Möller Prize to Dr. Alexander Balega (Slovakia). ICOMOS Hungary organised the “Román András International Summer University” in Eger. The 39<sup>th</sup> edition of this yearly course gathered foreign and Hungarian experts during a one-week programme on “Heritage Protection – Needs of the Society” and concluded with a one day study-tour. ICOMOS Hungary took part in the XIV Tusnad Conference in Torockó (Rimetea, Romania), where a declaration on the sustainable conservation of vernacular heritage was drawn up.

ICOMOS Hungary published 6 newsletters “ICOMOS Híradó” [ICOMOS News], which are available (in Hungarian language), online on ICOMOS Hungary’s website at: <http://www.icomos.hu>. In addition to the themes mentioned above, ICOMOS Hungary’s Vernacular Architecture Committee organised the 16<sup>th</sup> Vernacular Architecture Conference of Békés (a medium-size historic town in Hungary), and published the previous conference’s written material.

ICOMOS Hungary prepared a Memorandum of Understanding with other NGOs (Porta Speciosa Association, Magyar Kulturális Örökség Védelméért Alapítvány, Hungaria Nostra) to exchange information on professional training, and other relevant issues in the field of heritage conservation. The Committee has 25 institutional members, including The National Trust of Monuments for Hungary, The Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén County Government, and the Mayor’s Offices of the Municipalities of Pécs, Eger and Sopron.



ICOMOS Hungary welcomed the award of the prestigious Commander's Cross Order of Merit of the Republic of Hungary to one of its members, Prof. Dr Gábor Winkler (former President of the Hungarian National Committee) for his research, professional work and teaching in the fields of architecture.

## Iran



ICOMOS Iran has 402 members. It held its Annual General Assembly on 24 June 2009. It was attended by more than 120 members. The board held 18 meetings. Besides administrative matters, it held lengthy discussions on the ongoing development projects undertaken in the historic, cultural and natural fabric of Isfahan. A declaration was prepared and published on ICOMOS Iran's website <http://www.iranicomos.org> - World Heritage issues in Iran). A National Scientific Committee as well as a Publication and Education committee were created in 2009.

ICOMOS Iran had 2 representatives in 2 International Scientific Committees. It organised a seminar entitled "New findings in architecture of the Islamic Period" in Tehran in memory of Baqer A. Shirazi, the late founder of

ICOMOS Iran and its first president, who passed away on 19 August 2007. 152 participants were present. ICOMOS Iran organised 6 public lectures that dealt with different aspects of conservation, urban fabric, archaeology and history of architecture in Iran and in Afghanistan. There were approximately 90 participants in each meeting. A public lecture on "Recent Activities of ICOMOS ISCEAH and Terra Conferences" by Prof. Yasuyoshi Okada and lectures on "Lessons from Earthquake Damage of Architectural Heritages in Japan and Asia" by Prof. Toshikazu Hanazato (also presented by Mr Okada) both from ICOMOS Japan were presented as well. Discussions on future collaboration between the two National Committees were also held. The lectures were recorded and published on DVDs. They are available for purchase.

An exceptional public gathering was organised on 18 April 2009 to celebrate the International Day of Monuments and Sites. Statements and lectures on "Heritage and Science" were given and an exhibition of publications related to the conservation and protection of monuments and sites was put up. A poster celebrating that day was also printed and distributed.

Preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Iran. The most problematic cases were those related to the Cultural Heritage of Isfahan, especially the one concerning the Khaju Bridge threatened by inappropriate restoration interventions. A statement by ICOMOS Iran written as an open letter was published together with a press release followed by an interview with the media. Consequently the authorities in Isfahan modified their restoration plans for the above mentioned bridge.

ICOMOS Iran contributed to the evaluation of the Bâzâr of Tabriz nominated to UNESCO's World Heritage List by designating delegates to accompany Ms. Zeynep Ahunbay, from ICOMOS Turkey who was sent by ICOMOS to examine the site.

ICOMOS Iran's Publications Committee translated into Persian and broadly distributed key international Charters related to restoration and conservation of historic monuments and sites. Specifically in 2009, ICOMOS Iran published:

- Translation of John Warren's Conservation of Earth Structures into Persian under the title "Hefâzat-e sâzehâ-ye gelin", Tehran, February 2009.
- DVDs of public lectures delivered by ICOMOS members on restoration, conservation and other related topics

During the year, ICOMOS Iran was saddened by the loss of Mr. Mohammad-Amin Mirfendereski, Mr. Masoud Azarnoosh and Mr. Mohammad Hosein Vafi. The Five Continents Medal of UNESCO was awarded to Prof. Chahryar Adle, ICOMOS Iran Foreign Affairs Representative, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to UNESCO's General and Regional Histories, and presented to him on 5 October 2009 in Paris by Mr. Koïchiro Matsuura, then the Director-General of UNESCO, in the presence of Ms Irina Bokova, UNESCO's current Director-General. ICOMOS Iran hosts a new bilingual (Persian and English) website at: <http://www.iranicomos.org>

## Ireland



Great telescope on the Birr Castle Demense

ICOMOS Ireland has 84 members. It held 13 meetings and an AGM with the election of three members to the Executive Committee or board. The board held a meeting in July to make specific appointments within the Executive. At a number of membership meetings there were lectures and one meeting was given over to a discussion on planning issues. ICOMOS Ireland had representatives in 2 International Scientific Committees.

A joint meeting with ICOMOS UK took place in Dublin. The theme was 'Cultural Landscapes' and ran back to back with the Heritage Council's Irish Landscape conference. The main meeting was held in Dublin Castle and comprised a series of focused lectures by speakers from both Ireland and the UK, followed by workshop discussions. The last day focused on site visits to Phoenix Park historic landscape, Brú na Bóinne World

Heritage site and Beaulieu historic house and gardens. This partnership event was so successful it will be repeated again in 2011. The 11<sup>th</sup> Maura Shaffrey Memorial Lecture took place in the Coach House, Dublin Castle. The speaker was Gustavo F. Araoz, President of ICOMOS. His talk, entitled "Preserving Heritage in View of its Evolving Perception and its New Role in Society - A Global Leadership challenge for ICOMOS" was very enthusiastically received and incorporated a discussion session afterwards. It was well attended with 120 participants and, as in previous years, there was a reception afterwards to facilitate ongoing discussion of the topic.

There were five talks for members during 2009:

- The Heritage Council and its Cultural heritage policy by Mr Michael Starrett (CEO Heritage Council)
- The ICOMOS International Secretariat by Ms Gaia Jungeblodt (Director ICOMOS Secretariat)
- The Influence of chinoiserie in Ireland in the 18th Century by Ms Patricia Wrafte
- Measuring climate change vulnerability: a case study of Brú na Bóinne by Ms Cathy Daly
- Flood Management by the Office of Public Works by Mr Tony Smith (Chief Engineer, OPW)

On International Monuments Day the theme was Heritage and Science and ICOMOS Ireland organised two events to celebrate:

- A guided tour of Ireland's Historic Science Centre and the Great Telescope on the Birr Castle Demense, Birr, Co Offaly by Mr John Joyce.
- A talk entitled The Remarkable Robert Halpin by Mr Jim Rees, local historian and author, held in Tinakilly House, Rathnew, Co. Wicklow, a former home of Robert Halpin.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, Mr Peter Cox (Vice-President) represented ICOMOS Ireland on the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government Expert Advisory Group to review Ireland's Tentative World Heritage List. A new ICOMOS Ireland leaflet incorporating information about the international organisation was published. The work of the Education & Training Sub-Committee was published towards the end of the year. It is entitled "Sustaining the Built Environment: Review of the state of conservation education and training in Ireland." The Climate Change sub-committee prepared a draft report entitled Monitoring Impacts of Climate Change on Built Heritage. This was commissioned by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.

ICOMOS Ireland has five working sub-committees:

- Climate Change and Built Heritage
- Cultural Landscape
- Education and Training
- Industrial Heritage
- Vernacular Architecture

ICOMOS Ireland is a partner in the Rachel MacRory Memorial Award with University College Dublin and the Association of Architectural Conservation Officers (AACO); this is an award for achievement in post-graduate studies in building conservation. ICOMOS Ireland prepared a bid document to bring the Advisory Committee and Scientific Symposium to Dublin in 2010. This document was put together with the help of Conference Partners. At the Malta ICOMOS Executive and Advisory Committee meetings the membership voted to have the event in Ireland and it will take place in October 2010 in Dublin Castle. ICOMOS Ireland hosts a web site at: <http://www.icomos.ie/>

## Italy



ICOMOS Italy has 169 members. The National Committee held 3 board meetings and its annual meeting with election of new members from Collegio dei Revisori dei Conti and Collegio dei Provibiri.

This year, ICOMOS Italy organised the following seminars and conferences and participated to the following international activities:

- January, Palermo-Regione Siciliana Assessorato dei Beni Culturali, Ambientale e della Pubblica Istruzione Università degli Studi di Palermo Facoltà di Architettura - Cattedra di antropologia culturale Associazione Dimore Storiche Italiane Grafill Editore - Présentation de l'œuvre "Repertorio delle Dimore Nobili e Notabili nella Sicilia del XVIII secolo Vol. I intra moenia e Vol. II extra moenia" Palazzo Reale
- March, Florence – Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco Conférence Internationale, "The Image of the Heritage: Changing Perceptions, Permanent Responsibilities", Auditorium al Duomo
- March, Siena – Amministrazione Provinciale- Congrès International "Le Vie della Cultura- Il ruolo delle Province europee nella valorizzazione dei percorsi storici di Pellegrinaggio"
- March, Paris – Fondation Tyr-Forum "Ligue des Cités Cananéennes, Phéniciennes et Puniques" at UNESCO
- April, Paestum – Congress: "Turismo Sostenibile e Sviluppo Locale" Musée de Paestum
- May, Noto (SR) - Assessorato Regionale al Turismo Regione Siciliana Congrès Turismo Sostenibile e competitivo "La rete del prodotto E. VI.MED" per una offerta turistica di qualità nel rispetto dell'ambiente e per il risparmio energetico - Teatro Comunale e Sala Dante
- May, Naples – National congress "Tecniche di analisi per il restauro dei beni architettonici e del paesaggio" - Chiesa trecentesca di Donnaregina
- June, Vienna, Europe Group Meeting
- June, Salerno – Rotary Club Salerno Nord EST Conviviale – "L'azione Internazionale per la Conservazione e Valorizzazione dei Siti Unesco Patrimonio dell'Umanità"
- June, Naples - Rotary Club Napoli Nord EST "L'azione internazionale per la conservazione e la valorizzazione dei siti UNESCO patrimonio dell'umanità"
- June, Narni – Annual international conference of CIVVIH (International Committee on Historic Towns) dell'ICOMOS Palazzo Erolì "Sala del Camino" Narni
- June, Friuli Venezia Giulia – Società Italiana per la Protezione dei Beni Culturali XIII International congress SIPBC "Aree di confine. Cooperazione nella tutela e valorizzazione del patrimonio culturale"
- July, Calanna (RC) – Dipartimento PAU – Università di Reggio Calabria "Festival della Natura, della Cultura e delle Tradizioni nella Vallata del Gallico"
- September, Procida – Università di Napoli Federico II – International summer school – "Valuing Cultural Diversity in Cities: Challenges to cultural economics" (prof. Luigi Fusco Girard)
- September, L'Aquila – Study day: "Quale avvenire per il territorio aquilano dopo il sisma del 6/4/09" Auditorium Cassa di Risparmio
- September, Florence – Università degli Studi di Firenze - Dipartimento di Progettazione dell'Architettura: Congrès "Disegnare il tempo e l'armonia". Aula Magna del Rettorato
- October, Rome – ICCROM, Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri Ufficio del Vice Commissario Delegato per la Tutela dei Beni Culturali – Congress "Territorio storico de L'Aquila: dall'emergenza alla rivitalizzazione: strategie di gestione e metodologie di intervento" – Ecole Française de Rome
- October, Valetta, Malta – ICOMOS Executive and Advisory Committee meetings (including Scientific Council and National Committees Council meetings)
- October, Moncalzati – Congress: "Restauro e modelli gestionali. Il castello di S.Barbato" - Sala Conferenza del Castello di S.Barbato
- October, Florence - "Salone dell'Arte e del Restauro di Firenze", Stazione Leopolda
- November, Naples – Università degli Studi Federico II Congrès: "Monumenti e Ambienti. Restauratori del Secondo Novecento". "Dal Restauro alla Conservazione, tra tangibile ed intangibile"
- November, Venice - UNESCO Palazzo Zorzi International congress: "Patrimonio Culturale: Conservazione Innovazione Sviluppo"

- November, Ravello – Centro Universitario Europeo “Turismo euro-mediterraneo, strategie per la gestione e valorizzazione delle risorse territoriali. La cultura e lo sviluppo dei luoghi”
- November, Rome – Assemblée Générale 2009 “ICCROM International Centre for the study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property”
- December, Cittadella - Congrès “Conservazione e gestione del Patrimonio Culturale: il caso delle Città Murate” - Associazione delle Città Murate di Venezia
- December, Naples – Congress: Cultural Heritage, Local Development and ICT Integrated e-Services for Advanced Access to Heritage in Cultural Tourist Destinations

On International Monuments Day, ICOMOS Italy organised several events:

- Ascea Marina (SA) – Centro Universitario Europeo – Fondazione ALARIO Congress: Tra Patrimonio e Scienza Nuove tecnologie per la comunicazione del Patrimonio Culturale Complesso Alario.
- Ferrara - Associazione Città e Siti Italiani Patrimonio UNESCO “CITTA' TERRITORIO FESTIVAL” - Forum “Le città UNESCO: un confronto di esperienze” – Residenza Municipale

Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Italy contributed to the nomination or evaluation of the sites of Italia Langobardorum, Historic Centre of Naples, Ravello, Albi (France), and Amsterdam (Netherlands). A Task Force within ICOMOS Italy inspected and reported on many sites damaged by the earthquake in the Abruzzi region. This year, ICOMOS Italy celebrated the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its foundation in Venice. ICOMOS Italy hosts a web site at: <http://www.icomositalia.com>

## Japan



Tomo-no-ura harbour threatened by the construction of a new bridge

ICOMOS Japan has 389 members. The National Committee in Japan held 4 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 26 board members in December. The board held 4 meetings. ICOMOS Japan had 9 representatives in 21 International Scientific Committees. The National Committee organised a seminar on the “Landscape Of Hiroshima Peace Memorial”, Yushi Utaka (University of Hyogo), Tokyo, and a lecture on “Current challenges in Management of the World Heritage Convention and implications for the role of ICOMOS”, Herb Stovel (Carleton University, Canada), Tokyo, April 6th.

The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Japan. The most problematic case was Tomo-no-ura historic harbour town in Fukuyama city Hiroshima prefecture,

threatened by the construction of a new bridge that would destroy the beautiful harbour. As a result of the statement jointly published by ICOMOS International and many civic conservation societies, the authorities of Hiroshima prefecture changed their attitude and decided to further examine the case and to postpone any decision related to the project at the moment.

Concerning World Heritage related activities ICOMOS Japan contributed to provide guidance and advice for the preparation of the nomination of the sites on Japan’s Tentative List by organising a series of consultation meetings or having its members join their official government’s committees. During the year, particular attention was given to the state of conservation of the Historic Villages of Shirakawa-go and Gokayama threatened by tourism development. A World Heritage symposium was held on November 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 in the City of Ise, Japan under the auspices of ICOMOS-CIIC and Japan’s ICOMOS National Committee. Participants studied and discussed the contributions World Heritage makes to building and maintaining world peace. As a result, the Ise Declaration was adopted. ICOMOS Japan published 4 newsletters. During the year, ICOMOS Japan was saddened by the loss of Mr Yoshiyuki Ushikawa and Mr Kuniaki Oi. ICOMOS Japan hosts a web site at: <http://www.japan-icomos.org>

## Kazakhstan

ICOMOS Kazakhstan has 16 members. President Natalia Turekulova represented the National Committee at the ICOMOS Advisory and Executive Committee meetings in Malta and at the World Heritage Working Group meeting. ICOMOS Kazakhstan has one representative in one International Scientific Committee.

Concerning activities related to World Heritage, the National Committee was involved as an advisor for the preparation of the master plan for the territories adjacent to Almaty City. A mission of 4 experts was sent to the sites of Otrar, Sauran, Akyrtas and Balasgun on the Great Silk Roads (nominations to the World Heritage List that are in preparation) and also to the World Heritage site of Tamgaly petroglyphs. The results were presented to the responsible authorities. The earthen vernacular architecture sites of Sary Arka Steppes were included in the 2010 World Monuments Fund Monuments Watch and a pilot project for the conservation of the sites is underway. The National Committee of Kazakhstan translated the ICOMOS Charter on Cultural Routes into Russian.

## Korea, Republic of



Celebration ICOMOS Korea's 10th anniversary

The Republic of Korea ICOMOS National Committee has 94 members. It held 6 board meetings and 1 General Assembly. The board discussed the current issues regarding training of experts, international activities of members and conservation and preservation of World Heritage. ICOMOS Korea has 7 representatives in 7 International Scientific Committees.

ICOMOS Korea organised the "World Heritage Forum 2009" in Gyeongju-si that dealt with different aspects of the World Heritage nomination process, conservation and planning issues. Participants discussed the management of world cultural heritage with 200 participants in attendance; six lectures and a vivid discussion on the present state and the future of the world heritage sites were made. A special emphasis was laid on how the world heritage nominations

and tentative lists are made and how conservation management policies were executed from a policy maker's point of view.

Celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, ICOMOS Korea held a commemorative symposium on 17 April. Gustavo Araoz, President of ICOMOS International came from the USA to celebrate the occasion and make a keynote presentation on "ICOMOS and Cultural Heritage". Two lectures were presented - "The Inspection Experience Of Yin Xu, China" and "Jeju Volcanic Island And Lava Tubes In Korea" – both sites were inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2007 and 2006, respectively. The celebration culminated with the proclamation of "ICOMOS Korea Vision 2020" a resolution to increase activities related to the preservation of Korea's cultural heritage. The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Korea. The most problematic case was Jongmyo - Royal Shrine of Joseon - that was threatened by development of the surrounding area. As a result of the discussion jointly held by ICOMOS Korea and the authorities of Seoul Metropolitan Government, the authorities decided to further examine the case and to postpone any decision related to the site's development.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Korea contributed to the consultative report of Hahoe and Yangdong Historic Villages by organising a series of onsite inspections and meetings. Answering a request from The Korean National University of Cultural Heritage, ICOMOS Korea gave three lectures in "The Training Program for Cultural Heritage Experts Overseas" in Seoul. ICOMOS Korea speakers and commentators participated in many cultural heritage-related gatherings throughout the year.

"1999-2009: A decade of ICOMOS Korea" was published in Korean, marking the National Committee's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. It presents a retrospective of the Committee's accomplishments and offers a vision for the future. "Preparatory Study of Cultural Heritage Sites in the Republic of Korea Related to Silk Road" was also published in Korean. ICOMOS Korea was awarded the Meritorious Prize by the Cultural Heritage Administration of Korea for distinguished services concerning the inscription of the Royal Tombs of the Joseon Dynasty to UNESCO's World Heritage List. ICOMOS Korea hosts a web site at: [www.icomos-korea.or.kr](http://www.icomos-korea.or.kr)

## Lithuania



ICOMOS Lithuania organised a meeting in the Technical Museum of Lithuania

On the International Day for Monuments and Sites the Department of Cultural Heritage of Lithuania and ICOMOS Lithuania organised a meeting in the Technical Museum of Lithuania, which was recently established in Vilnius' first Power Station. Heritage preservation specialists from all regions of Lithuania participated in the event. Also on International Day for Monuments and Sites, the State Cultural Reserve of Vilnius Castles Department, in collaboration ICOMOS Lithuania, has organised every year since 2005 a traditional monuments and sites cleaning up day. This special day's activities are an opportunity to raise the public's awareness to the diversity of our heritage and the efforts required to protect and conserve it, as well as to draw attention to its vulnerability.

Special attention was given this year to the hills that are endangered, particularly to the Bekesh Hill which is named after the Hungarian military leader of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania - Caspar Bekesh, who was buried there in 1580.

Concerning World Heritage related activities; a representative of ICOMOS Lithuania was invited to participate in the monitoring group for the historic centre of Vilnius. ICOMOS Lithuania created a working group to prepare proposals for changes to the national law on the protection of immovable cultural heritage. The working group met 10 times during the year. Neringa Sarkauskaite participated in an international meeting in Trakai with restorers from Poland. Lithuanian and Polish restorers discussed issues related to the conservation process of Trakai church.

## Luxembourg

ICOMOS Luxembourg has 80 members. It held its annual meeting in Luxembourg. The National Committee organised a symposium in Kassel on the theme "Hortus ex machina". In the Heritage@Risk report, ICOMOS Luxembourg published an article on the Adolphe Bridge in Luxembourg threatened by demolition. Further to regular exchanges and discussions with the responsible authorities, the threat of demolition was removed. Concerning World Heritage related activities, 15 Committee members participated to a site visit of the Notre-Dame à Trèves church, currently under restoration. The church's Mural painting conservation work was entrusted to Mr Thomas Lutgen a member of ICOMOS Luxembourg. ICOMOS Luxembourg was saddened by the loss of its vice-president, Mr Jean Prum.

## Macedonia



Celebration of ICOMOS Macedonia's 15th anniversary

ICOMOS Macedonia has 134 members. The National Committee in Macedonia held 11 meetings and its General Assembly. The Executive Board held 6 meetings and discussed programme activities and ICOMOS Forum content. The Financial Supervisory Board held 1 meeting, the Programme Collegiums 3 meetings and ICOMOS Forum held 1 session. The Publications Board held 1 meeting. ICOMOS Macedonia had 41 representatives in 15 International Scientific Committees. ICOMOS Macedonia organised 2 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the experience gained during the Architectural Conservation specialisation and the second one various issues concerning the treatment of Sacral Cultural Heritage before, during and after man-made or natural disasters.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised a press conference and an ICOMOS Forum on the theme “Cultural Heritage and Science”, held in Strumica. The new web site of Macedonia ICOMOS was presented on this occasion. On April 25 a site visit was organised to St. Bogorodica Eleusa Monastery, Veljusa and St. Leontie Monasteries, the archaeological sites Vodoca, Banya Bansko and Carevi fortress. Other site visits were organised to Belasica Mountain and Kolesino falls. More than 80 participants, members and non-members of ICOMOS Macedonia participated. ICOMOS Macedonia, ICOM Macedonia and Blue Shield Macedonia National Committees collaborated to organise an event on the theme “Sacral Cultural Heritage in the Republic of Macedonia in the Event of Armed conflict and in Emergency Situation: relations owners, users and society”; it was held in Skopje. 7 papers were presented and 75 people attended.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Macedonia’s president, Mr Zoran Pavlov, was Coordinator of the expert team for the preparation of the Management Plan for the Natural and Cultural Heritage in Ohrid Region, a World Natural and Cultural Site. During the year, the National Committee of Macedonia had bilateral contacts with other National Committees from the SEE region (Serbia, Slovenia, Croatia, Bulgaria, Albania, and Greece). ICOMOS Macedonia organised in Skopje an event to celebrate the 15th anniversary of its foundation in 1994. During this event, 6 members of ICOMOS Macedonia and 1 Institution were awarded commemorative inscriptions. ICOMOS Macedonia members Mr Lazar Sumanov and Mr Goran Patcev were appointed by the Ministry of Culture to the expert working group preparing the National Strategy for Cultural Heritage Digitalization.

ICOMOS Macedonia concluded a Memorandum of Understanding with The State Centre of Crisis Management for 2009 and President Mr Zoran Pavlov was delegated as its representative. During the year, ICOMOS Macedonia was saddened by the loss of Mr Milan Ivanovski, one of its founder and longest-standing members.

## Mexico



After 45 years of existence, ICOMOS Mexico now has its own headquarters in the XXth Century Colonia Roma, Mexico City. It is a 1926 house built by architect R. Weber.

ICOMOS Mexico has 156 members. The National Committee in Mexico held 3 General Assembly meetings, one of which was held in June with the elections for President and Vice President and the designation of 19 board members. The board held 6 meetings and discussed the election of the new President and Vice President for the term 2009 – 2012, the Federico Sescosse Prize, the theme and place of the XXIXth Symposium, new members, the Committee’s new headquarters, and collaboration with governmental instances and universities. ICOMOS Mexico had 4 representatives in 4 International Scientific Committees. ICOMOS Mexico concluded a Memorandum of Understanding with AMDROC in order to exchange information on heritage conservation and awareness in their work. The Committee has 250 institutional members.

ICOMOS Mexico held 2 open seminars. The first one was held during the annual meeting of the 20th Century National Scientific Committee and the second during the 29th International Symposium that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the Regional Strategies for the Preservation of 20th Century Architecture and Problems derived from the Concept of Authenticity with 100 participants, 20 lectures and a vivid discussion on the present state and on the future of 20th Century Heritage, tangible and intangible. The second one was held during our 29th International Symposium on the Conservation of Cultural Heritage and discussed the Cities and their Heritage, Engagement with Integral Planning, with four subthemes: The city and its historical centre considered as an indissoluble unit; Legal instruments that favour its ordering, as well as the protection of its heritage and the surroundings; The need to have management and conservation plans in cities with cultural heritage; Participation of the Civil Society in the conservation of cultural and natural values; Contemporary interventions in monuments and historical centres. A special emphasis was placed on how the heritage of monuments and sites has been treated in the past and how the current issues of planning and management should be approached. In the framework of the 29th Symposium, the members discussed the future of conservation of the cities and their regions with the help of 5 introductory lectures that focused on the main theme and the four subthemes; with 180 participants and 43 lecturers, 4 from other nationalities: Spain, Costa Rica, Uruguay and Venezuela and from 20 different Mexican states in Zacatecas. The Zacatecas Charter was defined to highlight the new paradigm of regional conservation and the inclusion of the civil society in every management plan. The Charter has been accepted by many specialists who have foreseen its application in other regions of the world. The original was drafted in Spanish and is translated into English.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised a gathering in one of the most outstanding neo-classical buildings in Mexico City's historical centre: the Palacio de Minería. The general theme was: Heritage and Science and had the participation of CONACULTA, INAH, INBA, UNAM, GDF and the attendance of more than 200 persons. After the ceremony, the Mexico City Government offered a guided tour to the recovered and illuminated public spaces. Other cities also celebrated the day: Zacatecas, Querétaro, Mazatlán, Puebla, San Luis Potosí, Morelia with expositions, conferences, theatre, interviews on radio and television.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Mexico held a seminar and made a diagnosis on the possibilities of inscribing as Mixed Heritage in the World Heritage tentative list the Region of "Los Altos de Chiapas and its commercial and religious centre: San Cristobal de las Casas" or in the Intangible Cultural Heritage List. Members accompanied Francesco Bandarin, Director of the World Heritage Centre in his visit to the Agave Cultural Landscape to inaugurate the memorial plaques of the 2006 inscription in the World Heritage List. The Committee participated in the inscription on UNESCO's Intangible Heritage List of:

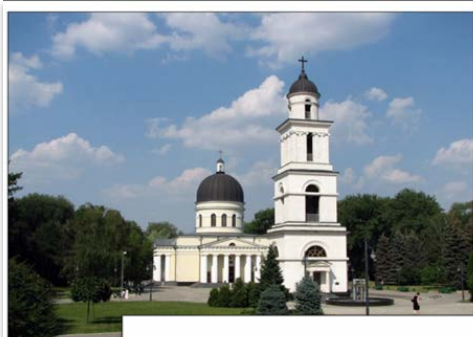
- The Ritual Ceremony of the Flyers, September 2009
- Places of Memory and Live Traditions of the Otomi-chichimecas of Toliman and the Monolithic Stone of Bernal, Guardian of a Sacred Territory. September 2009

ICOMOS Mexico published five electronic newsletters during the year, presenting news of its activities and of other related associations, including one on the conclusions of the 29th Symposium of Zacatecas. The Committee hosts a web site: [www.icomos.org.mx](http://www.icomos.org.mx).

During the year, ICOMOS Mexico was saddened by the loss of Mr Felipe Solis, General Manager of the National Museum of Anthropology, specialist in the Mexica-Aztec culture and principal organizer of the world wide expositions: Mexico: Splendours of 30 centuries, Olmec Art in Mesoamerica and The Aztec Empire and one of its longest-standing members. ICOMOS Mexico conferred the award "Federico Sescosse Prize" to one of its members, Mr Sergio Zaldivar for his continuous effort in the preservation of monuments, especially the structural and sub-excavation works at the Mexico City Cathedral. The Society for the Defence of the Artistic Treasures of Mexico conferred an award to Mr Juan Benito Artigas for his research work on the history of Mexican architecture.

## Moldova

ICOMOS Moldova has 8 members. The National Committee in the Republic of Moldova held 2 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 5 board members. The board held 2 meetings and discussed an action plan for 2010 and cultural heritage protection issues in Moldova.



Metropolitan cathedral from Chisinau

A national conference was organised by the National Committee on the theme "Cultural Heritage Protection in the City of Chisinau" with 46 participants. The Committee also organised a press conference on International Monuments Day. ICOMOS Moldova has a Memorandum of Understanding with ICOMOS Romania to exchange information on cultural heritage protection.

## Monaco

ICOMOS Monaco has 16 members. The National Committee in Monaco held 4 meetings and its annual meeting with elections for a president and 5 board members. The board held 4 meetings and discussed the Monaco Oceanographic Museum's (Albert 1 Foundation) nomination to UNESCO's World Heritage List. ICOMOS Monaco has 1 representative in 1 International scientific Committee. ICOMOS Monaco is a member of the steering committee for the conservation and restoration of the Le Corbusier cottage and the Eileen Gray villa in Roquebrune Cap Martin. An ICOMOS Monaco member was invited as an observer on the international committee for the conservation of Angkor Wat in Cambodia. Members participated to conservation projects for the Mont des Mules oppidum at Beausoleil and the Saint Martin de Peille church (both in the Maritime Alps). ICOMOS Monaco has prepared a cooperation agreement with ICOMOS France to exchange information concerning the nomination of Monaco's Oceanographic Museum to UNESCO's World Heritage List.



## Mongolia

ICOMOS Mongolia has 6 members. ICOMOS national Committee of Mongolia in close cooperation with the Mongolian National Commission for UNESCO and the Institute of Archaeology, Mongolian Academy of Sciences worked on the preparation of a serial World Heritage nomination and Management Plan for the Rock Art Sites in Mongolia, this work was funded by the UNESCO World Heritage Centre. Two members, N. Urtnasan who was serving as Secretary-General of Mongolian National Commission for UNESCO and D. Tseveendorj who is Director of the Institute of Archaeology, Mongolian Academy of Sciences led and managed this project.

Within the framework of this activity, ICOMOS Mongolia contributed to the revision of Mongolia's Tentative List. Committee members have also participated in the organization of the "UNESCO Workshop for World Heritage Education And Education Of Sustainable Development In Mongolia" in Orkhon Valley cultural landscape which is the second Mongolia heritage site to be inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List as well as a conference on the theme "Conservation Of Biological And Cultural Diversity In Mongolia Through Sacred Sites" in Ulaanbaatar.

## Netherlands

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## New Zealand

ICOMOS New Zealand has 81 members. The executive board met 4 times. The annual meeting was held in the small town of Kaikoura, where almost half the membership enjoyed a weekend of mini lectures and visits to historic towns, mission sites and New Zealand Wars sites, and good company.

The key focus for the National Committee was the revision of the national charter. The ICOMOS New Zealand Charter for the Conservation of Places of Cultural Heritage Value is now over 10 years old. In its lifetime the charter has become the leading national document to guide heritage conservation work and is in wide use amongst professionals, government agencies and other users. However ten years worth of heritage conservation work, development of methodologies, and also case law has meant the charter was due a revision. This process has been undertaken by a small working group, who have thoroughly enjoyed the stimulating discussions that have ensued. The charter review process will be complete in 2010. The National Committee plans to follow up with a charter in Maori and a new illustrated charter.

The key pieces of legislation for the protection and management of cultural heritage in New Zealand are both under review. The heritage provisions of the Historic Places Act 1993 and the Resource Management Act 1991 are both to be amended, with potentially adverse results for heritage. ICOMOS New Zealand is closely involved in this process, through keeping its members informed and meeting with key political officials. Concerning World Heritage related activities, in 2006 New Zealand issued a comprehensively revised World Heritage Tentative List. It included Kerikeri Basin, Waitangi Treaty Grounds, Auckland Volcanic Cones and Napier Art Deco. The executive board has been in correspondence with the New Zealand Minister of Conservation on new cultural nominations. It has become clear that the agent of the State Party has put a low priority on the cultural properties in the Tentative List. The priorities are the Waters and Seabed of Fiordland National Park (an extension of Te Wahipounamu) and Kahurangi National Park. This is despite the New Zealand delegation at the Pacific World Heritage meeting in Cairns, November 2008 putting a draft priority on one cultural nomination.

Two executive board members have undertaken a detailed piece of research into opportunities for training in any aspect of heritage conservation in New Zealand at tertiary level. The results are not heartening – opportunities are fragmented and ad hoc. However it gives us valuable data on which to base a case for stronger training opportunities and we will be listing the material on the web. ICOMOS NZ hosts a web site at: <http://www.icomos.org.nz/>

## Norway



Røros World Heritage Site

ICOMOS Norway has 219 members. The National Committee in Norway held 1 meeting and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 6 board members and 1 deputy board member. The Executive board held 7 meetings and discussed:

- strategic plan 2008-2011
- list of scientific experts for work on heritage sites
- course on rules and management of WHS
- extension of Røros world heritage site
- Norway's Tentative List
- EEA and Norway Grants: project on World Heritage together with ICOMOS Poland
- World Heritage and human rights
- CIAV annual meeting and seminar 2010 to take place in Norway 'Vernacular Crossing Borders'

The Advisory Committee held four meetings and discussed:

- Tentative List and serial nominations
- Heritage values - changes through time
- Our attitude to conflicts and wars
- The Norwegian Cultural Heritage Year 2009 – heritage of the daily life
- The work of the Advisory Committee as related to the Executive board
- Issues for the Executive board
- strategic plan 2008-2011

ICOMOS Norway has representatives in 21 International Scientific Committees. It organised 5 open seminars:

- Seminar one, March 2009. 'Cultural heritage climatic change and wooden architecture', Oslo, five lectures and c. 30 participants.
- Seminar two, November 2009. 'Doco-rococo – the architecture of the 18th century', at Hafslund Manor, Sarpsborg. 18 lectures and excursion. 100 participants.
- Course for scientific experts for work on heritage sites, October 2009, in Oslo. Four lectures and workshop. 26 participants.
- CIAV Norway meeting: 'How to work on impossible constructions', at Frogner Manor, Oslo, August 2009, five participants.
- ICOFORT Norway seminar: 'Vauban sites', March 2009 in Oslo. Five lectures with Nicolas Faucherre, Nantes, as keynote speaker, c. 20 participants.

ICOMOS Norway has continued its contribution to the renovation works concerning the preservation and restoration of cultural heritage of the UN building in New York. This initiative is in agreement with the UN and Norway's Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The industrial site Odda, as part of the proposed industrial heritage sites Odda/Tyssedal/Rjukan, was given special attention to avoid demolition of structures.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Norway contributed to the revision of Norway's Tentative List by attending a series of consultation meetings in Oslo and Røros. The proposed industrial heritage sites Odda/Tyssedal/Rjukan was given special attention as was the extension of Røros World Heritage site. Marie Louise Anker gave a site visit report for a proposed World Heritage site in Sweden. Information is shared regularly on ICOMOS Norway's website [www.icomos.no](http://www.icomos.no)

Partnerships with other Committees and/or affinity organizations: TICCIH - Conservation of the Industrial Heritage, congress in Germany 2009/autumn: (Ms) Randi Bårtvedt. ICOMOS Norway is member of Blue Shield Norway (BSN). BSN held 3 meetings.

## Pakistan

ICOMOS Pakistan has 34 members. The National Committee in Pakistan was not able to conduct any formal board meetings; however, informal meetings took place between members while visiting each other's city. E-mail exchanges also took place concerning pressing issues of threatened heritage.

ICOMOS Pakistan commemorated the International Day of Monuments and Sites on 18th April by organising a presentation and lecture at the ICOMOS Pakistan Secretariat by experts who worked on the restoration and structural consolidation of Shish Mahal (Lahore Fort) a UNESCO World Heritage Site. In addition Dr Kaleemullah Lashari also briefed the participants on the ongoing projects of the Department of Antiquities, Government of Sindh; this was followed by an overview of heritage issues in the country by Arif Hasan. The formal lecture session was followed by a visit to the newly restored block of NED City Campus, inaugurated a day earlier by the Governor of Sindh Dr Ishrat ul Ebad Khan. The program concluded with screening of a documentary on "How Art Created the World" by Dr Nigel Spivey. Present ongoing research activities included inventory documentation of Karachi's historic quarters and Shikarpur historic town. ICOMOS Pakistan hosts a web site at: [http://www.neduet.edu.pk/arch\\_planning/ICOMOS/index.htm](http://www.neduet.edu.pk/arch_planning/ICOMOS/index.htm)

## Panama



Members of ICOMOS Panama visit Fuerte San Lorenzo, a World Heritage Site, July 19, 2009

ICOMOS Panama has 13 associate members. On International Monuments Day on 18 April, the Committee organised a field visit to the archaeological site of Panama Viejo in collaboration with the Patronato de Panamá Viejo. Students and the public participated to this activity.

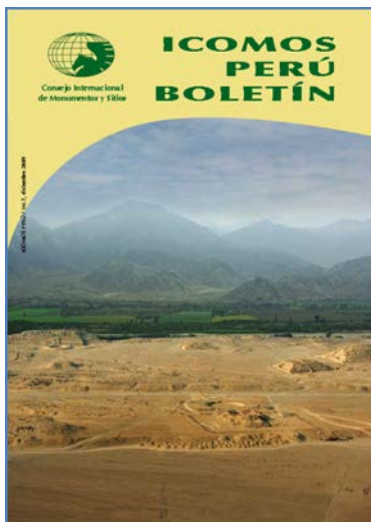
ICOMOS Panama is constantly alert to the actions that threaten the historical heritage of the Old Quarter of Panama City. In 2009 it denounced to the authorities of the Dirección Nacional de Patrimonio Histórico – DNPH, the lack of enforcement of conservation laws and regulations in two projects located in Cathedral Square and the Hotel Central, that resulted in the destruction of architectural elements of a building of great historical value; it also denounced PH Plaza Independencia, a residential

development project that violated the conservation regulations and the height limits allowed by law. ICOMOS Panama, in collaboration with other civil society organizations organised protests and activities for raising public awareness on the importance of protecting our heritage. The Committee participated in meetings with the Oficina del Casco Antiguo and the DNPH to develop the emergency plan for the enhancement of the Casco Antiguo.

Concerning the preparation of plans for the extension of the coastal strip of the city of Panama to the access area of the Casco Antiguo, ICOMOS Panama held meetings with officials of the Ministerio de Obras Públicas to ensure that the project does not conflict with integrity and preservation of the Casco Antiguo. ICOMOS Panama held talks with the Patronato de Panama Viejo and the Ministerio de Obras Públicas, on the need to relocate the Cincuentario Avenue road which passes through the archaeological site of Panama Viejo, thus compromising the integrity of the site structures. It also advised the Patronato de Panama Viejo concerning the revitalization project of the Plaza Mayor.

The Committee participated in meetings with the DNPH to develop the emergency plan for the enhancement of the sites of Portobelo and San Lorenzo. During the visit of the Reactive Monitoring Mission to prepare a report on the state of conservation of Panama's World Heritage Sites, ICOMOS Panama collaborated, providing information and the logistics necessary for the preparation of this report. ICOMOS Panama advised the DNPH and USAID on the project to build the visitor center at Fort San Lorenzo. Concerning World Heritage related activities, the Committee organised visits to Panama's World Heritage Sites. During the year, members visited the Archaeological Site of Panama Viejo, where Patronato de Panamá Viejo described the projects being undertaken on the site. Committee members visited the sites of Portobelo and San Lorenzo, to verify the condition and existing threats. The Committee monitored regularly the intervention and restoration projects carried out in the Casco Antiguo of Panama City. ICOMOS Panama works closely with all governmental and nongovernmental organizations that work towards the conservation of heritage, providing technical advice on issues related to conservation and enhancement of World Heritage Sites. ICOMOS de PANAMA organised visits to National Historic Heritage Sites, such as the Escuela Normal de Santiago, the church of San Francisco de la Montaña, and the church of Nata de los Caballeros.

## Peru



ICOMOS Peru has 72 members. The National Committee in Peru held 8 meetings and its annual meeting in Lima with election of 6 board members. ICOMOS Peru sponsored the creation of the Conference-workshop CPA 2009 "Conservation of Architectural Heritage: Advances in the Structural Aspects". The event was co-organised by Pontificia Universidad Católica del Peru (PUCP) and the San Antonio de Abad de Cuzco National University (UNSAC). The event took place in the city of Cuzco ([www.pucp.edu.pe/taller/cpa-cusco2009](http://www.pucp.edu.pe/taller/cpa-cusco2009)). The conference workshop was a first step in creating an interdisciplinary joint program on conservation of architectural monuments. The event was attended mainly by engineers, architects, archaeologists, historians and other professionals related to the conservation of architectural heritage.

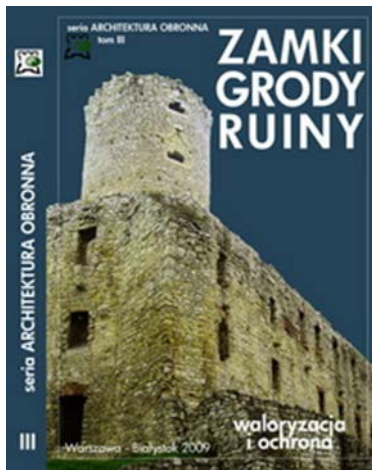
On International Monuments and Sites Day, the National Committee organised a symposium, with the sponsorship of Ricardo Palma University, of Proyecto Especial Arqueológico Caral-Supe (PEACS) and "COMUNICA2". The event, opened by ICOMOS-Peru's President, was attended by several expert speakers, who gave 6 lectures.

During the year, ICOMOS Peru paid special attention to the rejection of bill N° 3464 which tried to modify several articles of the Law N° 28296 (State Law on National Cultural Heritage). The bill was to remove responsibilities on issues related to conservation, enhancement, preservation and the appropriate use of the Peru's cultural heritage from the National Cultural Institute (NCI) and assign them to the National Parliament of Peru. The National Committee gave its opinion before the legislators of the Peruvian State and sent several inter-institutional reports to express its complete rejection and disagreement with the aforementioned bill. ICOMOS Peru also participated in a protest march to the Peruvian Parliament co-organised by many cultural heritage national institutions. These interagency efforts contributed to the final archiving of the controversial bill that contradicted and violated the provisions requiring Peru to protect its cultural property. These provisions are written in the Constitution of Peru. But the repeal of Supreme Decree No. 0009 / 2009-ED is still pending.

ICOMOS Peru provided continued support for organizations that work for the conservation and protection of Peru's cultural heritage. Among its main actions the National Committee supported Peru's College of Architects which denounced the destruction of the Convent of San Agustín in Cuzco; the demolition was approved by the Technical Committee-INC CUSCO despite the fact that the convent had a National Cultural Heritage status. ICOMOS Peru recommended that the National Institute of Culture (INC) implement the decision taken at the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual General Assembly held in Quebec City: "Recommend to the National Institute of Culture and the Government of Peru that the decision of removing a monument or site from its status of cultural heritage is assumed by a 'technical committee' composed of experts with the participation of ICOMOS Peru and based on a specific technical profile prepared by a qualified staff". Others important actions by ICOMOS Peru included support for the denunciations of the threat of destruction of many components of Chan-Chan, objection to the destruction of a section of the Qhapaq Ñan or Inka's Royal Road in Huanuco Pampa-Iscoyampa, and rejection of the demolition of the Sanctuary of the Lord of Luren.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, the National Committee organised meetings to support the nomination of the Sacred City of Caral to UNESCO's World Heritage List. Also, in Sevilla, Spain, ICOMOS Peru monitored the process of inclusion of the Sacred City of Caral to the World Heritage List. The seventh bulletin of ICOMOS Peru was published as part of the commemoration of International Day for Monuments and Sites. The National Committee reactivated its plan to ask various institutions to take a national stand to collaborate and contribute to the protection of Peru's cultural heritage from within their respective jurisdictions. ICOMOS Peru responds daily to requests for information and complaints about the destruction of Peru's cultural heritage. To achieve this, ICOMOS Peru has established a communication channel with its partners that allow it to continuously monitor the state of conservation of Peru's monuments and sites. It also keeps members informed about the active work of ICOMOS International and its various National Committees.

## Poland



ICOMOS Poland has 163 members. The National Committee in Poland held 1 meeting and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 9 board members in January. The board held 5 meetings. ICOMOS Poland had 10 representatives in 7 International Scientific Committees. ICOMOS Poland held 3 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the state of Paslek with lectures and a discussion about the current condition and future conservation of wall paintings in gothic churches. In the framework of the international conference, the members discussed the future and conservation of modern architecture, especially in northern Poland – Gdynia. In October ICOMOS Poland organised a conference with 120 participants and 21 lecturers from 6 countries in Ciechanowiec to discuss methods for the conservation of ruins in Poland and their applications in other regions of the world.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised a press conference followed by a visit to the threatened site of Lezajsk. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Poland contributed to the revision of the Belarus Tentative List by organising consultation meetings in the Castle of Mir, and in the Castle of Nieswiez. It held a conference in Mir (Republic of Belarus) on the subject of "The Castle in Mir - Resources to Create a Museum Exhibition". During the year, particular attention was given to the state of conservation of historic castles in Mir and Nieswiez in the Republic of Belarus threatened by inappropriate methods of conservation and rehabilitation.

### Publications:

- Adaptacja obiektów zabytkowych do współczesnych funkcji /The adaptation of historical objects for modern use
- Zamki, grody, ruiny – waloryzacja i ochrona /Castles, cities, ruins – evaluation and protection
- Modernizm w Europie, modernizm w Gdyni /Modernism in Europe, modernism in Gdynia
- Biuletyn Informacyjny PKN ICOMOS /The newsletter ICOMOS-POLAND/, number from 1/2009 to 5/2009 (electronic version)

ICOMOS Poland published 5 newsletters and 3 books on specific topics, including wall paintings, modern architecture, and ruins and castles. The Committee hosts a web site at: [www.icomos-poland.org](http://www.icomos-poland.org) where electronic newsletters are available. Many publications of earlier years have been sold out.

In addition to the themes mentioned above, the Committee activated its sub-committees on:

- Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration - rules of historical ruins' protection, translation of international chapters in Polish
- Fortifications and Military Heritage - castles, ruins, protection problems
- 20th Century Heritage – modernism, protection problems
- Wall paintings
- Historic Towns and Villages
- Cultural Landscapes and gardens
- Sacred Architecture, Cistercian routes.

The Committee had 25 international cultural heritage conservation charters and declarations from 1931-2008 translated into Polish. ICOMOS Poland signed Partnership Agreements in 2009 with the National Cultural Centre - Ministry of Culture as well as with ICOMOS Belarus. During the year, ICOMOS Poland was saddened by the loss of Mr Jacek Cydzik, one of its longest-standing members. ICOMOS Poland welcomed the award of the prestigious Jan Zachwatowicz Annual Prize to 2 of its members: Mr Jan Tajchman, and Mr Marian Arszynski, and to ICOMOS Germany's Mr Michael Petzet.

## Portugal



Members of the Portuguese executive committee and the advisory board working together

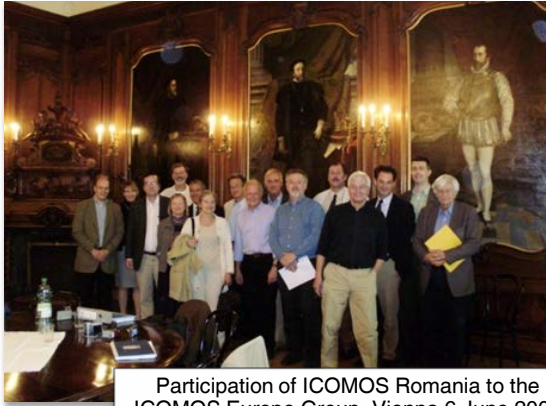
ICOMOS Portugal has 70 members. The National Committee in Portugal held its annual meeting with the elections for president and 37 board members in March. Two other meetings also took place in March and November. In these two meetings the 2009 proposed activities and questions related with World Heritage sites were discussed. Architectural heritage of Portuguese origin in the world was also discussed.

ICOMOS Portugal held two open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the conservation of historic urban areas with 120 participants, twelve lectures and a vibrant discussion on the various issues raised by planning and management of historic urban areas. The second seminar focused on the main threats, the conservation and the future of twentieth-century architectural heritage with the participation of prominent experts.

On International Monuments Day, ICOMOS Portugal collaborated with the national authority in the organization of more than 400 activities all over the country. ICOMOS Portugal organised a national all-day conference entitled "Cultural Heritage as an Aim and an Opportunity". The conference's focus was the relationship between science and heritage, but issues concerning heritage policies were also discussed. The conference was under the patronage of the President of the Portuguese Republic (the Head of State) with the presence of the Ministry of Culture; it was organised in collaboration with IGESPAR (National Authority on Architectural Heritage), the University of Coimbra and PP-CULT, a non-governmental organization that brings together 17 national and local non-governmental organizations on cultural heritage protection, of which ICOMOS is a founding member. The conference was followed by a visit to the Science Museum in Coimbra.

Concerning World Heritage related activities ICOMOS Portugal was a technical advisor in the preparation of the nomination to Portugal's tentative list of five municipalities located near its border. These Portuguese municipalities intend to prepare the nomination in partnership with similar borderline municipalities in Spain. ICOMOS Portugal hosts a web site at: <http://icomos.fa.utl.pt>

## Romania



Participation of ICOMOS Romania to the ICOMOS Europe Group, Vienna 6 June 2009

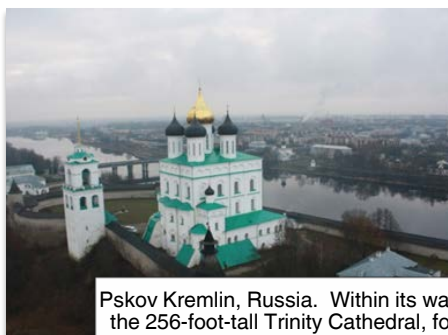
ICOMOS Romania has 59 members. The National Committee in Romania held its annual meeting together with the elections for a president and 7 board members. The board held 2 meetings and discussed the date of the election meeting and General Assembly and the possibility of adopting a common ethics agreement towards the preservation of the architectural heritage with the Romanian Order of Architects and the Romanian Registered Town Planners Association. ICOMOS Romania 7 has representatives in 6 International Scientific Committees.

ICOMOS Romania held 2 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the state of Cotroceni Church Iconostasis with 50 participants, 6 lectures and a vivid discussion on the opportunity of the re-instatement of the

iconostasis inside a newly erected replica of the former church of the Cotroceni Monastery (18th century). A second seminar gathered the representatives of the Romanian Order of Architects and the Romanian Registered Town Planners Association; discussions focused on how architects and town planners members or not of ICOMOS can contribute to the preservation of the architectural heritage in urban areas.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised a public conference on "Science and Heritage" hosted by the Romanian Academy with an attendance of 70 specialists. The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Romania. The most problematic cases were Rosia Montana archaeological and vernacular heritage. As a result of the statement jointly published by ICOMOS Romania and the Romanian Academy, the authorities of Romania continue to study the case and have postponed any decision related to the implementation of this proposed mining project that would destroy the local built heritage. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Romania repeatedly expressed its interest and support for the revision of Romania's Tentative List. During the year, particular attention was given to the state of conservation of the Dacian Fortresses threatened by vandalism and archaeological poaching.

## Russia



Pskov Kremlin, Russia. Within its walls rises the 256-foot-tall Trinity Cathedral, founded in 1138 and rebuilt in the 1690s

ICOMOS Russia has 189 members. The National Committee in Russia held 6 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 12 board members in November. The board held 2 meetings and discussed the inclusion of monuments on Russia's World Heritage Tentative List, the conservation of Russian World Heritage cultural sites, the training of specialists in the field of risk preparedness and the conservation of immovable cultural monuments in case of natural disasters. ICOMOS Russia had 3 representatives in 3 International Scientific Committees.

ICOMOS Russia extended its activities to collaborate with other ICOMOS National Committees of the CIS countries

and with ICOMOS National Committees of the European Union for the protection, conservation and restoration of the cultural heritage. In 2009 ICOMOS Russia held working meetings with the representatives of Bulgaria, Serbia, Germany and Armenia, Azerbaijan, Byelorussia, Moldova, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, and Turkmenistan to develop cooperation and collaboration with these Committees.

On International Monuments Day, the Russian National Committee of ICOMOS organised in Kazan during 17-19 April 2009 a Conference on the theme: "Protection, Conservation And Restoration Of World Heritage And National Cultural Monuments Of Russia". The Conference was organized in collaboration with Kazan Administration and the Russian National Commission for UNESCO. The President of Tatarstan, the General Secretary of the Russian UNESCO National Commission and the President of the Russian Committee of ICOMOS gave a press conference after the visit of the Kazan Kremlin, a World Heritage Site.

Concerning other World Heritage Related activities, ICOMOS Russia contributed to the revision of the Tentative list of the Russian Federation by organizing a series of consultation meetings in Uglich, Pskov, Tanais, Tver, Astrakhan, and Nijni Novgorod. During 2009, particular attention was given to the state of conservation of the Historic Centre of Saint Petersburg and related groups of monuments, Kizhi Pogost, the Historical Centre of Yaroslavl city, the Kremlin and Red Square in Moscow. The Russian National Committee of ICOMOS was one of the organisers of the meetings in St. Petersburg, Moscow, and Yaroslavl, all related to the conservation problems of the above mentioned World Heritage cultural properties in Russia. The representatives of the ICOMOS Russia participated in the ICOMOS/UNESCO monitoring mission in Yaroslavl in May 2009. ICOMOS Russia specialists participated also in the preparation of the nomination dossier of the “Russian Kremlins” presented to the World Heritage Centre.

ICOMOS Russia published 4 issues of its periodical newsletter, an information booklet entitled “Conservation and Restoration” (edition – 250 copies), and 2 booklets in Russian language, entitled “Waterproofing of cultural monuments” (20 pages, 50 copies of each). Current topics for ICOMOS Russia comprise:

- Preparatory activities of Russian World Heritage Site managers for the second presentation of the periodic reporting to UNESCO’s World Heritage Centre on the state of the World Heritage sites in Russia.
- Elaboration of the national monitoring format for immovable cultural properties.
- Follow-up on the implementation of the World Heritage Committee decisions concerning St. Petersburg, Yaroslavl and Kizhi Pogost.
- Elaboration of recommendations concerning risk preparedness and conservation of cultural monuments in case of natural disasters.
- Application of new technologies and materials for the restoration of cultural properties.

## Serbia

During 2009 the ICOMOS Serbia National Committee increased its membership by 10 new members. The ICOMOS Serbia National Committee decided to mark the International Day for Monuments and Sites on April 22, because of the Orthodox Easter (17-20 April) which was celebrated as a National Holiday in Serbia. Since this year’s international theme was “Heritage and Science”, the round table focused on the contribution of science and technology to the conservation of cultural heritage. Introductory lectures were given by Ph. D. Suzana Polić Radovanović, Scientific Research Associate from the centre for study and research of heritage, Goša Institute, by Ph.D. Slavica Ristić, Scientific Adviser from the centre for study and research of heritage, Goša Institute, and by Mr. Dragan Stanojević, MA, and restorer from the Institute for the Protection of Cultural Monuments of Serbia. The moderator was Mr. Aleksa Jelikić, R&D chemist from the Institute for the Protection of Cultural Monuments of Serbia.

A working group has worked on the draft of the National Committee’s new statutes. The draft has been completed and is currently the object of public hearings. It will be adopted by the General Assembly in May 2010.

## Slovenia

ICOMOS Slovenia has 52 members. The National Committee in Slovenia held its annual meeting in Ljubljana and discussed several articles of its new statutes to harmonise them with local legislation requirements. The annual meeting was held at the National Museum of Slovenia and vice-president Dr Roko Zarnič gave a lecture on “European Economic Recovery Plan – Protecting, Conservation And Enhancement Of Cultural Heritage Including Human Habitat”; this was followed by a report of the ICOMOS Executive and Advisory Committee meetings held in Malta, and a financial report and a review of the year’s activities; the delegates adopted the 2010 programme of activities. The National Committee had representatives in 1 International Scientific Committee and has 2 associate members.

ICOMOS Slovenia, in collaboration with the City Museum of Idrija and Rudnikom živega srebra v Idriji organised the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference “Environmental & Social – Economical Impact of HG Extraction and Its Use”; this activity was related to the nomination of Idrija to UNESCO’s World Heritage List. Dr Angela Rojas from Cuba and member of the ICOMOS Executive Committee visited Slovenia and had meetings at the Ministry of Culture of Slovenia. Members of ICOMOS Slovenia lectured during the symposium “Cultural Heritage and the Public” held at the Archaeological Department of Ljubljana University.

## Spain

ICOMOS Spain has 149 individual and 3 sustaining members. The National Committee in Spain held a General Assembly as well as several international scientific meetings. The next elections will be held in November 2010. The full board held 5 meetings and discussed a long list of topics. The Executive Committee met more than 20 times. ICOMOS Spain had 27 representatives in 16 International Scientific Committees.



On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised different activities and visits to different endangered sites. The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Spain. The most problematic cases were the following: Camino de Santiago (the route of Saint James), Toledo, Salamanca, Santiago de Compostela, Burgos, Sevilla, Barcelona, Ávila, Segovia, Ibiza, La Laguna, Soria, Numancia and the archaeological site of San Esteban in Murcia, all of them endangered by serious threats from different projects.

Members of the National Committee actively participated to congresses and scientific meetings at national and international level and also monitored the state of conservation of many properties inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List. These included the following meetings or sites:

- Visit to Salamanca for interviews with ICOMOS and the UNESCO World Heritage Centre representatives on the occasion of the reactive mission to the Old City of Salamanca.
- Participation in the meeting convened by the Town Council of Almeida (Portugal) on "The Iberian Border Bastions: Serial World Heritage".
- Participation in the International Conference "The Culture Routes" held in Siena, Italy.
- Participation in the 12th UNESCO International Forum Symposium held in Hanoi, Vietnam.
- Participation in the ICOMOS meeting on Historic Cities held in Athens, Greece.
- Attendance at the meeting convened by the Ministry of Culture to exchange impressions on the "Torre Cajasol" project in Seville.
- Attendance at the meeting convened by the Town Council of Elvas (Portugal) for the formalization of the Joint Bid of the Hispano-Portuguese Border Bastion Cities for Serial World Heritage nomination.
- Organization and hosting of the ICOMOS International Bureau meeting in Madrid, and presentation of ICOMOS Spain reports on Spanish sites on the World Heritage List.
- Visit to Toledo with representatives of the ICOMOS International Bureau to assess the town planning projects in the Vega de Toledo and the Visigothic archaeological site.
- Participation in the meeting of the World Heritage Committee held in Seville.
- Visit to Ibiza to draft a report on various aspects relating to its World Heritage character.
- Participation in the meetings convened by the Ministry of Culture on the Binomial Silver-Mercury nomination to UNESCO's World Heritage List.
- Participation in the Third Meeting of World Heritage Site Managers in Spain, organized by the Ministry of Culture concerning Ibiza.
- Participation in the meeting of the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee for Cultural Itineraries held in Ise and Owase, Japan.
- Participation in the annual meeting of the ICOMOS International Consultative Committee held in Valletta, Malta.
- Analysis of the study prepared for the Ministry of Culture on the integration of Contemporary Architecture into Historic City Centres.
- Visit to Ibiza for interviews with the person responsible for the reactive mission to the island designated by the ICOMOS international office.
- Attendance at the Conference on the Aqueduct of Segovia, held in that city.
- Attendance at the inauguration of the exhibition on "Calpe, Archaeology and Museum", held at the MARQ in Alicante and subsequent visit to the archaeological ruins of Calpe and the Mediaeval Town of Ifach.

Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Spain contributed to the revision of the Tentative List of Spain by organising and participating in a series of consultation meetings in different places over several years. It has also held many national and international meetings on World Heritage related topics in different locations from 1995 to present days. During the year, particular attention was given to the state of conservation of the above listed properties. At the invitation of ICOMOS' World Heritage Unit, members of ICOMOS Spain participated to the evaluation of various properties nominated to the World Heritage List (see list above). ICOMOS Spain has continued to support financially the participation of ICOMOS members from less fortunate National Committees from Europe, Asia, America and Africa to allow them to participate actively to important international events or activities. Also, the Committee has continued to translate into Spanish all important ICOMOS documents.

ICOMOS Spain collaborated with the UNESCO-ICOMOS Chair in Spain, the International Centre for the Study of Fortifications and Logistical Support, as well as the ICOMOS International Committee on Fortifications and Military Heritage (ICOFORT). Members of ICOMOS Spain participated in the Ministry of Culture's Jury to award national prizes for restoration and conservation of cultural properties. The Committee hosts a web site at: [www.esicomos.org](http://www.esicomos.org).

## Sweden

ICOMOS Sweden held an Annual meeting on 9 March 2010. 22 members were present. The Annual report for the year 2009 was approved as well as other administrative reports. The Executive was elected: Kerstin Westerlund Bjurström (President) 2 years, Stina Wedman (Secretary) 2 years and Thomas Adlercreutz 2 years. Daniel Kwiatkowski (Treasurer) 3 years, and other members Nils Ahlberg 3 years, Henrik Lindblad 2 years, Kjell Lundquist 3 years, and Karin Schibbye 3 years. ICOMOS Sweden has 18 members in 18 International Scientific Committees.

## Switzerland

ICOMOS Switzerland has 214 members. The National Committee in Switzerland held its annual meeting with the elections for 4 board members. The board held 5 meetings. International Monuments Day in Switzerland was held on 2009/09/12-13. Coordination of monuments day activities is done nationwide by NIKE (<http://www.nike-kultur.ch/index.php?id=26&L=1>).

ICOMOS Switzerland supports several active working groups. They are:

- Historic Gardens / Jardins historiques
- Historic Hotels and Restaurants / Hôtels et restaurants historiques
- Furniture and Historic Interiors / Meubles et intérieurs historiques
- Continuous Training / Formation permanente
- Cultural Heritage of Industrial Plants / Patrimoine culturel des installations industrielles
- Restoration in Havana / Restauration à La Havane
- Historic Cemeteries / Cimetières historiques

(see: <http://www.icomos.ch/fr/groupes-de-travail.html>)

ICOMOS Switzerland published 3 newsletters. The Historic Hotels and Restaurants working group awards every year the “historic hotel or restaurant of the year”. ICOMOS Switzerland hosts a web site at: <http://www.icomos.ch>

## Thailand



The cover of the publication entitled “Historic Buildings on Northern Chareon Krung Road”

The Committee has 186 active, 152 yearly, 68 young, 13 institutional, 3 honorary and 8 priest members. The National Committee in Thailand held 6 meetings and discussed the organisation of the monthly activities, the establishment of ICOMOS Thailand as a legal entity. ICOMOS Thailand had 9 representatives in 7 International Scientific Committees.

ICOMOS Thailand organised 12 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation. The first one discussed the state of Conservation and Management of Sacred Places in Thailand, India, Indonesia, Korea, Egypt, and Portugal with 100 participants, 19 lectures and a vivid discussion. A special emphasis was placed on how the heritage of sacred places has been treated in the past and how the current issues of planning and management should be approached. In the framework of drafting the ICOMOS Thailand Charter, the members discussed the future and conservation of local heritage with introductory lectures that focused on local traditions and urban heritage. Other seminars and technical visits included:

- 23rd Excursion “Sankhaburi, Ancient city”, Lopburi-Singhbur-Chainat, March 14th
- 24th Excursion “Silk Road in China”, April 4th -14th, 14 participants
- 24th Members get-together, “20th Century Heritage: Supreme Court”, National Museum, Bangkok, May 23rd, 50 participants
- 25th Members get-together “Scientific Heritage of Siam”, Chantrakasem Palace, Ayutthaya, August 29th, 50 participants
- 25th Excursion “Sacred places of the South”, in Chumporn-Surat Thani-Nakorn Si Thammarat, July 5th – 8th, 30 participants
- Public Hearing: “ICOMOS Thailand Charter” August 4th, Senate, Bangkok, 200 participants
- 26th Members get-together, “Heritages on Chareonkrung Road”, Bangkok, September 19th, 70 participants
- 26th Excursion “Khao Wang Cultural Route”, Ratchburi-Petchburi, October 17th, 30 participants
- 27th Members get-together, “Junction Communities I: from Ban Chin to Ku Tao”, Bangkok, November 21st, 50 participants
- 38th Excursion “Viengkosai-Nantaburi Si Nakorn Nan”, Prae-Nan, December 10th -13th, 20 participants
- Expert Meeting on “Preparing the Nomination file of Phuprabat”, Bangkok, December 19th, 50 participants

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised a visit to the threatened sites of Astronomical Heritage in the provinces of Ayutthaya and Petchburi. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Thailand contributed to the revision of the Tentative List of Phu Phrabat, Udonthani province by organising a series of consultation meetings in Bangkok and Udonthani. It held a seminar on Expert Consultation in Bangkok in December. This work still continues in 2010. With support from The Association of Siamese Architecture, ICOMOS Thailand organized the ASA Vernadoc Camp permitting the participation of 30 young professionals from Thailand and Finland. Since its founding in 2006, the ASA Vernadoc has benefited 30 young professionals.

The Committee published 3 newsletters; one of them presenting special themes, including ICOMOS Thailand Association and one on the conclusions of the draft Charter on Management of Cultural Heritage in Thailand seminar held in Chiangmai, Khonkaen, Phuket and Bangkok. The Committee hosts a web site at: [www.icomosthailand.org](http://www.icomosthailand.org). Most publications were published in 2 languages: Thai and English. Last year “The Historic Buildings on Northern Chareon Krung Road” by Yongtanit Pimonsathean was released in December. ICOMOS Thailand concluded a Memorandum of Understanding with the Fine Arts Department and the Association of Siamese Architects to exchange information on cultural and architectural heritage. The Committee also developed a partnership with SCANTE to oppose the demolition of the Supreme Court Building.

## Turkey

ICOMOS Turkey has 75 members. The National Committee in Turkey held 4 board meetings in Istanbul. The Committee has 15 representatives in 11 International Scientific Committees. ICOMOS Turkey organised a symposium in Mersin on the methods of documentation of the built cultural heritage.

On International Monuments Day ICOMOS Turkey organised a conference in Istanbul on the theme of “Science and Heritage”. The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ICOMOS Turkey. The most problematic cases were the World Heritage sites in Istanbul threatened by demolitions, reconstructions and inappropriate restorations. Further to a declaration published jointly by the Turkish Association of Architects and ICOMOS Turkey, the authorities have decided to review the issues raised. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS Turkey paid particular attention to the conservation of World Heritage sites in Turkey, especially those in Istanbul that were threatened by demolitions.

ICOMOS Turkey was saddened by the loss of Mr Ismet Okay, one of its longest-standing members. The Committee hosts a web site at: [www.icomos.org.tr](http://www.icomos.org.tr)

## United Kingdom



ICOMOS UK has 321 members. The UK Committee held 4 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president in July. ICOMOS UK had representatives in twenty-seven International Scientific Committees.

ICOMOS UK held 3 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of heritage conservation. On 7 May 2009, the Committee organised a one-day workshop at The Museum of the Order of St John in London to examine the history of the development of certain strands of science and scientific thought in relation to World Heritage and its presence on the World Heritage List. The gathering in Wales in July looked at and discussed the history and role of open-air museums in Europe as indicators of rural life before the industrial era. With participants from not only the UK, the lectures and discussions which followed raised very interesting questions about authenticity. Dr Thomas Bloch Ravn, Director of Den Gamle By (Denmark's National open-air museum) gave a fascinating talk on how his museum deals with issues around funding and cultural tourism.

In October, ICOMOS members from the UK and Ireland gathered together in Dublin to network and share views on new landscape initiatives and the theme of "Cultural Landscapes". It was also a chance to hear more about the preceding "Heritage Council 2009 Irish Landscape Conference", which looked more specifically at current strategic and legislative provisions and their relationship with securing sustainable development of landscapes and their management within the European Landscape Convention framework.

There was a good attendance at the ICOMOS UK Annual Christmas Lecture and Reception organised in association with The Royal Institution of Great Britain. The lecture was delivered by Prof. Clive Ruggles, Chair of the International Astronomical Union's Working Group on Astronomy and World Heritage, an organization that is currently working with UNESCO and ICOMOS to help identify, protect and preserve the most outstanding manifestations of global cultural heritage relating to the sky. In his lecture Clive described some major discoveries made in recent years on several ongoing research and fieldwork projects, mainly in Peru, the Hawaiian Islands, and various areas in Europe.

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Two newsletters were published, both of them presenting special themes, including the addition of the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Canal to the World Heritage list, the deletion of Dresden from the list, as well as the news from European and other international meetings. The Committee hosts a website [www.icomos-uk.org](http://www.icomos-uk.org).

In addition to the themes mentioned above, the Education and Training Sub-Committee started to work on the revision of the Education & Training Guidelines. The Cultural Landscape & Historic Gardens Sub-Committee continued working on a project to record views of London World Heritage sites.

ICOMOS UK has regular Landscape Working Group meetings in partnership with IUCN UK. During the year, ICOMOS UK was saddened by the loss of Sir Bernard Feilden, past President and one of its longest-standing members whose publication, "Conservation of Historic Buildings" is still a worldwide reference document. Other well-known publications include "An Introduction to Conservation" (1979); "Between Two Earthquakes" (1987); "Guidelines for Conservation" (India, 1989); and "Guidelines for Management of World Cultural Heritage Sites" (1993).

## Uruguay



ICOMOS Uruguay annual meeting in Montevideo

ICOMOS Uruguay has 23 members. The Committee held its annual meeting and the board held fourteen meetings plus two plenary meetings and discussed: A new Law of Cultural Heritage; Hosting activities to raise the level of awareness to cultural heritage: Homage to Margarita Xirgú (Catalonian theatre master, director and actress); Report sent to multiple institutions in Spain concerning the Torre Cajasol at Seville; Declaration of Heritage at risk in Uruguay: Arboreto Lussich, unique cultural site near Punta del Este (landscape, rare spices, forest reserve). ICOMOS Uruguay has 10 representatives in 7 International Scientific Committees.

ICOMOS Uruguay organised a workshop to discuss the urgent and essential review of Law 14040 (20 October 1971), known as “Ley de Patrimonio”, at the Museo de Artes Visuales of Montevideo and at other places. The

workshop had several stages. During the first stage, two public meetings were held with the participation of more than 70 experts. During the second stage, participants were divided in eight groups with specific subject areas: archaeology, architecture, cultural landscape, intangible heritage, documents, arts, communication and legal, management and institutional organization. After several sessions, the “Comisión Nacional del Patrimonio Cultural” preferred to lead the process. The National Committee understood and supported that decision. The last stage calls for the National Committee to hold internal discussions with the purpose of determining ICOMOS Uruguay’s institutional position (in process).

On International Monuments Day ICOMOS Uruguay organised a conference with lecture by Archeologist Alejo Cordero entitled: “La conservación del patrimonio arqueológico marítimo. Testimonios de Colonia del Sacramento”; it was held at the Museo Nacional de Artes Visuales in Montevideo.

## United States of America



The Committee has 478 international and young professional members. The National Committee in the USA held its annual meeting with elections to fill two vacancies of Trustees-at-large in New Orleans, Louisiana, in March. On July 1st, Ms Katherine Slick relinquished her duties as Treasurer of ICOMOS US to assume the position of Executive Director, in replacement of Mr Gustavo Arooz, who assumed the position of Senior Advisor to the Board.

Since the ICOMOS US International Exchange Program was Created in 1984, more than 600 young preservation professionals and over 70 countries have participated

The US National Committee held its annual Symposium from March 11 to 15, 2010 in New Orleans, Louisiana. The topic was “Preservation in Peril: Disaster Preparedness, Rapid Response, and Sustainable Recovery in the 21st Century”. As in the last 26 years, ICOMOS US staged its annual Summer Intern Exchange Program, in which 6 young professionals from 6 countries participated. One intern from Romania worked in the United States and five American interns worked with overseas host organizations in India, Ireland, Jamaica, Romania and Sweden.

US/ICOMOS hosted the first annual Ann Webster Smith Award dinner in September 2009. Russell E. Train was the recipient of the ICOMOS US2009 Ann Webster Smith Award for International Heritage Achievement. Train was honoured on September 30, 2009 for his leadership in creating the World Heritage Convention, which was adopted by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in 1972. He advised two American presidents that an international trust should be established to preserve the world’s outstanding scenic and historic sites for the benefit of all the world’s citizens. The United States was the first signatory to ratify the Convention, which has resulted in greater protection, conservation, and appreciation of sites around the world to date.

Concerning Heritage Alerts and Heritage@Risk, the most problematic cases in preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites were both in Miami, Florida: The Bacardi Building and the Marine Amphitheatre. Both buildings were eventually designated historic properties by the local authorities. Concerning World Heritage related activities, ICOMOS US regularly advises the National Park Service on maintaining the Tentative List of the United States. ICOMOS US also advises the professional teams nominating sites in the United States to the World Heritage List. The work of ICOMOS US in fostering the Hague Convention finally paid off with the 2009 Congressional ratification of the Convention, but not the two Protocols. ICOMOS US International Breakfast was held at the annual Preservation Conference in Nashville, Tennessee in October 2009.

ICOMOS US re-inaugurated its monthly e-news, sent electronically to members beginning in October for a total of 4 issues distributed in 2009. ICOMOS US continues to update and expand its website at: <http://www.usicomos.org>

## Venezuela



ICOMOS Venezuela has 15 members. The National Committee in Venezuela held 5 meetings and its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 4 board members. The board held five 5 meetings and discussed plans to update its organizational structure and statutes, and monitor and inspect national heritage places. ICOMOS Venezuela had 3 representatives in 3 International Scientific Committees. It will join the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Heritage Scientific Committee with two members and will designate one representative in the Earthen Architectural Heritage Scientific Committee.

ICOMOS Venezuela members attended different conferences and seminars:

- Forum and Exhibition about centennial Brazilian landscape architect Roberto Burle Marx, Planner of the Parque del Este.
- International meeting of the Centre of Cultural Building Documentation.

On International Monuments Day, the Committee organised the Forum "Heritage and Science"; it was held at the Architecture and Urbanism Faculty of The Central University of Venezuela, Ciudad Universitaria of Caracas, World Heritage site. Detailed description of the event is available at: <http://18april.icomos.org/index.php/2009/Events-2009/icomos-venezuela.html>

Concerning World Heritage related activities, particular attention was given to the state of conservation of University City of Caracas threatened by repeated acts of vandalism that partially damaged several spaces and works of art. Inspections and recommendations reports were provided to the authorities of the Council of Preservation and Development (COPRED), the agency in responsible for policies and management of this World Heritage Site at Central University of Venezuela. The Council of the University is looking into this situation.

## International Scientific Committees

ICOMOS has 28 International Scientific Committees: the complete list can be found in Attachment 2. Space does not permit an account of all their many activities in 2009, but here are some of them, listed alphabetically using their acronym. Not all Committees responded to the request to contribute to this report, which accounts for the incomplete representation. Full references and details of publications by the ISCs can be found in Attachment 4.

### Analysis and Restoration of Structures of Architectural Heritage (ISCARSAH)



ISCARSAH members meeting in Mostar, Bosnia-Herzegovina, July 2009

The International Committee on the Analysis and Restoration of Structures of Architectural Heritage has 49 expert, 6 honorary, 16 corresponding and 15 associate members. Inactive membership was reviewed and the membership list revised by dropping three members from the list. An updated membership list is available on the ISCARSAH website.

#### Statutory and Business meetings

ISCARSAH's first business meeting was held in Mostar, Bosnia-Herzegovina on 11 July (20 participants). The second meeting was held in Wojanów, Poland on December 1-4 (19 participants). A final version of ISCARSAH Statutes and Membership Criteria were reviewed and

approved. A long-term plan based on the Committee's objectives listed in the Statutes was proposed and discussed. This plan proposed a list of achievements that the Committee would strive for in the 2008-2014 period. The plan includes activities such as:

- Development and publication of technical modules on investigation, modeling, and intervention
- Development of cost effective and sustainable structural conservation information exchange network
- Development of the website as the international reference point for structural conservation
- Support of a permanent graduate program for advanced structural conservation
- Active participation in UNESCO World Heritage missions
- Development of best practices for emergency preparedness and post-disaster response
- Development and implementation of several inter-ISC initiatives, including Wood, IcoFort, Stone and ISC20C
- Developments of tools to identify, maintain, and disseminate on a regular basis a list of research needs.

A listserv was created to facilitate communication among members.

#### Seminars

ISCARSAH members planned, served on planning Committees, and/or presented at the following seminars and conferences:

- Symposium on "Assessment and strengthening of historical stone masonry constructions subjected to seismic actions", July 12-13, Mostar, Bosnia-Herzegovina, organized by member Mustapha Humo. Proceedings will be available shortly.
- XIIIth Scientific-Technical Conference on the Repair, Conservation and Strengthening of Traditionally Erected Buildings and Historic Buildings (REMO 2009), December 2-4, Wroclaw, Poland, organized by member Jerzy Jasienko. The proceeding was made available at the time of the conference.
- A special one-day symposium was organized by Polytechnico di Milano on May 8<sup>th</sup> dedicated to ISCARSAH long-time member Luigia Binda to acknowledge her for her precious scientific contribution and to encourage her to continue her research at the Department of Structural Engineering.

#### Heritage@Risk

Several ISCARSAH members, principally Italians, were involved in the post-disaster response to the Abruzzo earthquake (L'Aquila). This involved active participation in the assessment and emergency stabilization of the large number of damage masonry constructions. These members have shared their experience making presentation on this subject in Mostar and Wroclaw conferences. The Chengdu Resolution (Emergency preparedness and post disaster) was discussed at the December meeting. This resolution was drafted in July 2009 following an ICOMOS mission in China which included site visit of the earthquake devastated the World Heritage site of Dujiangyan and town of Beichuan. ICOMOS China and the State of the Administration for Cultural Heritage were invited by the ICOMOS delegation to share their experience. An ISCARSAH task group was created to work on the development of best practice models for seismic preparedness and response plans. A request for professional assistance in response to a recent earthquake in Bhutan was received.

The Committee discussed at the December meeting the evidence of damage observed on the photographic report received from the Bhutan Associate member. A site mission is planned for 2010.

### **World Heritage**

Several Committee members were involved in World Heritage Site mission or desk-top reviews. A desk-top review was done for San Sebastian Fort, Mozambique early in the year and a site mission is planned for 2010. A desk-top review and site visit was done to assess the impact of the High Speed Rail Tunnel beneath the Sagrada Familia in Barcelona on the monument.

In addition to the activities mentioned above, the Committee undertook the following:

### **Working Groups**

Three working groups were established at the July meeting in Mostar: Assessment, Modeling (Computer Analysis) and Interventions. These were created in response to a need of sharing practices and technological advancements in recent years. There is also a need for more cross-fertilization and cooperation between the countries. These working groups will be developing over the coming years more detailed documents that will provide guidance to the structural conservation professionals.

### **Revised ISO 13822 standard, Evaluation of Existing Structures**

The ISCARSAH Safety Working Group has interfaced with the ISO TC98/SC2/WG6 committee on safety of existing structures for the development of an Annex specifically devoted to Heritage Structures, to be included in the ISO 13822 standard, Evaluation of Existing Structures. The ISCARSAH Committee's safety working group submitted a first draft in August 2007, met subsequently with the ISO Committee in Madrid, Padova, Ile d'Orléans, and Washington. A draft was submitted for a ballot closing in April 2009. It was very well received (no negative vote) and no significant changes required. The document is going through the final ISO edits.

### **Training Program**

ISCARSAH members affiliated with the University of Minho; Czech Technical University, Prague; Technical University of Catalonia, Spain; and University of Padova, Italy, have initiated an Advanced Masters in Structural Analysis of Monuments and Historical Constructions (SAHC) as a joint European Master Program under the Erasmus Mundus program. This is a unique program for structural engineers and is the first officially accredited structural conservation master program in the world. Successful candidates from more than 20 countries graduated in summer 2008 and 2009.

### **Publications**

ISCARSAH members are acting as editors of the International Journal of Architectural Heritage. A number of members are also acting as peer reviewers for the Journal. ISCARSAH has established a Committee Website. This has proven to be an efficient and effective way to introduce interested parties to the work of ISCARSAH. We have received several requests from around the world for membership. Numerous administrative documents, such as Statutes, Principles, minutes of meeting are posted on the website for easy access. The Committee has discussed the publication of a book centred on the ISCARSAH Principles and Guidelines at the December meeting in Wojanow. An outline has been prepared and publishers are being approached in the UK.

## **Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM)**

The International Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management has 64 expert, 2 associate, 2 affiliate and 2 institutional members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The International Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management held its annual meeting in Valletta, Malta. ICAHM also held two other meetings, one in Leiden and one in Hanoi. The principal matter discussed in all three meetings was the re-organization of ICAHM. The two issues which stood out were standards and finance, linked through discussions during scientific conferences as a mechanism to help develop and disseminate standards as well as a way to raise money.

### **Seminars**

ICAHM agreed to co-sponsor with NASA a symposium at the 2010 Society for American Archaeology Conference in St Louis, Missouri, entitled "The Archaeology of Perspective". The ten symposium papers will examine how perspective, or view shed, has worked in cultures from many different places and times to convey, replicate, and sometimes alter the social order, setting in place norms, customs, traditions, and ultimately, institutions. Most of the research reported has involved the use of digital elevation models (DEMs) obtained from NASA satellites and aircraft, which provide the basis for modelling the surface of the earth, as well as radar and multispectral images that provide information about environmental setting and the locations of related archaeological sites and features. All 4 archaeological sites and landscapes with which are the subjects of these papers can be considered as natural monuments.



### Heritage@Risk

Twenty people contacted by ICAHM have agreed to contribute to a H@R volume on the effects of looting on archaeological sites and resources. Funding for this publication has been requested from ICOMOS but was not granted for 2010.

### World Heritage

During the year, particular attention was given to the issue of encroachment at the Poverty Point, in Louisiana, USA, which is on the Tentative List. The management authority of Poverty Point is planning a symposium on the site's management in 2010, and will invite several ICAHM Expert Members to attend.

### Current topics

In addition to the themes mentioned above, the Committee activated its subcommittees as follows:

- Communications Committee: has revamped ICAHM's website and established a Listserve and blog for the Committee;
- Nominations Assistance Committee: to identify archaeological sites that might be worthy of nomination to UNESCO's World Heritage List in under-represented regions of the world, and utilize the network of ICAHM archaeologists to collect information that might be useful in the comparative analysis section of nominations;
- Standards Committee: will formulate standards for the management of archaeological sites as well as reviewing and approving standards for conducting archaeological research as well as the necessary professional qualifications for conducting archaeological research and archaeological heritage management consulting;
- Board of Registration: will review applications for membership to ICAHM and appoint applicants to the appropriate membership category.

### Cultural Landscapes ICOMOS-IFLA (ISCCL)



ISCCL members during the annual meeting in Tokyo, Japan

The International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes (ICOMOS-IFLA) has 22 expert, 5 advisory, 54 associate, and 23 honorary members.

#### Statutory and Business Meetings

The International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes held its Annual General Meeting in Tokyo, Japan, in September. At that meeting the ISCCL new Statutes, previously approved by the Scientific Council, were formally adopted. There were no new elections for the board. 24 members were present. Several topics were discussed: Guidelines for the Evaluation of ICOMOS ISC Committees, paper introduced by the Scientific Council; Parks Charter, a draft paper on the Conservation, Theory and Methodology on the Conservation and restoration of Historic Urban Parks; bibliography, a selected bibliography on cultural

landscapes is being prepared; new guidelines for the organisers of Committees; project for drafting internal procedures; newsletter and update of web site; resolution on preservation of International House; heritage trees; triennial ICOMOS programme; resolution on Parque del Este, Caracas, jointly with IFLA.

Previous to the General Meeting, the ISCCL had held another meeting in Milan, in June, where the following topics were discussed: new statutes; agreement with IFLA; revision of working programme; bibliography; report on HUL (Historic Urban landscapes); possible publications; and last revision of the Guidelines for Evaluating Cultural Landscape Nomination for the World Heritage List. There were also visits to important gardens and villas in Milan and the Lago di Como; homage was paid to Pier Fausto Bagatti Valsecchi, one of its most distinguished members. 14 members attended the meeting.

Another meeting was held in Mexico in October, hosted by our Vice-President for the Americas, Saul Alcantara. 8 Members attended the meeting and it was an opportunity for those who could not be present at the General Meeting to receive information. The main topic discussed was the ongoing initiative of the inventory of Mexican and Latin American cultural landscapes.

## Seminars

ISCCL members were involved as ICOMOS representatives and participated with a paper in the following meetings and seminars:

- Internationale Tagung "Stadt-Kultur-Landschaft" City-Culture-Landscape.
- Zur Gefährdung historischer urbaner Kulturlandschaften und zu den Möglichkeiten ihrer Bewahrung für die kommunale und regionale Entwicklung, hosted by the German Foundation of Environment (DBU). 12-13 February, Osnabruck, Germany. Representative ISCCL: Monica Luengo, President.
- The Irish Landscape Conference, 14-16 October, organised by the Heritage Council. Tullamore, Ireland. Representative ISCCL: Monica Luengo, President.
- International Conference on Cultural Landscapes, 27-29 May, organised by Conselleria de Ordenación del Territorio, Islas Baleares, Palma de Mallorca, Spain. Representative ISCCL: Monica Luengo, President.
- ISCCL was invited to attend the IFLA General Assembly held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 21st October. ISCCL representative: Carlos Jankilevich (Costa Rica).
- Reunion Regional de Expertos: Patrimonio, Diversidad y Comunidad, La Habana, Cuba, 26-29 October, organised by Oficina Regional de Cultura para América Latina y el Caribe de la UNESCO. ISCCL representative: Fernando Britos (Uruguay)
- International Seminar on the Role of Cultural Landscapes in the Revitalization of Historic Urban Centers. 26-29 October, Mexico, organised by the INAH (National Institute of History and Anthropology), and the Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, Instituto de España and Instituto Italiano. ISCCL representatives: Saul Alcantara (Mexico), Margarita Montañez (Uruguay), José Tito Rojo (Spain), Juan de Orellana (Peru), Geza Hajos (Austria), Mónica Luengo (Spain).
- 3rd International Conference of the Alliance for World Heritage Cultural Landscapes, 25-26 November, Granada, Spain. "Water and landscape".

## Heritage@Risk

The ISCCL was involved with challenging cases of sites threatened by demolition (Parque del Este, Caracas, Venezuela), and published a joint statement with IFLA; and sites threatened by new constructions such as Villa Adriana (Italy) or Madinat al Zahra (Córdoba, Spain). A position statement was sent by ISCCL to the authorities. In Córdoba the authorities decided to postpone any decision concerning the site.

## World Heritage

During 2009, the ISCCL was particularly involved in writing guidelines for evaluating cultural landscape nominations for UNESCO's World Heritage List. These guidelines are the outcome of more than two years of work by ISCCL members. The need for guidelines arose when ICOMOS requested a review of the existing ICOMOS Guidelines for Technical Evaluations. ISCCL reviewed the ICOMOS Guidelines in 2006 and 2007 and concluded that supplementary guidance to cover the specific aspects of cultural landscapes was required. The ISCCL engaged many members in this process through two working sessions and a series of email questionnaires and reviews. The ISCCL considers that this guidance is a good tool for achieving a high standard for evaluation of World Heritage nominations as well as for enhancing our common understanding of World Heritage cultural landscapes. Hal Moggridge (UK), member of the ISCCL, is the IFLA representative in the HUL discussion. In October, Nora Mitchell (USA), Nancy Pollock Ellwand (Canada), Juliet Ramsay (Australia) and Monica Luengo (Spain) participated in the International Expert's Conference Advising on Mount Fuji Cultural Heritage nomination, with particular attention to the analysis of the nomination of Mount Fuji as World Heritage. After the discussion, a working group was established to develop further proposals to assess aesthetic values of landscapes for World Heritage purposes. Several ISCCL members prepared World Heritage nominations desk reviews or participated to technical missions.

## Publications

The ISCCL published 3 Newsletters, edited by Carlos Jankilevich (Costa Rica) with contributions from many members in English, French and Spanish. The volume "Jardins et sites historiques" of the series "Journal scientifique de l'icomos" is now available at: <http://www.international.icomos.org/Publications/jscientifique1.htm>

## Partners

The ISCCL continues to work in cooperation with IFLA. The Committee is also in the process of signing collaboration agreements with the Alianza de Paisajes Culturales Patrimonio Mundial (Alliance of World Heritage Cultural Landscapes) and FUNCI (Foundation for Islamic Culture) to participate with them in the initiative "MEDOMED- Network of Mediterranean Cultural Landscapes".

## Cultural Objects in Monuments (ISCCR)

The Committee, which has 7 expert members, is under reformation. It held not meetings and produced not publications in 2009.

## Cultural Routes (CIIC)



Participants at the 2009 Annual meeting of CIIC in Japan

CIIC has 100 members. In 2009, it held two open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation, and which gathered over 100 participants, including 24 CIIC members.

On 31 October 2009, the International Symposium Owase Kumano Kodo in Owase City (Japan) organized by ICOMOS Japan and CIIC discussed the issues of:

- Cultural Tourism in World Heritage
- Transmission of World Heritage to Future Generations and Interpretation
- Conservation, Management, and Use of World Heritage and Cultural Routes

Special emphasis was given to how the heritage of cultural routes has been treated over the past ten years and how the current issues of planning and management should be approached. CIIC

representatives also participated in a great number of meetings and conferences held in different countries around the world.

The CIIC participants at the 2009 World Heritage International Exchange Symposium organized by CIIC, ICOMOS Japan, and Mie Prefecture in Ise (Japan) contributed to the drafting of the Declaration on “World Heritage for Peace”, adopted 1 November 2009, and the creation of an international working group on this topic.

### Heritage@Risk

Reports on several serious threats to the Camino de Santiago were sent to ICOMOS international.

### Publications

The proceedings of the November 2009 meeting in Japan have so far been published in Japanese.

### Current topics

The November 2010 annual meeting to be held in Madrid (Spain) will be devoted to:

- Developing a new methodology for the protection of Cultural Routes, in particular those already inscribed on the World Heritage List.
- Best practices for the conservation of Historic Cities which are part of a Cultural Route (in cooperation with CIVVIH).

### Partners

CIIC members contributed to dispelling the doubts posed by the Vienna Memorandum and its foreseeable consequences on Historic Cities. Members of CIVVIH who are also members of the CIIC have participated in its activities by carrying out research projects on historic cities and towns related to Cultural Routes. TICCIH members also participated in activities and meetings organized by the CIIC. CIIC contributed to the work of the ISC on Fortifications and Military Heritage (ICOFORT) through research carried out by CIIC members with expertise in the field of fortifications related to Cultural Routes and who also belong to the International Centre for Research on Fortifications (CIEFAL) created by ICOMOS Spain and the City Council of Ferrol (Spain) in 2003. The two seminars held by CIIC are a good example of cooperation between an ICOMOS Scientific and National Committee.

## Cultural Tourism (ICTC)



Rock Cut Temple Interior, Ajanta, India

The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Cultural Tourism has 38 expert and 17 associate members.

### Statutory and Business Meetings

The International Committee on Cultural Tourism held its annual meeting via e-mail conferencing in June and July 2009, specifically in response to the limitations on travel imposed by the Global Financial Crisis. No elections were held as the President and two Board members are currently serving their three-year period. The board members correspond frequently by e-mail on matters related to the Committee business.

The President and Vice-President met in London in December 2009 to discuss general business and the preparation of a new Handbook for the UN World Tourism Organisation. Specific topics discussed included the Committee web site, continuing membership drive, participation in conferences and preparation of a new Handbook for the UN World Tourism Organisation.

### World Heritage

All of the meetings and activities undertaken by members of the ICOMOS International Cultural Tourism Committee in 2009 were related directly to World Heritage Issues.

During the year, particular attention was given to best practice cultural tourism management at World Heritage properties. ICTC contributed to the ICOMOS World Heritage mandate by the following activities:

- Continuing participation in the UNESCO appointed Panel of Experts project reviewing conservation and tourism management at the Ajanta and Ellora Caves World Heritage Sites, India and associated places in conjunction with the Archaeological Survey of India. (March 2009)
- Continuing participation in the World Heritage Sustainable Tourism Project (WHSTI), in conjunction with UNESCO World Heritage Centre and UN World Tourism Organisation, IUCN, UN Foundation and the Nordic World Heritage Foundation. (April 2009)
- Liaison throughout 2009 with the Office of the Australian delegate to the World Heritage Committee for the preparation of a major workshop at the Mogao Grottoes World Heritage site in China.
- Liaison meeting in Paris with UNESCO World Heritage Centre regarding the WHSTI project. (August 2009)
- Active participation in the “Advancing Sustainable Tourism at Cultural and Natural Heritage Sites” Workshop. Mogao Grottoes World Heritage site, Dunhuang, China. (September 2009)
- Preparation on behalf of the WHSTI Project of a series of “Principles for Sustainable Tourism at World Heritage Sites”. These Principles will be incorporated into a submission sponsored by Australia and China to the World Heritage Committee for amendments to the World Heritage Operational Guidelines.
- Participation in a Conservation and Cultural Tourism Workshop at the Borobudur and Prambanan World Heritage Sites, Yogyakarta, Indonesia, sponsored by UNESCO Jakarta and the Indonesian Department of Culture. (November 2009)

### Publications

The President, with support from the Committee commenced the preparation of a Handbook “Communicating Heritage” being prepared on a commissioned basis for the UN World Tourism Organisation. The text is expected to be ready for publication by UNWTO by July 2010. The President was also commissioned by the Australian Department of Water Environment Heritage and the Arts to prepare a summary report on the Mogao Workshop.

### Partners

The Committee continued to build strategic partnership with key international stakeholders in the management of tourism activities at heritage places, in particular World Heritage sites. These links were strengthened by participation in workshops, conferences and projects that advanced mutual experiences and ideas.

## Earthen Architectural Heritage (ISCEAH)



The International Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage has 49 expert, 11 associate, and 3 non-ICOMOS members.

### Statutory and Business Meetings

The International Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage held its triennial elections for a president, vice president, secretary, and five Chairs electronically in January. The board held several ongoing meetings and discussions electronically and one physical meeting, which discussed proposed actions regarding the demolition of Kashgar City, work on the Scientific Themes 2 (archaeology) and 4 (cultural landscapes), and the proposed scientific committee for the organisation of the Terra 2012 event.

### Seminars

ISCEAH held under its auspices and in partnership with UNICA (Cagliari, Italy, March 13-16, 2009), Escola Superior Gallaecia (Vila Nova de Cerveira, Portugal), and CRATerre-ENSAG (UNESCO chair Earthen Architecture) one open seminar that dealt with different aspects of conservation. It discussed earthen architecture in the Mediterranean region with 250 participants and 70 lectures. A special emphasis was placed on how the Mediterranean heritage has been treated in the past decades and how the current issues of planning and management should be approached. ISCEAH representatives also participated in the following meetings and conferences: Expert workshop, “Study and Conservation of Earthen Architecture in the Mediterranean Region” held in Villanovaforru (Sardinia, Italy).

The workshop was organized by UNICA, Escola Superior Gallaecia, CRATerre-ENSAG and the Getty Conservation Institute (Terra Initiative, USA). 24 experts from 11 Mediterranean countries participated in the workshop.

### **Heritage@Risk**

The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of ISCEAH. The most problematic case was Kashgar City, China, threatened by demolition. As a result of the statement jointly published by ISCEAH and ICOMOS President Gustavo Araoz, the authorities of China were informed of our concerns.

### **World Heritage**

During the year, particular attention was given to earthen architecture in World Heritage properties. ISCEAH contributed to the ICOMOS World Heritage mandate by analysing trends in relation to earthen architectural heritage as part of the World Heritage Centre's Earthen Architecture Programme. Maddalena Achenza and Mariana Correia participated as reviewers of World Heritage nominated properties.

### **Other Activities and Programmes**

Responses were received for the call for Expressions of Interest to host Terra 2012. The international conference was awarded to Peru, and a scientific committee was proposed to develop the content. In addition, ISCEAH partnered with PROTERRA (Iberian-American network on earthen architecture) who organized the 6th ATP and 9th SIACOT seminar on earthen architecture in Coimbra, Portugal.

### **Publications**

- "MEDITERRA 2009 - 1st Mediterranean Conference on Earth Architecture", edited by Maddalena Achenza, Mariana Correia and Hubert Guillaud.
- "Expert Workshop on the Study and Conservation of Earthen Architecture and its contribution to sustainable development in the Mediterranean Region: Final Report". Edited by Maddalena Achenza, Claudia Cancino, Mariana Correia, Amila Ferron and Hubert Guillaud Available at: [http://www.getty.edu/conservation/field\\_projects/earthen/earthen\\_component3.html](http://www.getty.edu/conservation/field_projects/earthen/earthen_component3.html).

The Committee hosts a web site at: <http://isceah.icomos.org>

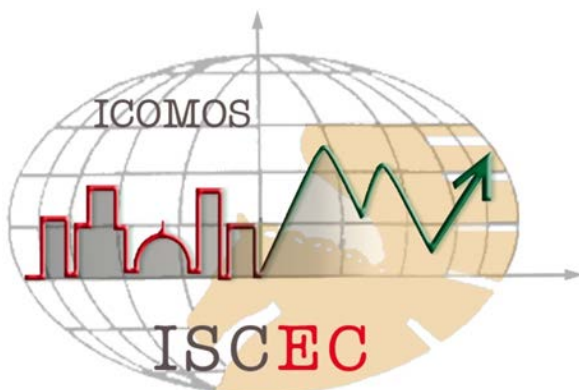
### **Current topics**

In addition to the themes mentioned above, the Committee activated its sub-committees on Archaeology, Cultural Landscapes and Seismic (which is the overarching topic of Terra 2012). A manifesto was signed by participants, many of whom are members of ISCEAH, in the Mediterra workshop, "manifesterre for the right of building with earth". See <http://www.manifesterre.net/?petition=2>.

### **Partners**

The Committee has no institutional members. The Committee also developed a partnership with the World Heritage Centre on EAP (Earthen Architecture Program) in an ongoing 10-year program.

## **Economics of Conservation (ISCEC)**



The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Economics of Conservation has 14 expert, 2 associate, and 12 honorary members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings and Seminars**

- September 2009, International Summer School: Valuing Cultural Diversity in Cities - Challenges To Cultural Economics, Procida, Italy. Major course themes included: Introducing Cultural Diversity; Intangible Assets and Cultural Diversity; Introducing Valuation Methods; Valuing Linguistic Diversity; Understanding Cultural Capital; Cultural Diversity and Challenges to Cultural Economics; The Economic Value of Tangibles: Cultural Diversity in Cities; The Economic Value of Intangibles: The Case of Languages; and Best Practices in Conservation.

- December 2009, International Meeting: Cultural Heritage, Local Development and ICT-Towards a creative Networks, Napoli, Italy, in collaboration with Integrated e-Services for Advanced Access to Heritage in Cultural Tourist Destinations (ISAAC) and Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II, Polo delle Scienze e delle Technologie, dipartimento di Conservazione dei Beni Architettonici ed Ambientali. Major conference themes included: ISAAC Outcomes; Cultural Heritage, ICT Innovations and Enterprises: Possible Networks; The Spread in Local Government of ISAAC Findings; General Conclusions.
- October 2009, ICOMOS Scientific Symposium: Changing World, Changing Views of Heritage: The Impact Of Global Change On Cultural Heritage -Technological Change, Valletta, Malta.
- October 2009, Conference: Historical Territory of L'Aquila; From Emergency to Revitalisation in collaboration with ICCROM Roma (Italy) and Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri (Dpt Protezione Civile), École française de Rome, Italy.
- December 2009, Meeting for discussion and ratification of changes concerning the new ISCEC Statutes following feedback received by ISCEC members.

### **World Heritage Related Activities**

During the year, particular attention was given to cultural tourism, sustainable local development and creativity in cultural heritage conservation in World Heritage properties.

### **Publications**

- Nijkamp, P. (2009), "Sustainable Urban Development", BDC\_Bollettino del Dipartimento di Conservazione dei Beni Architettonici ed Ambientali, n.9, pp. 15-19 [ISSN 1121-2918]
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- Fusco Girard, L. (2009) "Tourism, Cultural Heritage and Strategic Evaluations: Towards Integrated Approaches", in Fusco Girard, L. Nijkamp, P. Cultural Tourism and Sustainable Local Development, Ashgate, Farnham.
- Fusco Girard, L., Nijkamp, P. (2009) "Culture, Tourism and the Locality: Ways Forward", in Fusco Girard, L. Nijkamp, P., Cultural Tourism and Sustainable Local Development, Ashgate, Farnham.

### **Partners**

ISCEC is partner with CIVVIH - International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages.

## **Fortifications and Military Heritage (ICOFORT)**

The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Fortifications and Military Heritage has 23 voting, 44 expert, 2 associate, and 1 institutional members and 1 observer.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The International Committee on ICOFORT did not hold its annual meeting during 2009; it was re-scheduled to June 1-8, 2010. Elections for a president and six board members took place in 2008 in Quebec City (Canada) during September. During 2009 the board discussed and revised the ICOFORT Committee statutes. ICOFORT France Board members proposed to host the 2010 Annual Meeting in France.

### **Seminars and participation to conferences**

ICOFORT representative also participated in the following meetings and conferences:

- Conference to the Museum Draï Eechelen (Centre de documentation de la forteresse de Luxembourg), Luxemburg, (Belgium). Paper presented "Les fortifications de Vauban inscrites sur la liste du patrimoine mondial" by Prof. Philippe Bragard, January 2009.
- Conference Preservation in Peril, New Orleans, USA. Paper presented: The protection of the Caribbean Fortifications, the impact of hurricanes and tropical storms and their future consequences by Tamara Blanes. March 2009.
- Conference Preservation in Peril, New Orleans, USA. Participant Milagros Flores, March 2009.
- Conference Cold War, participant: Mrs. Roberta Luciani Havran, March 2009.
- Conference Fortresses of Engineer Sebastien Le Presete de Vauban, participant: Mrs. Roberta Luciani Havran, March 2009.

- Australia International Monuments Day two 2 days tour, Paper presented: Boom! 19th Century Artillery, by Mrs. Jane Ainsworth, April 2009.
- ICOMOS Australia Annual Conference Session of War in the Pacific. Paper presented Sydney 20th Century Defenses, by Mrs. Jane Ainsworth, July 2009.
- ICOMOS Australia Annual Conference Session of War in the Pacific. Paper presented by Mr John Schofield, July 2009.
- Conference Bulwarked Fortifications as Heritage of Universal Value, Paper presented: The San Juan Bulwarked Fortifications, by Milagros Flores, Almeida (Portugal) August 2009.
- Conference "Fortifications and lines in frontier wide perspective", participant Philippe Braggard, Antwerp, (Belgium), during September 2009.
- Conference "Fortengordels nu-Fortifications et significations actuelles", Antwerp, Provincie Antwerpen - Diesnt Erfgoed (Belgium). Paper presented "Fortifications et ensemble fortifiés au patrimoine mondial, état de la question", by Prof. Philippe Braggard, September 2009.
- Symposium: Changing World, Changing Views of Heritage: Technological Change and Cultural Heritage. ICOMOS Scientific Council, Valletta, (Malta), participant: Milagros Flores, October 2009.
- Conference Hollandse Waterlinie, Utrecht (Holland), participant Robert Treufeldt, November 2009.
- Conference Vulnerabilidad, riesgos y mitigacion en situaciones de emergencia, Habana, Cuba. Paper presented: The protection of the Caribbean Fortifications, the impact of hurricanes and tropical storms and their future consequences, by Tamara Blanes, December 2009.
- Activity Mexico City Fortifications Project, participant Maricruz Pailles, January 2009 (ongoing).

### International Monuments Day on 18 April

ICOFORT member Mrs. Jane Ainsworth presented a paper: "Boom! 19th Century Artillery", as part of ICOMOS Australia two-days tour for the International Monuments Day.

### World Heritage

During the year, particular attention was given to technical evaluation and desk reviews in World Heritage properties. ICOFORT supported the World Heritage programme by preparing a list of recommended experts for technical evaluation missions and desk reviews of the nominated property of Fort Jesus, Mombasa, Kenya and by responding to UNESCO's World Heritage Fund emergency assistance request for the damage to St Sebastian Fortress in the Island of Mozambique, a World Heritage property. ICOFORT contributed to the ICOMOS World Heritage mandate by analyzing trends in relation to Panama Fortifications World Heritage site. The Committee contacted ICOMOS Panama and initiated a dialogue concerning the condition of the World Heritage fortifications.

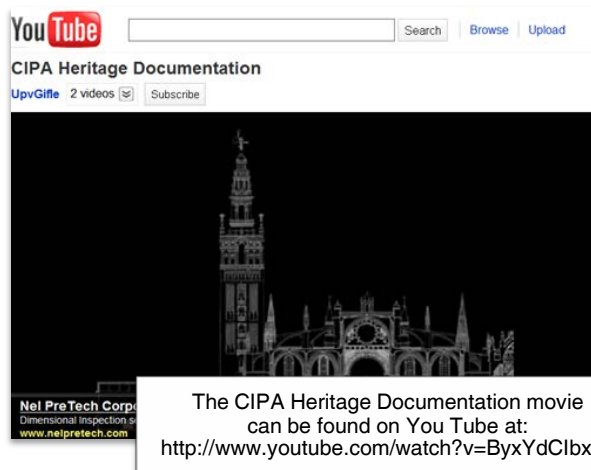
### Other Activities and Programmes

ICOFORT Italy representative PhD. Dott. Arch. Sandro Parrinello, with the financial support of Florence University and in partnership with several Cuban universities studied fortification systems in Havana especially the architectural heritage of Antonelli's historical fortresses in the Caribbean with the purpose of highlighting architectural styles and building technologies which may reveal a strong connection between the architectural designs of European fortresses and those in the Latin American region. ICOFORT is an observer to the dossier of Elvas and the Almeida fortifications in Portugal.

### Current topics

ICOFORT will continue to assist in the evaluation and assessment of Caribbean fortifications in the US Virgin Islands; Christian's Bay Battery and Fortsberg at Coral Bay, St. John; Forts Shipley and Willoughby, and Cowell's Battery at Hassel Island, St. Thomas; and Fort Christiansvaern and Fort Frederick at St. Croix) for potential nomination to UNESCO's World Heritage List. ICOFORT Cuba continues with the evaluation and assessment of Cuban fortifications for nomination as National Monument: Carbonell Battery and Fort Caibarien.

## Heritage Documentation (CIPA)



The International Committee on Heritage Documentation, has 5 ISPRS and 5 ICOMOS ordinary members; 2 society delegates; 7 expert, 9 honorary, and 10 sustaining members; 60 national delegates and 7 committee delegates.

### Statutory and Business Meetings

The International Committee on Heritage Documentation (CIPA) held its annual meeting with the elections for 2 board members in Kyoto, Japan in October. The board held 2 meetings and discussed internal business, the production of a newsletter, planning of future activities and joint events with other organisations and committees of ICOMOS.

## Seminars

- The 22nd Symposium of the International Committee for Heritage Documentation (CIPA) was held in Kyoto, Japan, October 11-15, 2009. It was the first time ever a CIPA symposium to be held in Asia, and despite the global economic recession, approximately 200 participants from around the world met and discussed current and future advances in heritage documentation. A keynote session, 16 Oral sessions and 2 Poster sessions accommodated the 2 keynote speeches, 64 oral presentations and 56 posters. <http://www.rgis.it.ritsumei.ac.jp/cipa2009/> The full symposium proceedings can be downloaded free of charge from the CIPA website <http://cipa.icomos.org/index.php?id=405>.
- CIPA was actively involved in the organization of the conference "Cultural Heritage and New Technologies" in Vienna, Austria, 16-18 November 2009, with up to 230 participants. It was the 14th regional annual meeting of this kind mainly by and for archaeologists. <http://www.magwien.gv.at/archaeologie>
- CIPA-HD 1st Belgian Colloquium on Heritage Documentation, organized by the Belgian CIPA Committee in Brussels on February 12, 2009: 230 participants.
- Arqueologica 2.0 Sevilla, Spain - 1st International Meeting on Graphic Archaeology and Informatics, Cultural Heritage and Innovation 17-20 June 2009.
- The ARIS09 Course "Architectural Records, Inventories and Information Systems for Conservation" was held in Rome, Italy, 2 September -2 October 2009, organized by ICCROM and the Getty Conservation Institute. Participants came from 17 different countries and many instructors were CIPA members. During four intensive weeks, the course covered the following topics: hand measurement; photography; thermal imaging; laser scanning; 3D modelling; time-lapse and balloon photography; strobe lighting; photogrammetry; Geographic Information Systems (GIS); Global Positioning Systems (GPS); topographic survey; panoramic photographic; data management and video. [http://www.iccrom.org/eng/news\\_en/2009\\_en/events\\_en/10\\_07courseARIS\\_en.shtml](http://www.iccrom.org/eng/news_en/2009_en/events_en/10_07courseARIS_en.shtml)
- A symposium "Application of digital technologies in heritage conservation and management" (29 January 2010) and a workshop "GIS in heritage documentation" (25-28 January 2010) was organized in Nairobi by JSTor, the National Museum of Nairobi and Heinz R  ther.

## Publications

- The XXIIInd Symposium proceedings from Kyoto can be downloaded free of charge from the CIPA website <http://cipa.icomos.org/index.php?id=405>.
- CIPA session at the conference "Computer und Arch  logie" is published in B  rner, W., Uhlirz, S., Kulturelles Erbe und Neue Technologien. Arch  logie und Computer Workshop 13, 3-5 November 2008. Phoibos Verlag, Wien. ISBN: 978-3-85161-002-4
- Robin Letellier, 2007, Guiding Principles on Recording, Documentation, and Information Management for the Conservation of Heritage Places. With contributions from Werner Schmid and Francois LeBlanc. J. Paul Getty Trust, ISBN 978-0-89236-925-6
- Rand Eppich, Amel Chabbi 2007, Illustrated Examples. Recording, Documentation, and Information Management for the Conservation of Heritage Places. J. Paul Getty Trust, ISBN 978-3-85161-016-1
- A 'Best Examples' collection of CIPA Symposium papers is in production, intended publication date mid 2010.
- The CIPA Heritage Documentation movie can be found at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ByxYdClbxMI>
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## Partners

The main cooperation is that with ISPRS, the International Society for Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing and Spatial Information Sciences. The cooperation is defined by the CIPA Statutes, controlled by Society Delegates. CIPA has the status of a Permanent ISPRS Committee as well as of an International Scientific ICOMOS Committee. Historically CIPA is also an ICOMOS International Scientific Committee with fruitful cooperation with its other ISCs.

## Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH)

The International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages has 73 expert and 3 honorary members.

## Statutory and Business Meetings

The International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages held its annual meeting with the elections for a president and 9 board members in Narni, Italy in June 2009. The new board held one meeting and discussed co-optation of members to balance regional representation, areas of responsibility for the members of the Executive, candidates for honorary membership, and a resolution concerning L'Aquila.



### **Seminars**

CIVVIH held 4 open seminars that dealt with different aspects of conservation of historic towns and villages. The first one discussed small towns and villages with 34 participants and 11 lectures. While past discussions in CIVVIH centred on the conservation of historic cities, this seminar offered an overview of the state of conservation of smaller urban and rural entities around the world. The second seminar discussed risk preparedness in historic towns with 34 participants and 9 lectures. These offered an introduction to concepts and practice as well as relevant case studies from around the world. The third meeting discussed World Heritage issues in the Mediterranean – The Edirne case, with 35 participants and 10 lectures and centred on management issues. The fourth gathering consisted of a workshop with 23 participants, which was convened to prepare a new doctrinal text of principles for the conservation of historic towns that would complement the Washington Charter and bring it to date.

### **Heritage@Risk**

The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites was one of the main activities of CIVVIH. The Committee dedicated one day during its annual meeting to the subject and joined ICOMOS Italy in its motion for the protection, preservation and restoration of the historic centre of L'Aquila and of the built areas of its province (destroyed during the earthquake of April 2009). The Committee also adopted a resolution, expressing serious concerns over the current proposal for extension of Gunnar Asplund's world famous Stockholm City library. The resolution was jointly sent to the Mayor of Stockholm together with a resolution from the ICOMOS Advisory and Executive Committees.

### **World Heritage**

A CIVVIH member undertook a desk review.

### **Current topics**

In addition to the themes mentioned above, the Committee is working to re-activate its subcommittees for the Ibero-American region and has established a work group on fortified towns.

### **Partners**

CIVVIH has an on-going partnership with ISoCaRP – the International Society of City and Regional Planners.

## **Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICICH)**

The International Scientific Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage has 22 expert members.

The International Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage unfortunately has little to report for 2009 given major communication and computer technology problems with the loss of most data. This is now being rectified with a re-energised action plan to be implemented over 2010, including another call for members, elections and an online conference to be held before the Advisory Committee in Dublin in October 2010.

## **Interpretation and Presentation (ICIP)**

The International Committee on Interpretation and Presentation has 54 expert and 46 associate members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The International Committee on Interpretation and Presentation held its elections for a president, Vice-Presidents, and secretary general electronically in June 2009. The board held repeated electronic consultations on the establishment of task forces and triennial plan.

### **Seminars**

ICIP held, organized, or co-sponsored four seminars that dealt with different aspects of interpretation and site presentation. They dealt with the following subjects: the use of digital technologies in cultural heritage interpretation; interpretation and sustainable tourism; interpretation training issues; and the interpretation of heritage in conflict. ICIP representatives also participated in the following meetings and conferences:

- “Places of Meaning, Meaning in Place: Tangibility, Controversy, and Conscience at Historic Sites” 2009 Annual Meeting of the Society for Historical Archaeology, Toronto, Canada 8-11 January 2009
- International Workshop on Archaeological Intervention on Historical Necropolises Jewish Cemeteries, Barcelona, 15-20 January 2009
- Hemudu International Summit on Site Museums, Yuyao, Zhejiang Province, China. 25-28 May 2009.
- Mogao Sustainable Tourism Workshop, Mogao Caves World Heritage site, China, 27 September-1 October 2009.

### **Publications**

In addition to regular e-mail updates to the membership, and the ICIP web site, the following article relating to the Interpretation Charter was published: Neil Silberman, “Process Not Product: The ICOMOS Ename Charter (2008) and the Practice of Heritage Stewardship”, CRM Journal 6:1 (Summer 2009).

### **Current topics**

In addition to the themes mentioned above, the Committee continued to formulate plans for its task forces in Interpretation and Conservation, Management, Emerging Technologies, Methods and Policy, Best Practices, and Planning. The Charter on Interpretation and Presentation was also translated into Arabic and Russian.

## **Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues (ICLAFI)**

The International Committee on Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues has 35 expert, 2 associate and 2 honorary members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The ICLAFI 2009 annual meeting and symposium was hosted by ICOMOS Colombia and held in Cartagena on November 23-27 2009. The theme of the symposium was "Legal structures for Public Participation in heritage conservation". Papers were presented by Anne Marie Draye (Belgium), Amaya Irarrázaval (Chile), Claudia Fadul (Colombia) Satu-Kaarina Virtala (Finland), Werner von Trutzschler (Germany), Gideon Koren (Israel), Toshi Kono (Japan), Roberto Nuñez Arratia (Mexico), Ernesto Becerril (Mexico), Alberto Martorell Carreño (Peru), Wojciech Kowalski (Poland), Thomas Adlercreutz (Sweden), and James Reap (USA). 4 members contributed papers without attending the meeting. As part of the program, the Committee met in Castillo San Felipe De Barajas and visited the City of Cartagena De Indias and its suburban area.

ICLAFI held elections to its Bureau during the course of the year. The new elected official are: Gideon Koren (Israel) – President, Anne Marie Draye (Belgium) Claudia Fadul (Colombia), and Alberto Martorell (Peru) – Vice Presidents, and Graeme Wiffen (Australia) – Secretary General. According to the ICLAFI Statutes, the change of the Bureau came into effect at the annual meeting.

### **Other Activities and Programmes**

ICLAFI was very active in support of the National, Scientific, Advisory and Executive Committees and the Scientific Council (SC) during 2009. Under the chairmanship of Graeme Wiffen (Australia) a sub-committee continued to develop the statutes for International Scientific Committees, and under the chairmanship of Thomas Adlercreutz a sub-committee guided several National Committees on their Statutes. ICLAFI also conducted elections for two ISCs. In addition, James Reap, President of ICLAFI, served as a co-opted Coordinator of the ICOMOS Scientific Council. Gideon Koren, Secretary General of ICLAFI served as the coordinator of the national Committees task force formed by the Advisory Committee and provided support to the ICOMOS Executive Committee on a variety of issues. ICLAFI members provided additional support to the Scientific Council, including legal and administrative advice and hosting of the ISC listserv.

### **Publications**

ICLAFI has launched and published an e-journal that was widely distributed via the web during 2009. The first issue was published in Memoriam of Hristina Staneva, former Vice-President of ICLAFI.

## **Mural Paintings (ISCMP)**

The Committee has been under reformation since 2008. It currently has 20 expert, 3 associate and 1 non-ICOMOS members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The ISCMP did not hold a statutory or business meeting in 2009. However, during the Advisory Committee meeting in Valletta in October 2009, the Executive Committee endorsed the efforts undertaken by members who were given the task to reform the Committee (Susanna Wierdl – acting chair, Benoit De Tapol and Walter Schudel – assistant coordinators) and agreed to extend the deadline to the next Advisory Committee meeting in October 2010.

### **Other Activities and Programmes**

The Committee has been focusing on expanding its membership. In addition, the acting chair attended a preliminary meeting in November 2009 in Florence, Italy, to begin organizing the 1<sup>st</sup> Biannual Conference on Mural Paintings scheduled for January 2011.

### **Partners**

The Committee has established a working relationship with the Romualdo Del Bianco Foundation, ICCROM, ICOMOS Hungary (which acts as Secretariat), ELTE University of Budapest, Istituto Central del Restauro in Rome, Italy and Studiolo Restoration.

## Polar Heritage (IPHC)



Pole to Pole video conference. Delegates to the IPHC International Polar Year Conference (Barrow, Alaska) assembled with video link to participants in New Zealand's, Scott Base, Antarctica

The International Committee on Polar Heritage has 23 expert and 4 associate members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The International Committee on Polar Heritage held 7 meetings since it was founded (i.e. almost annually), but otherwise conducts most of its formal business through e-mail exchange. In 2009 there was no in-person meeting since a large meeting and conference are scheduled for April 2010.

### **Other Activities and Programmes**

During the year work related to the International Polar Year project was completed. The Committee received certificates of appreciation from the primary organisations of the International Polar Year, The World Meteorological Organization and The International Council for Science. The IPHC President worked closely with the Norwegian Ministries of the Environment and of Foreign Affairs on the IPHC proposed project for designating particularly internationally significant Arctic heritage sites (e.g. the Annual Report for 2008). In order to give the project more impact and acceptance among the Arctic countries' authorities and the indigenous populations, the Committee was asked to incorporate it as an Arctic Council approved project. This has necessarily slowed down the progress as many separate interest groups wish to have their say, but it is expected that there will be significant progress in 2010. The IPHC Executive hopes that members, particularly with Arctic experience, will wish to participate in some way. Detailed information will be distributed early in 2010.

Planning of the IPHC conference in Chile in April 2010 has been carried in close cooperation with our Chilean member and ICOMOS Chile. Individual members are active with a wide variety of polar conservation projects and publications in the course of their professional work.

### **Publications**

Distribution of our publications "Cultural Heritage in the Arctic and Antarctic Regions" and "Historical Polar Bases – Preservation and Protection" number XVII has continued. These have proved to be very useful in promoting principles of polar heritage protection and the work of the IPHC. Distribution of the second IPHC publication in the ICOMOS "Monuments and Sites" series continued. This was produced independently by the IPHC with ICOMOS endorsement. The Committee was however very disappointed with the lack of support by ICOMOS in the process of distribution of the publication.

### **Current topics**

In addition to the themes mentioned above the Committee is involved with the work of New Zealand and British authorities to document and conserve the historic huts in Antarctica.

## Partners

The President has initiated a formal link between the IPHC and a newly formed Polar Industrial Heritage group within TICCIH, the International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage. The aim is to encourage separate groups that wish to work towards similar goals for the benefit of cultural heritage in the Arctic and/or Antarctic, to support common networks and joint exchanges and to work together as far as possible. The IPHC continues to work closely with the Antarctic Heritage Trust (AHT) in New Zealand and cooperates with preparations for conservation work at the historic Norwegian hut site of Carsten Borchgrevink's wintering at Cape Adare.

## Risk Preparedness (ICORP)



ICORP members; K. Masuda, T. Okubo, D. Bumbaru, R. Riddett, K. Weise and R. Jigyasu attending the Kathmandu Symposium and Workshop for the preparation of the resource manual "How to make Disaster Risk Reduction Plans for World Heritage Properties".

The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Risk Preparedness has 8 expert voting and 7 associate non-voting members.

### Statutory and Business Meetings

The ICOMOS International Committee on Risk Preparedness (ICORP) held its annual meeting in Quebec City, Canada in October 2008. Thereafter it proceeded with important reforms initiated by a call to all National Committees to identify their expert or associate members to ICORP, and a review of its Statutes with assistance of ICLAFI. This process was carried in close cooperation with ICOMOS, in particular the Executive Committee and the Scientific Council.

## Seminars

ICORP held open seminars and sessions that dealt with different aspects of risk preparedness: Kathmandu Symposium on "Protecting World Cultural Heritage Sites and their Historic Urban Environment from Earthquakes" held in Kathmandu, Nepal, 16-19 February 2009; ICOMOS United States Annual Symposium, held in New Orleans, USA, March, 2009. The title of the symposium was "Lessons learned from Hurricane Katrina".

## World Heritage

Proposal for an ICORP workshop to develop an evaluation methodology and criteria for the Disaster Risk Reduction components of Management Plan required as part of World Heritage nominations, and for their implementation.

## Other Activities and Programmes

Mr Axel Mykleby (ICOMOS Norway member of ICORP) is the ICOMOS representative on the Board of the Association for National Committees of the Blue Shield. Ms Robyn Riddett (ICOMOS Australia member of ICORP) has been appointed to represent ICOMOS Australia on the Board of Blue Shield Australia. Ms Sue Cole is the Secretary of the United Kingdom and Ireland Blue Shield and is also member of The Association of National Committees of the Blue Shield (ANCBS).

## Current topics

Preparation of the Resource Manual under the auspices of ICCROM on "How to develop Disaster Risk Management Plans for World Heritage Properties" as part of UNESCO's World Heritage Manual Series. Dr Rohit Jigyasu is the lead author for this manual and Ms Sue Cole is one of the Peer Reviewers.

## Partners

ICORP has an ongoing partnership with Ritsumeikan University in Japan which focuses on risk preparedness, prevention and mitigation in relation to earthquake threats.

## Rock Art (CAR)

### Statutory and Business Meetings

The International Scientific Committee on Rock Art held its annual business meeting in connection with the XXIII Valcamonica Symposium on Rock Art held in Capo di Ponte, Italy October 27 – November 3, 2009. CAR was one of the symposium's co-organising parties.

### **Seminars**

CAR members attended the UNESCO Rock Art seminar in Drakensberg, South Africa April 1 – 9; it was represented by its' current President, its Founder and First President Mr Emmanuel Anati, its regional coordinator for Africa, its regional coordinator for Latin America and several other members. The meeting was also attended by the Founder and First President of IFRAO, Mr Robert Bednarik which resulted in a much improved contact and exchange of information between CAR and that IFRAO.

### **Other Activities and Programmes**

Harmonization of the Committee's Statutes with the Eger-Xi'an principles was completed by the Secretary General Mr Christian Züchner. The task was carried out successfully thanks to the advice of Ms Pamela Jerome from ICOMOS.

### **Publications**

The INORA bulletin is regularly published by Mr Jean Clottes the Second Past President of CAR and now the President of INORA.

### **Current topics**

Of current concern to CAR's members is fund raising to ensure a long term stable structure and development platform for the Committee and support its future work. Another current topic concerns the improvement of CAR integration in ICOMOS, including participation in its general annual activities as well as the challenge to create an efficient and stable secretariat and recruiting new board members. The Committee is also seeking financial support to continue the production of reports on the Regional Thematic Studies series.

### **Special or outstanding achievements**

The enhanced focus on rock art in the prehistoric program launched by UNESCO is one of the positive effects of the close co-operation between the ICOMOS International Secretariat and CAR following presentations made at the World Heritage Committee meeting in Durban, South Africa in 2005.

## **Shared Built Heritage (ICSBH)**

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The International Scientific Committee on Shared Built Heritage held its 2009 annual meeting in Gdansk, Poland, where the new board was elected after electronic voting by the full membership. In addition, two Vice-Presidents and four special representatives were appointed to ensure worldwide representation. During a strategic meeting in Amsterdam (Netherlands) the triennial work plan was drafted and adopted, which will guide the activities of the Committee for the coming years. Early in 2010 the President extended the contacts in Asia with business meetings in Bangkok (Thailand), Bali (Indonesia) and Singapore.

### **Seminars**

The Committee participated in two scientific meetings, both in Poland. One focussed on rehabilitation of the historic cultural landscape of the Vistula region, originally created in the marchland by Dutch Mennonites in the sixteenth century and developed afterwards. The second was in Marianka/Plaslek and looked at the Gothic church architecture and decoration in Poland, Belarus and Ukraine.

## **Stained Glass**



The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Stained Glass has 33 expert members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The main Committee activities are the organisation of biennial forums on stained glass conservation, open to all professionals be they art historians, restorers, craftsmen, scientists, conservators or architects. They offer great opportunities for multidisciplinary exchanges of information and opinions. The latest statutory meeting was held during the last forum in New York at the Metropolitan Museum during June. The forum discussed the preparation of the next forum to be held in Lisbon, Portugal in September 2011.

### **Seminars**

The International Scientific Committee on Stained Glass organised a forum on conservation of stained glass at the Metropolitan Museum in New York, June 1-3. Ms Lisa Pilosi, the Committee's scientific secretary coordinated the event in collaboration with the American Corpus Vitrearum committee presided by Mr Timothy B. Husband. The theme was "The Art of Collaboration". The first two days were devoted to technical and scientific papers by lecturers from 7 countries (Germany, USA, France, Italy, Poland, UK and Switzerland). There were 125 participants from 14 countries and included restorers, master glass workers, scientists, conservators, art historians and architects. During the last day, participants visited sites where they could study works by John LaFarge and Louis C. Tiffany. The forum's proceedings will be published in 2010 by Brepols. The next forum will be held in Lisbon, Portugal on the theme of the restoration of 20<sup>th</sup> Century stained glass.

### **Current topics**

According to its new Statutes, the Committee must now recruit new members within ICOMOS and hold elections to the board. National Committees will be contacted soon to propose experts, voting members and associate members.

## **Stone (ISCS)**

The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Stone has 10 voting, 74 expert (in revision) and 2 honorary members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The International Committee on stone and inorganic porous building materials held its annual general assembly meeting. The board held also one Board meeting. ISCS discussed the topics listed on its Triennial Work Plan (2008-2011). Most of the activities in the Work Plan are now in progress.

### **Publications**

The Committee's first newsletter was published, presenting the new Board, different administrative aspects, the triennial work plan, some events which have been organised by expert members of ISCS. We also underlined in it the great importance of our publication "Illustrated Glossary on Stone Deterioration patterns/ Glossaire illustré sur les formes d'altération de la Pierre" which had been more than 55,000 downloads in 2009. The printed version has also been sold out.

### **Current topics**

The Committee activated its two sub-committees: the Glossary sub-committee and the Parks, Gardens and Cemeteries Congress subcommittee. The first one aims to promote the Illustrated Glossary on Stone Deterioration patterns and to provide the glossary as a multilingual and interactive glossary on-line and finalize the translation in other languages. The second one aims to organize an upcoming Congress on this topic in 2011.

### **Partners**

The Committee also developed a partnership with ICOMOS CIPA and ICOMOS ICAHM to organise an international conference.

## **Training (CIF)**

CIF has 106 expert members from 43 ICOMOS National Committees; 2 associate, 2 honorary, and 4 Institutional members.

### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The Bureau held one business meeting at ICCROM in Rome, October 2-3, 2009, where the executive discussed the contribution by ICCROM to support the Secretariat function for the CIF; joint projects with ICCROM; the Spring Working Conference in Rome organized in conjunction with ICCROM on Social Training (the Theme for the 2008-2011 CIF Work Program); the work program for the new Training and Education in Crafts for Conservation working group.

### **Other Activities and Programmes**

A report on the CIF nine-year work programme 2005-2014, Svätý Yur, Slovakia is available on the Committee's web site and the three-year work programme 2008-2011, Quebec, Canada will be posted soon. Committee members are working on the objectives and the multi-program for the following:

- Working group on training and education in crafts for heritage conservation: a working group has been created and the work programme is being developed

- Worldwide network of universities: With support from Gustavo Araoz, Jan Anderson, Philip Marshall, Ed Fitzgerald from the USA, Karel Bakker of South Africa, Julio Sampaio of Brazil, and Lyse Blanchet from Canada, the CIF started working on a worldwide network of universities. The aim is to give more focus on their role in training and to try to link this to the other ISCs. Following ICCROM's suggestion, the working group will use ICCROM's current directory of institutions. Several academics and institutions around the world have already been contacted to ascertain their interest. A task force is to be created.
- Review of the "Guidelines for Education and Training in the Conservation of Monuments, Ensembles and Sites". Considering the many and sometimes fundamental changes in the field of heritage conservation CIF representatives Dorian Crone and Lyse Blanchet with support from ICOMOS UK, undertook the review of the Guidelines for Education and Training in the Conservation of Monuments, Ensembles and Sites, adopted at ICOMOS General Assembly in Colombo, Sri Lanka, 1993. The Final Draft is completed. Review comments will be circulated to the CIF, the ISCs and NCs during the summer and, will be presented for approval at the next CIF meeting.
- Memorandum of Understanding with institutions and affinity organizations
- Cooperation and partnerships with the Scientific Council
- Cooperation and partnerships with ISCs and NCs

### Publications

The conclusions of the Pisa working conference held in April 2008 are being completed and will be posted on the CIF web site. The Committee hosts a web site at: <http://cif.icomos.org>. Several publications related to training in heritage conservation have been posted.

### Current topics

To ensure continuity, a working group on training and education in crafts for heritage conservation was created and is comprised of eight CIF members representing seven National Committees: its mission and activities programme will be confirmed at the CIF meeting in the fall. Public education is the main topic for the period 2009-2011.

### Partners

The Committee is working on a partnership agreement with ICCROM. CIF has four institutional members and four ISC contacts.

## Twentieth Century Heritage (ISC20C)



ISC20C members, who were able to hear first hand from ICOMOS President Gustavo Araoz of the specific issues faced by the Executive Committee and ICOMOS more broadly

The International Committee on Twentieth Century Heritage has 23 voting members: 32 expert, 25 associate, 22 honorary and 6 institutional members.

### Statutory and Business Meetings

ISC20C held its 2009 annual meeting at the Sydney Opera House on 7 July in association with the excellent ICOMOS Australia Unloved Modern Conference. The conference attracted a record number of participants and international speakers. The ISC20C meeting was held in the splendid board room of the Sydney Opera House. As the guests of the Sydney Opera House Trust, the ISC20C members were given a special tour and briefing about the Opera House over lunch by the CEO, Richard Evans. The presence of ICOMOS President Gustavo Araoz was a particular

highlight for ISC20C members, who were able to hear first hand of the specific issues faced by the Executive Committee and ICOMOS more broadly. A post conference experts tour of ISC20C members led by President Gustavo Araoz to Canberra proved a popular event for Canberra ICOMOS members and colleagues through public lectures by Canadians Dinu Bumbaru and Jacqueline Hucker at the Australian War Memorial and by Maristella Casciato and Gustavo Araoz at Old Parliament House. The ISC20C president participated in the Scientific Symposium, Scientific Council and Advisory Committee meetings in Malta, presenting for approval the updated Heritage Alerts methodology for implementation by other ICOMOS ISCs and NCs, to unanimous endorsement. ISC20C is pleased to have contributed to the ICOMOS toolkit in this way.

### **Seminars and other activities**

ISC20C participated in the assessment of Twentieth Century nominations received by the World Monuments Fund for its World Monuments watch programme, co-ordinated by Secretary General Kyle Normandin. The Committee also developed a nomination to the World Monuments Watch for the Michael Reece Hospital in Chicago. Moscow Modernist heritage ISC20C has actively advocated its conservation via a declaration co-sponsored by the ISCC20, with DOCOMOMO and UIA in 2006. ISC20C has supported the development of a supportive relationship with the City of Moscow to conserve this unique heritage, but we understand that the ICOMOS Executive Committee does not wish to proceed with a formal agreement with the city of Moscow. However, the future of the extraordinary house and collection of Konstantin Melnikov remains unresolved and the ISC20C continued to advocate for its active conservation through 2009.

A wide range of specialist papers and advice was presented by ISC20C officers and members at international meetings including:

- Unloved Modern ICOMOS Australia conference, Sydney, July 2009 - Papers by Gunny Harboe, Pamela Jerome, Kyle Normandin and Susan Macdonald. Conference organiser: Sheridan Burke
- Canberra post conference experts tour - Dinu Bumbaru and Maristella Casciato (with ICOMOS President Gustavo Araoz) presented papers at the Australian War Memorial and Old Parliament House respectively.
- First Pan-American 20th Century National Committee meeting in Saltillo, Mexico organised by Enrique De Anda Analisis
- Expert meeting regarding the work of Alvar Aalto on Paimio Sanatorium organised by the Finland National Board of Antiquities in September 2009 - Paper presented by Sheridan Burke
- Heritage Alerts project, ICOMOS Advisory Committee and Scientific Council Malta October 2009 - Paper presented by Sheridan Burke

### **Heritage@Risk**

The Heritage Alerts project has been refined since adoption in Quebec and piloted for use by ISC20C through 2009. At the meeting of the Advisory Committee in Malta the methodology and template was approved unanimously and offered for use and adaptation by ICCOMOS more widely. An advocacy sub-committee has been formed to manage ISC20C Heritage Alerts. We also invite a representative from a previous Heritage Alert case to join the sub-committee and currently Britt Wisth (Sweden) occupies that role. This year the ISC20C has assessed three major Heritage Alert requests. Other initial enquiries did not proceed. We also provided advice for ICOFORT to prepare a Heritage Alert on a site within its special interest area.

- Stockholm City Library - An extensive and well-orchestrated media campaign for the Heritage Alert promoted the need for Swedish authorities to think again about the proposed construction of a new library which would have adversely impacted the highly significant Gunnar Asplund designed library, its annexes and setting. Swedish radio and TV interviews with the ISC20C president focussed on the reasoning about why an international body such as ICOMOS - let alone anyone in distant Australia would see this issue as being so significant across the world. The debate was lively and the engagement of ICOMOS Sweden was critical to the success of this Heritage Alert. The library expansion project has now been set aside, but when it recommences the issues identified by ICOMOS will be once again raised.
- Sanatorium Joseph Lemaire, Tombeek, Belgium - A full Heritage Alert report was prepared by the ISC20C Advocacy sub-committee to urge Belgian authorities to support the active re-use of the Fernand and Maxime Brunfaut 1936/7 designed TB sanatorium which has been unused and increasingly vandalised since 1987. ISC20C joined DOCOMOMO in this campaign, but we were not able to secure the support of the Belgian (Flanders) ICOMOS National Committee and the Heritage Alert did not proceed.
- Finsbury Park Health Centre, London, UK - A full Heritage Alert report was prepared by the ISC20C Advocacy subcommittee to urge British Authorities to conserve the ongoing National Health use of this Berthold Lubetkin 1938 designed polyclinic rather than dispose of it on the open property market. Despite very swift action by ISC20C, UK ICOMOS National Committee was unable to respond and the Heritage Alert did not proceed.

ISC20C Heritage Alert programme requires that National Committees agree with the proposed Heritage Alert campaign before action is taken. National Committees are engaged and advised from the moment an enquiry is received by ISC20C. However, the practical difficulties associated raise questions about how effective the Heritage Alerts system can be if national responses are slow or otherwise engaged in the specific project?

### **World Heritage**

A workshop entitled "World Heritage and the Places of the 20th Century" was held in Sydney on 7th July 2009. The workshop is the second on this topic held by ISC20C, the first was held at the ICOMOS General Assembly in Quebec. The meeting aimed to recap on the issues the key organizations present (ICOMOS, DOCOMOMO, UIA, TICCIH) are dealing with in supporting the conservation of twentieth-century heritage places and discuss recent activities and advice to the World Heritage Committee on 20th century heritage.



Two draft papers were provided in advance of the meeting which addressed questions and issues raised by the World Heritage Committee in relation to 20C heritage: Draft guidelines for preparing a thematic framework for nominations to the World Heritage List for 20th century places; Draft paper on approaches to comparative analysis. The Sydney workshop agreed the following action for developing the Twentieth Century heritage thematic framework: to form a subcommittee to include ISC20 members, ICOMOS, DOCOMOMO, TICCIH and a UIA rep to: develop the thematic framework for Twentieth century heritage places to be agreed by the ISC20C (and hopefully our member organisations): and draft a brief on how to proceed to establish the global themes and seek funding for an independent consultants work as agreed at the previous workshop in October 2007. The workshop agreed that the draft position paper on comparative analysis can now be passed to the ICOMOS World Heritage Working group (Chair Kristal Buckley) and Regina Durighello for comment and use. ISC20C has provided advice to ICOMOS on World Heritage nomination missions and policy development relating to twentieth century heritage properties and the World Heritage convention. Sheridan Burke undertook an expert mission for ICOMOS to Japan to review the Le Corbusier designed National Museum of Modern Art, part of the serial site nomination of his work.

### **Other Activities and Programmes**

Vice President Enrique de Anda Alanis organised the First Pan-American 20th Century Committee meeting in Saltillo, Mexico and is assisting in planning the next 20th century regional meeting in Brasilia, June 2010 organized by ICOMOS Brazil.

### **Publications**

The ISC20C is currently finalising with the WH Secretariat a position paper on Twentieth Century World Heritage matters to publish on the Committee's website. Papers from the Unloved Modern conference in Sydney in 2009 will be published by ICOMOS Australia in its journal, Historic Environment. The information brochure about ISCC20 was revised in June 2009 and widely circulated at the Unloved Modern conference in Sydney and the Mata Advisory Committee. Annual reports about the committee activities of ISC20C have been submitted to the Scientific Council of ICOMOS and will be available on the website.

ISC20C has developed its own website <http://icomos-isc20c.org/>

### **Current topics**

ISC20C operates without financial or secretariat support entirely from its members personal funds. Our Secretary General is financing our website development, for example. We generated modest income through review work for the World Monuments Fund this year, but the dedication of funds to implement our Triennial Action Plan e.g. to stimulate and support national ISC20Cs, or undertake a printed publication for example, is obviously limited. ISC20C would appreciate advice from other ISCs on improving this situation. ISC20C operates in English and relies upon its own members to translate documents into Spanish and French. In 2002 The Istanbul Principles were agreed by ICOMOS Europe with DOCOMOMO and their review and updating has been recommended to the ICOMOS Secretary General by ISC20C as a component of ICOMOS general partnership arrangements. Heritage Alerts ISC20C has successfully developed, trialled and launched this valuable addition to the ICOMOS toolkit. ISC20C Heritage Alerts require that National Committees agree with the proposed Heritage Alert campaign before action is taken. National Committees are engaged and advised from the moment an enquiry is received by ISC20C. The future of the extraordinary house and collection of Konstantin Melnikov remains unresolved and the ISC20C continued to advocate for its active conservation through 2009. Concerning the World Heritage Thematic framework for Twentieth century heritage places, ISC20C is developing a draft brief on establishing the global themes and is seeking funding through ICOMOS to engage an independent consultant to develop this project.

### **Partners**

There is now a formal agreement with UIA (International Union of Architects) to collaborate on issues of mutual interest in Twentieth Century Heritage conservation, largely through the ongoing commitment of ISCC20 member Louise Cox, President of UIA. The Istanbul principles were agreed by the ICOMOS Europe Group with DOCOMOMO in 2002 and their review and updating has been recommended to the ICOMOS Secretary General as a component of ICOMOS general partnership arrangements.

## **Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH)**

The International Committee on Underwater Cultural Heritage has 34 expert members.

The first step in internal change in 2009 was to define membership criteria. It was clear from the beginning of this process that membership could not be opened up to all ICOMOS members with an interest in Underwater Cultural Heritage, as would be the logical consequence of the Eger-Xi'an Principles. The reason for this is that ICUCH has consistently experienced pressure from National Committees promoting members that are involved with underwater cultural heritage, but whose professionalism or whose involvement in operations and excavations that directly or indirectly produce artefacts for the market are nevertheless seen as problematic for the specific aims of the Committee. Unlike on land, many practices that are considered undesirable are not illegal in the context of the underwater world. But ICUCH does not want to accept that as a basis for future policy development, for which isolating undesirable activities and gradually making them illegal makes more sense. This specific position has been explained to and accepted by the Scientific Council.

Nevertheless, clear procedures and a democratic structure had to be devised. Unlike for other ISCs it was clear that admission to membership would be subject to a ballot, which should be organised in a transparent way within the Committee itself. Working closely with ICLAFI and using their model statutes as a template, new statutes were drafted. For the acceptance of these new statutes the procedure of the original statutes was followed, including approval of the list of voting members and a vote for acceptance of the Statutes. In June 2009 the new ICUCH statute was accepted. According to this statute the Committee has members and a Bureau of nine officers, who are elected from the membership and whose period of office is three years. New members can be nominated by National Committees or by sitting members. Although there will always be consultation between the ICUCH Bureau and the National Committee in question, the fact that one is nominated by a National Committee is not a guarantee for acceptance, as acceptance is subject to a ballot by the Bureau. In view of this, it is not useful to distinguish between different categories of members with different kinds of voting rights. All members are equal. This in turn leads to some concern about regional representation or over-representation of a particular country. This issue is resolved through the composition of the Bureau in which no two members relate to the same National Committee and in which each of the five UNESCO regions must be represented by at least one member. Three of the Bureau offices come up for election each year, ensuring constant rotation.

The strategy for implementation of the statutes includes a strategy for the internal structure and a strategy for membership recruitment. According to the first, 2009 saw the election of three officers for a two year period covering 2010 and 2011 (the three members of the 'temporary board' were elected as such), while three other bureau members (John Gribble (RSA), Emad Khalil (ET) and Martijn Manders (NL)) were elected for the period 2010 through 2012. Thijs Maarleveld was elected President for 2010. In 2010 elections will be held to fill the last three offices, after which the rotation system is in place. In view of the strategy for membership recruitment, the aim is to expand the membership to around 50 in 2010 and to double again in the two years thereafter. The membership criteria of professionalism and active and publicly shown adherence to the 1996 Charter are leading, but the increase in numbers prioritizes under-represented regions and unrepresented countries, especially those countries that have ratified the 2001 Convention.

With the Statutes and strategies for development and controlled growth in place, ICUCH can continue to develop as authoritative representative of the international community of heritage professionals working with underwater sites. It has transparent and democratic procedures in place to ensure proper regional representation. These align with the Eger-Xi'an Principles as much as possible, diverge from them with an extra ballot and by full democratization of the membership on the basis of equal voting rights.

#### **Statutory and Business Meetings**

The entry into force of the 2001 Convention meant that a first States Parties meeting was held in March in Paris and that a second such meeting followed in December. The result was that ICUCH held three General Meetings in 2009. The AGM was held in Esbjerg in the beginning of October in conjunction with the biannual congress of the International Council of Maritime Museums, ICMM, a specialist ICOM affiliate. Besides a joint symposium, the AGM concentrated on internal business and revision of strategies and action plans relating to promotion and training. The other two general meetings were held at the secretariat in Paris in coordination for the two States Parties meetings. Most of the 34 ICUCH members (status December 2009) attended at least one of these three meetings.

At the first State Parties Meeting, the ICUCH president was guest of honour and delivered one of the opening speeches, alongside Director-General Koichiro Matsuura and the former Secretary-General of the United Nations Javier Perez de Cuellar. During the proceedings of the meeting, the rules of procedure for the Scientific and Technical Advisory Board (STAB) of the 2001 Convention were negotiated. These Rules of Procedure now refer to ICUCH as advisor to STAB with which it will closely cooperate. During the second meeting the presence of ICUCH was less prominent, although its delegates spoke several times. The agenda of the second States Parties Meeting mainly dealt with the election of STAB members and with the procedure for preparation of operational guidelines for the Convention, a process that the States Parties want to approach strictly intergovernmentally. However, with a view to practicality, the independent advice of ICUCH is essential and it is quite clear that the role of the Committee continues to be an important one in this context. The membership recruitment policy reflects this need.

#### **Seminars**

26 October – 6 December - Chantaburi, Thailand, 15 participants - Fifteen trainees from Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Lao PDR and Thailand participated in the six-week Foundation Course. The training activity was organized by the UNESCO Bangkok Office in collaboration with ICOMOS-ICUCH, NAS and the Underwater Archaeology Division of Thailand to which the Centre is attached. In the long term the regional field training programme aims to establish the Centre as a UNESCO Category 2 institute, to mobilize the support of the Asian Academy for Heritage Management and to encourage participating Member States to contribute in the Centre's operations. ICUCH is one of the implementation partners. Its central role is in development of the curriculum and to sustain a level of quality. Bureau member Martijn Manders (Netherlands) has coordinated ICUCH's role, together with Emad Khalil (Estonia) and David Nutley (Australia). Other members contributed as trainers. A second regional training programme was held in the Solomon Islands. Its date in December was not favourable for a wide attendance.

## World Heritage

Promotion of the 2001 Convention for Underwater Cultural Heritage and assistance to the UNESCO secretariat brought ICUCH members to a range of international meetings. Some of these were specifically designed for regional promotion of the Convention, others integrated with other happenings. The contact and advice to the UNESCO secretariat intensified as the 2001 Convention entered into force. ICUCH serves as a sounding board from the profession and advises on promotion issues and steps in implementation of the Convention, both on request and unsolicited. Particular issues that commanded attention have been the production of a promotional film and a range of issues surrounding it, as well as providing content and links for the educational programme, promotional booklets, websites and the like. Special mention deserves the start of a project to prepare a manual explaining the operational rules of the annex of the Convention. ICUCH serves as a clearing house for finding suitable contributors and editors.

## Vernacular Architecture (CIAV)



The International Committee on Vernacular Architecture has 108 members from 51 countries.

### Statutory and Business Meetings

The International Committee on Vernacular Architecture (CIAV) held its annual meeting with the elections for a president and three board members in Québec City, Canada in October 2008. The board held three meetings and discussed membership drives, overhauling the Committee's web site, and future Committee orientations.

### Seminars

With the assistance of Transylvania Nostra, ICOMOS Romania, ICOMOS Hungary and ICOMOS Germany, CIAV held an open seminar that dealt with different aspects of conservation. This seminar discussed the conservation of

ethno cultural heritage with 75 participants and 20 lectures. A special emphasis was placed on how the heritage of the region of Transylvania has been treated in the past 25 years and how the current issues of planning and management should be approached. Finally, the Rimetea Document, a declaration co-written by ICOMOS Romania, ICOMOS Hungary and ICOMOS Germany and CIAV was adopted by all those present.

## World Heritage

During the year, particular attention was given to the nomination of the villages of Yangdong and Hahoe, South Korea as World Heritage properties. CIAV contributed to the ICOMOS World Heritage mandate by analyzing trends in relation to the presentation of the universal values of vernacular heritage which were forwarded to the World Heritage Working Group. This activity was undertaken at the request of ICOMOS Korea.

## Other Activities and Programmes

With support from the European Union, the Government of Finland, and a private foundation, Vernadoc, under the leadership of Markku Mattila, organized a training session in recording, enabling participation of 16 young professionals from seven countries. Since its founding in 2005, Finland Vernadoc has financially supported the participation of 29 young professionals and 16 working professionals in these recording projects. During the same time, four international Vernadoc projects were organized in Thailand by Sudjit Sananwai.

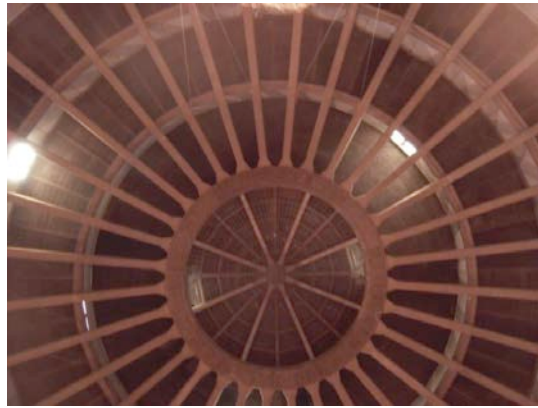
## Publications

Five newsletters were published, all on special themes, including vernacular architecture of Sweden, and one on the conclusions of the CIAV annual meeting which took place in Romania in May 2009. The Committee hosts a web site <http://ciav.icomos.org/>

## Partners

CIAV has produced the Rimetea Document in collaboration with ICOMOS Romania, ICOMOS Hungary and ICOMOS Germany.

## Wood (IIWC)



Wrocław, Centennial Hall, 1911 – 1913 by Architect Max Berg. - The Centennial Hall dome

The ICOMOS International Wood Committee has 56 expert and 1 honorary members.

### Statutory and Business Meetings

The International Committee on Wood held no annual meeting in 2009 except the Joint ISCARSAH – IIWC Meeting in Wrocław, Poland. The President and board members were elected in Quebec, Canada in October 2008.

### Seminars

The Conference REMO (Repair, Conservation and Strengthening of the Traditionally Erected Buildings and Historic Buildings) was organized 2-4 December 2009, in Wrocław and in the Wojanow Palace. The 2009 IIWC Symposium took place, as part of the REMO Conference in Poland, on the 3rd December, in the afternoon, in Wojanow Palace, co-chaired by IIWC President and Professor Andrzej Kadluczka. Very few IIWC members had the opportunity to participate. In REMO joint ISCARSAH and IIWC meetings were held (David Yeomans, Jerzy Jasinko and Gennaro Tampone), during which the IIWC members focused the attention of the participants on the importance of education and training and on the efforts needed to stimulate the sensibility of engineers, architects, technicians, and especially young people. Extract from the report on the REMO conference by the IIWC President: "During the bus transfer from Wrocław to Wojanow Palace, where the conference took place, the participants visited the Centennial Hall designed by Architect Max Berg, built in special reinforced concrete in 1911 – 1913, to celebrate 100 years of the Victory on Napoleon. The building and its wonderful dome are inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List for their outstanding value". Participants visited the remarkable Protestant Wooden Churches of Swiednicza and Javor, both on UNESCO's World Heritage List for their outstanding value. In Javor participants were shown evidence of sinking and rotation of the walls in the Fachwerkbau (timber frame system), in the right wing close to the entrance, probably caused by soil settlement; they were shown interesting and innovative restoration works. One of the papers' subjects was the Wooden Church of Mięgisz Stary, near Cracow. The site and the church were visited during the research on The Hidden European Wooden Churches Heritage, lead by Gennaro Tampone and financed by the European Union (proceedings 2006 available on demand on CD); the church and its structural characteristics were later studied by Professors Andrzej Kadluczka and Jerzy Jasienko, who presented a scientific paper on its mechanical failures in Florence during the 17th IIWC Symposium (Florence, Venice, Vicenza, 2007; proceedings available on demand on CD)."

### Heritage@Risk

Wooden Church of Mięgisz Stary, Poland - The hall of the Church of Mięgisz Stary has a rectangular layout but the painted dome is polygonal and supported by the walls and other architectural elements, imitating the masonry buildings. The building is outstanding but in very bad shape, threatened with collapse and destruction; the site is very fashionable and romantic, with magnificent old trees but they too are in a condition of neglect. Recently the original precious Iconostasis of Mięgisz Stary, which was lost, has been discovered; there are plans to reinsert it, or maybe just a copy, in the original location to redesign the interior in its original architectural form.

**Other Activities and Programmes**

Gennaro Tampone, as President of IIBC and Lecturer at ICCROM, held a two-day (20- 21 March) Seminar in Florence on the "Patrimony of Ancient Timber Structures in the World" and on the "Conservation of Ancient Timber Structures" for the participants to the ICCROM International Course on "Conservation of Built Heritage". Gennaro Tampone was also invited by the COST Organization to give two Lectures, which were held on 18th and 19th of May in Florence, on "The Patrimony of Timber Roofs" and on the "Conservation of Ancient Timber Structures". The President of IIBC, was invited by The Società degli Ingegneri ed Architetti di Torino to give a lecture on the "Conservation of Ancient Timber Structures" on 9th December and carried out several educational activities (lectures, conferences) in the field of conservation of ancient timber structures. He also attended the International Meeting of the COST Organization held in May 2009 in Florence with two invited papers on "Failures of the Ancient Timber Structures" and "Conservation of the Ancient Timber Structures". The REMO meeting was organized with the scientific cooperation of IIBC.

**Publications**

The IIBC Charter on Historic Timber Structures was translated into Norwegian and Swedish and is now available on the Committee's web site.



### Financial Statements

The Income Statement and Balance of ICOMOS at 31 December 2009 are fully reproduced in the next pages. For better understanding, the figures for 2008 are also given. In 2009, revenues and expenses balanced at 1 596 619 €.

The surplus for the period amounted to 140 824 € and represents the most important surplus registered by ICOMOS during the past ten years. The overriding fact, however, is that this surplus is the direct result of the normal activity of ICOMOS in 2009. Indeed, the operating result amounted to 217 545 € while the financial result actually registered a loss of 77 491 € (the amount of the extraordinary results is negligible).

In 2009, contracts signed by ICOMOS totalled at 1 270 564 US\$ and 222 869 €. In 2008, the amounts were respectively 919 600 US\$ and 20 000 €.

The year under review therefore witnessed a sharp increase in the absolute amount of contracts signed. This increase is mainly due to the retroactive adjustments that were negotiated in terms of the timing of the financing of expenditures related to World Heritage activities under the auspices of our Secretary General and therefore the signature of an important supplementary contract with UNESCO.

At the same time the importance of the euro / dollar exchange rate in obtaining this surplus operating result must be emphasized. In fact, for the ICOMOS 2009 Budget an exchange rate of 1 € = 1,30 US\$ was chosen, while in 2008 the exchange rate used had been 1 € = 1,50 US\$. The ICOMOS accounts, which by law must be held in euro, thus directly reflect these exchange rate differences as for 2009 the total of contracts amounting to 1 270 564 US\$ represents 977 350 € at an 1,30 rate and only 847 050 € at 1,50. These exchange gains or losses are arbitrary and depend directly on the exchange rate chosen to prepare the ICOMOS budget. From 2010, all UNESCO contracts should be signed in euro and therefore, the incidence of the exchange rate should be close to none.

2009 also saw a slight increase in the number of ICOMOS members. At end of December 2009 we registered almost 10 000 members, as opposed to 9300 at end 2008. Thus income from membership fees increased by just over 35 000 € in 2009.

Furthermore, due to a lack in human resources, no printed ICOMOS newsletter was issued in 2009. However, regular electronic newsletters were circulated.

In summary, in 2009 ICOMOS' revenues were particularly high due to a favourable exchange rate, retroactive adjustments to the timing of payments for the World Heritage contract and membership growth. At the same time, expenditures increased less sharply than revenue mainly due to the ICOMOS newsletter not being published.

Despite the very important surplus recorded by ICOMOS for 2009, the underlying structure of revenues and expenditures remains unchanged with regards to previous years and, in the absence of diversification in our activities or further membership growth, the 2010 volume of business will probably again be closer to that of previous years.

### Victoria Falls Fund

In 2008, ICOMOS' own Victoria Falls – Mosi-oa-Tunya Solidarity Fund for the first time supported 4 candidates to attend the 16<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Quebec. In 2009, National Committees were again encouraged to fundraise for the Fund when invoicing members for their annual dues. Following previous contributions by the National Committees of Finland, Belgium and Australia, at end 2009 the Fund amounted to 4776 €. Particular thanks go to ICOMOS Belgium who renewed its contribution in 2009.

Established following a resolution of the 14<sup>th</sup> General Assembly (2003), the Victoria Falls Fund allows the ICOMOS membership to directly support the attendance of colleagues facing financial difficulties at ICOMOS events, in particular General Assemblies. The Fund is mainly financed through annual contributions by ICOMOS members, but it can also accept public or private donations. The Fund is managed by the ICOMOS International Secretariat, and the grants from the Fund (along with similar grants received from other sources, such as the Getty Foundation) are allocated by a Committee established by the Executive Committee, so as to ensure its neutral and equitable use, based on agreed and transparently communicated criteria. The International Secretariat keeps detailed administrative and audited financial records of the use of the Fund and reports annually to the Executive Committee and the donor Committees.

The fundraising objective for the coming years is to enable a greater number of colleagues to attend the General Assembly in 2011.

### **Raymond Lemaire Fund for Next Generation Skills**

Endorsed in March 2008 by the Executive Committee, the Fund was launched during the Forum for Young Professionals held at the 16th General Assembly that year with the sum of 5000 € donated by the children of Raymond Lemaire. By end 2009, the Fund had received a further 600 € in donations by individual ICOMOS members and amounted to 5600 €.

The conditions for the method of disbursement will have to be developed by the Executive Committee. It is aimed to award the first bursary on the occasion of the 2011 General Assembly.



## Balance Sheet 2009 at 31 December

Assets (in €)	2009			2008
	Gross	Deprec, amort.& Prov.	Net	Net
<i>Tangible fixed assets</i>				
Fixtures, installations	200 836	200 836	0	0
Office and IT equipment	35 901	31 430	4 471	5 934
Furniture	8 625	8 625	0	0
<i>Investments</i>				
Deposits and guarantees (Rent)	17 728		17 728	17 728
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>263 089</b>	<b>240 891</b>	<b>22 199</b>	<b>23 662</b>
<i>Receivables</i>				
Contributions receivable	52 813	21 313	31 500	0
Contracts receivable	239 516		239 516	10 778
Subsidies receivable	0		0	10 307
Other receivables	398		398	0
Cash and equivalents	433 740		433 740	317 566
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>726 467</b>	<b>21 313</b>	<b>705 154</b>	<b>328 344</b>
Deferred charges	16 499		16 499	97 781
Asset translation differences	23 176		23 176	0
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1 029 231</b>	<b>262 204</b>	<b>767 027</b>	<b>449 788</b>

Liabilities and association equity (in €)	2009			2008
	Gross	Deprec. Amort.& Prov.	Net	Net
<i>Association equity</i>				
Opening financing funds	174 922		174 922	144 438
Surplus or deficit for the period	140 824		140 824	30 484
Investment subsidies recognised as income			-	-
<b>Total Association Equity</b>	<b>315 746</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>315 746</b>	<b>174 922</b>
<i>Provisions for contingencies and risks</i>				
Provisions for risks	23 176		23 176	0
Provisions for contingencies	121 396		121 396	0
<b>Total Provisions</b>	<b>144 572</b>		<b>144 572</b>	<b>0</b>
Accounts payable and related accounts	56 747		56 747	58 354
Tax and social liabilities	5 788		5 788	4 833
Staff	70 044		70 044	46 461
Charges payable	101 374		101 374	85 193
Other creditors	72 486		72 486	73 459
Victoria Falls Fund Donations	9 731		9 731	8 256
Balance ISC20C Account	200		200	0
Balance CIPA Account	21 344		21 344	17 555
Balance ICOMOS Israel Subvention	35 611		35 611	42 647
Raymond Lemaire Fund Donations	5 600		5 600	5 000
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>306 439</b>		<b>306 439</b>	<b>268 300</b>
Deferred income	270		270	5 300
Liability translation differences	0		0	1 266
<b>Total liabilities and association equity</b>	<b>767 027</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>767 027</b>	<b>449 788</b>

## Profit and Loss Account 2009

Income (in €)	2009		2008	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
UNESCO contracts	1 158 443	73	610 379	51
Other contracts	15 265	1	-	-
Contributions	311 275	19	297 550	25
Subsidies	81 373	5	145 046	12
Sale of publications	4 370	0	2 940	0
Related income	1 001	0	2 775	0
Transfers of charges	3 775	0	-109	0
Release of operating provisions	16 251	1	42 574	4
Release of provisions for charges	-	-	-	-
<b>Total operating income</b>	<b>1 591 753</b>		<b>1 101 154</b>	
Financial income	398	0	784	0
Foreign exchange gains	3 699	0	66 023	6
Release of provisions for foreign exchange losses	-	-	23 325	2
<b>Total financial income</b>	<b>4 097</b>		<b>90 131</b>	
Exceptional income from previous years	-	-	-	-
Exceptional income	769	0	473	0
<b>Total exceptional income</b>	<b>769</b>		<b>473</b>	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1 596 619</b>		<b>1 191 758</b>	

Costs (in €)	2009		2008	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Direct costs of activity	135 860	9	116 503	10
Property and equipment	105 670	7	96 479	8
Outside staff	64 016	4	44 975	4
Travel and missions	102 202	6	94 908	8
Other external consumption	217 204	14	183 734	15
Staff costs	598 465	37	538 107	45
Bad debts	5 003	0	27 508	2
Depreciation and amortisation	3 078	0	2 711	0
Provision for contingencies	121 396	8	-	-
Operating provisions	21 313	1	16 251	1
<b>Total operating costs</b>	<b>1 374 207</b>		<b>1 121 176</b>	
Financial charges	782	0	1 006	0
Foreign exchange losses	57 630	4	39 093	3
Provisions for foreign exchange losses	23 176	1	-	-
<b>Total financial charges</b>	<b>81 588</b>		<b>40 098</b>	
Exceptional charges for previous years	-	-	-	-
Exceptional charges	-	-	-	-
<b>Total exceptional charges</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>	
<b>Surplus or deficit for the year</b>	<b>140 824</b>		<b>30 484</b>	
<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>1 596 619</b>		<b>1 191 758</b>	

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**RAPPORT GENERAL DU COMMISSAIRE AUX COMPTES SUR LES COMPTES  
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Mesdames, Messieurs,

En exécution de la mission qui nous a été confiée, nous vous présentons notre rapport relatif à l'exercice clos le 31 décembre 2009 sur :

- le contrôle des comptes annuels de l'Association tels qu'ils sont joints au présent rapport
- la justification de nos appréciations
- les vérifications et informations spécifiques prévues par la loi

Il nous appartient, sur la base de notre audit, d'exprimer une opinion sur ces comptes.

## **I. OPINION SUR LES COMPTES ANNUELS**

Nous avons effectué notre audit selon les normes d'exercice professionnel applicables en France ; ces normes requièrent la mise en œuvre de diligences permettant d'obtenir l'assurance raisonnable que les comptes annuels ne comportent pas d'anomalies significatives. Un audit consiste à vérifier, par sondages ou au moyen d'autres méthodes de sélection, les éléments justifiant des montants et informations figurant dans les comptes annuels. Il consiste également à apprécier les principes comptables suivis, les estimations significatives retenues et la présentation d'ensemble des comptes. Nous estimons que les éléments que nous avons collectés sont suffisants et appropriés pour fonder notre opinion.

Nous certifions que les comptes annuels sont, au regard des règles et principes comptables français, réguliers et sincères et donnent une image fidèle du résultat des opérations de l'exercice écoulé ainsi que de la situation financière et du patrimoine de l'Association à la fin de cet exercice.

## **II. – JUSTIFICATION DES APPRECIATIONS**

En application des dispositions de l'article L. 823-9 du Code de Commerce, relatives à la justification de nos appréciations, nous devons vous faire part des éléments suivants :

- nos contrôles relatifs à l'exercice clos le 31 décembre 2009 portant notamment sur le respect des principes comptables suivis et les estimations significatives retenues pour l'arrêté des comptes sociaux ainsi que leur présentation d'ensemble n'appellent pas de commentaire particulier.
- nous nous sommes également assurés qu'aucun élément d'importance intervenu avant ou après la clôture ne pourrait remettre en cause d'une façon significative le résultat de l'exercice.

Les appréciations ainsi portées s'inscrivent dans le cadre de notre démarche d'audit des comptes annuels, pris dans leur ensemble, et ont donc contribué à la formation de notre opinion exprimée dans la première partie de ce rapport.

## **III. VERIFICATIONS ET INFORMATIONS SPECIFIQUES**

Nous avons également procédé, conformément aux normes d'exercice professionnel applicables en France, aux vérifications spécifiques prévues par la loi.

Nous n'avons pas d'observation à formuler sur la sincérité et la concordance avec les comptes annuels des informations données dans le rapport du Comité Exécutif sur la situation financière et les comptes annuels.

Fait à PARIS  
Le 22 février 2010

MARCOLLA et ASSOCIES  
  
Jean-Pierre MARCOLLA  
Commissaire aux Comptes

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Mesdames, Messieurs,

En notre qualité de Commissaire aux Comptes de votre Association, nous vous présentons notre rapport sur les conventions et ce conformément aux dispositions des articles L. 612-5 et R. 612-6 du Code de Commerce.

Il ne nous appartient pas de rechercher l'existence éventuelle d'autres conventions mais de vous communiquer, sur la base des informations qui nous ont été données, les caractéristiques et les modalités essentielles de celles dont nous avons été avisés, sans avoir à nous prononcer sur leur utilité et leur bien-fondé. Il vous appartient d'apprécier l'intérêt qui s'attachait à la conclusion de ces conventions en vue de leur approbation.

Votre Association a réglé en 2009 aux membres du Comité Exécutif les sommes suivantes au titre de la participation à la réunion du panel de l'Icomos pour la convention du patrimoine mondial :

Monsieur John HURD	400 €
Monsieur Francisco LOPEZ MORALES	400 €
Madame Natalia TUREKULOVA	400 €
Madame Mina EL MGHARI	400 €
Madame Angela ROJAS	400 €
Monsieur Alfredo CONTI	400 €
Monsieur Rasool VATANDOUST	400 €
Monsieur Stefan BELISHKI	400 €
Monsieur Webber NDORO	400 €
Madame Kristal BUCKLEY	400 €
Monsieur Zhan GUO	400 €



Nous avons effectué nos travaux selon les normes de la profession ; ces normes requièrent la mise en œuvre de diligences destinées à vérifier la concordance des informations qui nous ont été données avec les documents de base dont elles sont issues.

Fait à PARIS  
Le 22 février 2010

MARCOLLA et ASSOCIES  
  
Jean-Pierre MARCOLLA  
Commissaire aux Comptes



### Attachment 1

#### List of Reference Documents included in Volume 2

- DOCUMENT 1 :  
Policy for ICOMOS representation at events (adopted by the Executive Committee in February 2009 and revised in October 2010)
- DOCUMENT 2 :  
The Dubrovnik-Valletta Principles recommended by the Advisory Committee for adoption in October 2009 and adopted by the Executive Committee in February 2010.
- DOCUMENT 3 :
  - Malta Guidelines for the ICOMOS International Scientific Committees recommended by the Advisory Committee for adoption in October 2009 and adopted by the Executive Committee in February 2010
- DOCUMENT 4 :
  - Model Statutes for National Committees adopted by the Executive Committee in October 2009



### ICOMOS Statutory Bodies, Committees and International Secretariat

#### Executive Committee (2008-2011)

##### President

Mr Gustavo Araoz (USA)

##### Secretary General

Ms Bénédicte Selfslagh (Belgium)

##### Treasurer General

Mr Jadran Antolovic (Croatia, until May 2009)

Mr Philippe La Hausse de Lalouvière (Mauritius, from June 2009)

##### Vice Presidents

Ms Kristal Buckley (Australia)

Mr Guo Zhan (China)

Mr Andrew Hall (South Africa)

Mr Francisco Lopez Morales (Mexico)

Mr Olivier Poisson (France, until February 2009)

Mr Wilfried Lipp (Austria, from February 2009)

##### Executive Committee members

Ms Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias (Greece)

Mr Alfredo Conti (Argentina)

Mr Gideon Koren (Israel)

Ms Kirsti Kovanen (Finland)

Mr Philippe La Hausse de Lalouvière (Mauritius, until June 2009)

Mr Wilfried Lipp (Austria, until February 2009)

Mr Christoph Machat (Germany)

Ms Anila Naeem (Pakistan, from October 2009)

Mr Yasuyoshi Okada (Japan)

Ms Hae-Un Rii (Republic of Korea)

Ms Angela Rojas (Cuba)

Ms Hristina Staneva (Bulgaria) † July 2009

Mr Boguslaw Szmygin (Poland)

Mr Benjamin Mouton (France, from February 2009)

Mr Stefan Belishki (Bulgaria, from October 2009)

##### Co-opted Executive Committee members

Mr Rasool Vatandoust (Iran, from November 2008)

Ms Mina ElMghari (Marocco, from February 2009)

Mr Webber Ngoro (Zimbabwe, from February 2009)

Ms Adi Meretui Ratinabuabua (Fiji, from February 2009)

Ms Natalia Turekulova (Kazakhstan, from February 2009)

##### Chairman Advisory Committee

Mr John Hurd (United Kingdom)

##### Honorary Presidents (ex officio):

Mr Michel Parent (France) † May 2009

Mr Roland Silva (Sri Lanka)

Mr Michael Petzet (Germany)

## **Executive Committee – Working Group World Heritage Working Group (2009-2011)**

### **Chair**

Ms Kristal Buckley (Co-chair March 2008 to October 2009, Chair from October 2009)

### **Members**

Mr Gustavo Araoz, President of ICOMOS (ex-officio)  
Ms Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias (from October 2009)  
Mr Alfredo Conti (from October 2009)  
Ms Kirsti Kovanen (from October 2009)  
Mr Gideon Koren (from October 2009)  
Mr Christoph Machat (from October 2009)  
Ms Hae Uni Rii (from October 2009)  
Ms Angela Rojas (from October 2009)  
Ms Bénédicte Selfslagh  
Ms Hristina Staneva † July 2009  
Ms Natalia Turekulova (from October 2009)  
Mr Rasool Vatandoust (from October 2009)  
Mr Guo Zhan (co-chair March 2008 to October 2009)  
Ms Regina Durighello  
Ms Gwenaëlle Bourdin  
Mr Philippe Bragard  
Mr Michel Cotte  
Ms Susan Denyer  
Ms Lynne di Stefano

## **Advisory Committee**

### **Chairman**

Mr John Hurd (United Kingdom, 2006-2009 and 2009-2012)

### **Vice Chairmen**

Mr Marc de Caraffe (Canada, 2009-2012)  
Mr Dosso Sindou (Ivory Coast, 2006-2009 and 2009-2012)

### **Members**

The Advisory Committee is composed of the Chairs of the National and International Scientific Committees are de facto members of the Advisory Committee. See lists of Committees below, including attendance to the 2009 Advisory Committee meeting (Valetta, Malta)

### **Advisory Committee Task Teams (concluded their work end 2009)**

Task Team 1 - Membership and statutes:

Mr Peter Phillips, ICOMOS Australia (chair)

Task Team 2 - Regional co-operation:

Mr Peter Cox, ICOMOS Ireland (chair)

Task Team 3 - Co-operation between ISCs and the Scientific Council:

Ms Hristina Staneva, ICOMOS Bulgaria (chair) † July 2009, replaced by Mr Gideon Koren (ICOMOS Israel)

Task Team 4 - Involvement of ICOMOS National Committees in World Heritage work of ICOMOS:

Mr Donald Hankey, ICOMOS UK (chair)

Task Team 5 – ICOMOS Openness and Transparency:

Mr Gisle Jakhelln, ICOMOS Norway (chair)

## National Committees

By December 2009, ICOMOS counted 113 National Committees. The list below includes their Chairperson, who is a member of the Advisory Committee. If a committee has elected a new Chair in 2009, both the names of the former Chair and the new Chair are given.

**NEW** National Committee formally approved in 2009

\* The Chairperson or a representative of the Committee attended the 2009 Advisory Committee meeting in Valletta (Malta);

\*\* The Committee did not send a representative to the 2009 Advisory Committee meeting but sent apologies

### Albania

Valter Shtylla

### Andorra

Enric Dilme

### Argentina\*

Alfredo Conti

### Armenia\*\*

Gagik Gyurjyan

### Australia\*

Peter Phillips

Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy

### Austria\*

Wilfried Lipp

### Bahrain

Sh. May Muhammad Al Khalifa

### Bangladesh

Enamul Haque

### Belarus

Uladzimir Hilep

### Belgium\*

Stéphane Demeter

### Benin

Aimé Gonçalves

### Bolivia

Mireya Munoz

### Bosnia-Herzegovina\*

Vjekoslava Sankovic Simcic

### Brazil

Rosina Coeli Alice Parchen

### Bulgaria

Hristina Staneva

Stefan Belishki

### Cambodia

Ros Borath

### Cameroon

Mohaman Haman

### Canada\*

Dinu Bumbaru

### Central African Republic

Gabriel Yabo Ogalama

### Chad

Roger Boriata Djasngar

### Chile

José de Nordenflycht

### China\*

Tong Mingkang

### Colombia

Alberto Corradine Angulo

### Costa Rica\*

William Monge

Eric Chaves Chaves

### Croatia\*

Milijenko Domijan

### Cuba\*

José Fornes

### Cyprus

Athina Papadopoulou

### Czech Republic\*

Josef Stulc

### Democratic Republic of Congo

Zola Kuandi

### Denmark

Per Kristian Madsen

Sven Felding

### Dominican Republic

Omar Rancier

### Ecuador

Andres Peñaherrera Mateus

### Egypt

Zahi Hawass

### Estonia\*

Juhan Kilumets

Robert Treufeldt

### Finland\*

Kirsti Kovanen

### France\*

Pierre-Antoine Gatier

### Georgia

Merab Bochoidze

### Germany\*

Michael Petzet

### Greece\*

Nikos Agriantonis

### Guatemala

Blanca Nino Norton

### Guinea

Sékou Kobani Kourouma

### Honduras

Gloria Lara Hasemann

### Hungary\*

Gergely Nagy

### Iceland

Hjorleifur Stefansson

### India

S. S. Biswas

### Indonesia\*\*

Frances B. Affandy

### Iran\*

Medhi Hodjat

### Iraq

Haythem Khorsid Said

### Ireland\*

Grellan D. Rourke

### Israel\*

Gideon Koren

### Italy\*

Maurizio di Stefano

### Ivory Coast\*

Dosso Sindou

### Jamaica

Garth Lampart

### Japan\*

Masaru Maeno

Yukio Nishimura

### Jordan

Fawwaz Khraysheh

### Kazakhstan\*

Natalia Turekulova

### Korean Republic\*

Sang Hae Lee

### Kyrgyzstan

Jumabek Tentiev

### Latvia

Janis Asaris

### Lebanon

Joseph Phares

### Lithuania\*

Giedre Miknevičienė

### Luxemburg\*

Alex Langini

### Macedonia\*

Zoran Pavlov

### Madagascar\*\*

Rafolo Andrianaivoarivony

### Malawi

Richa Wilson

### Malta\*

Ray Bondin

### Mauritania

Alle Ould Marouani

### Mauritius

Philippe La Hausse de Lalouvière

### Mexico

Javier Villalobos Jaramillo

Olga Orive Bellinger

### Moldova

Sergius Ciocanu

### Monaco

Maurice Gaziello

### Mongolia

Norov Urtnasan

### Morocco

Abderrahmane Chorfi

### Namibia

M. Botha

### Nepal

S. B. Sangachhe

### Netherlands\*\*

K. A. Ottenheim

### New Zealand

Kevin Jones

### Nicaragua

Maria Molina Carillo

### Niger

Ali Bida

### Nigeria

Joseph Eboreime

### Norway\*

Amund Sinding-Larsen

Gisle Jakhelln

### Pakistan

Fazal Dad Kakar

**Palestine**

Mouhannad Hadid

**Panama**

Manuel Choy  
Sebastian E. Paniza

**Paraguay**

Julio T. Decoud

**People's Democratic Republic of Korea**

Li Ui Ha

**Peru**

Ruth Shady Solis

**Philippines\*\***

Augusto Villalon

**Poland\***

Andrzej Tomaszewski  
Bogusław Szmygin

**Portugal**

José Aguiar

**Romania\*\***

Sergiu Nistor

**Russia**

Igor Makovetski

**Senegal [NEW]**

Hamady Bocoum

**Serbia**

Marko Omcikus

**Slovakia**

Viera Dvorakova

**Slovenia\***

Marko Stokin

**South Africa\***

Ntsizi November

**Spain\***

Maria Rosa Suarez-Inclan

Ducassi

**Sri Lanka**

P. B. Mandawala

Samitha Manawadu

**Sweden\***

Marie Klingspor Rotstein

Kerstin Westerlund

**Switzerland\***

Eduard Müller

**Tajikistan**

Rustam Mukimov

**Thailand\*\***

Arak Sanghitkul

Kreangkai Sumpachalit, 2008-

**Togo**

Angèle Dola Aguigah

**Tunisia**

Mustapha Khanoussi

**Turkey\***

Nur Akin

**Ukraine**

Mykola Yakovyna

**United Kingdom\***

Lord Donald Hankey

**United States of America\***

John Fowler

**Uruguay\***

Ana Maria Crespi Canessa

Ricardo Beheran

**Venezuela**

Ileana Vasquez

Francisco Perez Gallego

**Zambia**

Simon C. Musonda

**Zimbabwe**

Innocent Pikirayi

**Scientific Council Coordinators (2009 – 2011)**

Ms Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias (CIVVIH)

Ms Michal Firestone (CIVVIH, until October 2009)

Ms Pamela Jerome (ISCEAH)

Mr Steve Kelley (ISCARSAH)

**Members**

Chairs of the International Scientific Committees are members of the Scientific Council and the Advisory Committee: see list of Committees below, including attendance to the 2009 Scientific Council meeting (Valletta, Malta).



## **International Scientific Committees**

Whilst the ICOMOS statutes speak of Specialised International Committees, common usage over the past years has been the term International Scientific Committees.

By December 2009, ICOMOS counted 28 International Scientific Committees: see list below, which includes their Chairpersons.

- \* The Chairperson or a representative of the Committee attended the 2009 Advisory Committee meeting in Valletta (Malta)
- \*\* The Committee did not send a representative to the 2009 Advisory Committee meeting but sent apologies

### **Analysis and Restoration of Structures of Architectural Heritage (ISCARSAH)\***

Claudio Modena (Italy)

### **Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM)\***

Brian Egloff (Australia)

Willem J.H. Willems (The Netherlands), Co President

Douglas C. Comer (USA), Co President

### **Cultural Routes (CIIC)\***

Maria Rosa Suarez Inclan Ducassi (Spain)

### **Cultural Landscapes ICOMOS-IFLA (ISCCL)\***

Luigi Zangheri (Italy)

Monica Luengo (Spain)

### **Cultural Tourism (ICTC)\***

Graham Brooks (Australia)

### **Earthen Architectural Heritage (ISCEAH)\***

John Hurd (UK)

### **Economics of Conservation (ISCEC)\***

Luigi Fusco Girard (Italy)

### **Fortifications and Military Heritage (ICOFORT)\***

Lidia Klupsz (Poland)

Milagros Flores (USA)

### **Heritage Documentation (CIPA)\***

Cliff Ogleby (Australia)

### **Conservation/Restoration of Heritage Objects in Monuments and Sites\***

Nikos Agriantonis (Greece)

### **Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH)\***

Ray Bondin (Malta)

### **Interpretation and Presentation (ICIP)\***

Neil Silbermann (Belgium)

### **Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICICH)\***

Andrew Hall (South Africa)

### **Legal, Administrative and Financial Issues (ICLAFI)\***

James K. Reap (USA)

### **Pacific Islands (Pasifika)**

Rufino Mauricio (Federated States of Micronesia)

### **Polar Heritage (IPHC)\***

Susan Barr (Norway)

### **Risk Preparedness (ICORP)\***

Dinu Bumbaru (Canada) - Co President

Rohit Jigyasu, Co President

### **Rock Art (CAR)\*\***

Ulf Bertilsson (Sweden)

**Shared Built Heritage (ICSBH)\***

Peter van Dun (Netherlands)

**Stained Glass (joint Committee with Corpus Vitrearum)\***

Isabelle Pallot-Frossart (France)

**Stone (ISCS)\***

Stefan Simon (Germany)

**Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration\***

Andrzej Tomaszewski (Poland)

**Training (CIF)\***

Carlo Cesari (Italy)

**Twentieth Century Heritage (ISC20C)\***

Sheridan Burke (Australia), co-chair

Christiane Schmuckle-Mollard (France), co-chair

**Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH)\*\***

Robert Grenier (Canada)

Thijs J. Maarleveld (Denmark)

**Vernacular Architecture (CIAV)\***

Marc de Caraffe (Canada)

**Wall Paintings \*\***

Under re-organisation

**Wood (IIBC)\***

Gennaro Tampone (Italy)

## World Heritage Panel (composition decided in October 2009)

### Executive Committee members

Gustavo Araoz (President, ex officio),  
Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias  
Kristal Buckley  
Alfredo Conti  
John Hurd  
Kirsti Kovanen  
Gideon Koren  
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Yasuyoshi Okada  
Michael Petzet  
Hae Un Rii  
Angela Rojas  
Benedicte Selfslagh  
Boguslaw Smzygin  
Natalia Turekulova  
Rasool Vatandoust  
Guo Zhan

### Other experts

Stephen Hughes  
Nobuko Inaba  
Dawson Munjeri  
Weber Ndoro  
Pierre-Marie Tricault  
a representative of ICCIH  
a representative of IUCN

### ICOMOS Academy

Created in 2009 at the initiative of the President of ICOMOS, the Academy membership consists of former members of the ICOMOS Executive Committee who have elected to join.

Carmen Añón Feliú (Spain),  
Maria de las Nieves Arias-Incollá (Argentina)  
Ray Bondin (Malta)  
Dinu Bumbaru (Canada)  
Sheridan Burke (Australia)  
Henry Cleere (UK)  
Abdelaziz Daoulati (Tunisia)  
Natalya Dushkina (Russia)  
Margaretha Ehrstrom (Finland)  
Tamas Fejerdy (Hungary)  
Carlos Flores Marini (Mexico)  
Rosa Anna Genovese (Italy)  
Birgitta Hoberg (Sweden)  
Nobuo Ito (Japan)  
Jukka Jokilehto (Finland)  
Todor Kretev (Bulgaria)  
François LeBlanc (Canada)

Jean-Louis Luxen (Belgium)  
Dawson Munjeri (Zimbabwe)  
Axel Mykleby (Norway)  
Yukio Nishimura (Japan)  
Carlos Pernaut (Argentina)  
Michael Petzet (Germany)  
Esteban Prieto (Dominican Republic)  
James Reap (USA)  
Isabel Rigol (Cuba),  
Christiane Schmuckle-Mollard (France)  
Suzanna Sampaio (Brazil)  
Giora Solar (Israel)  
Herb Stovel (Canada)  
Lazar Sumanov (FYR of Macedonia)  
Andrzej Tomaszewski (Poland)  
Werner von Trutzschler (Germany)  
Augusto Villalón (Philippines)

## **International Secretariat**

### **Director**

Ms Gaia Jungeblodt

### **Assistant to the Director**

Ms Bernadette Bertel-Rault

### **Project Assistants**

Mr Volker Zimmermann

Ms Brittany Groot, Intern

### **Accounts and membership**

Mr Henri Verrier

## **UNESCO-ICOMOS Documentation Centre**

Mr José Garcia, Documentalist

Ms Neila Rahma, Intern

Ms Maria Angeles Ruiz Monteagudo, Intern

Ms Cécilia Rantica, Intern

Ms Alexandra Gil Taboas, Intern

Ms Nicole Josianne Ramiandrasoa, Intern

### **Clerical support**

Mr Antonio Medina

## **World Heritage Unit**

Ms Regina Durighello, Programme Director

Ms Gwenaëlle Bourdin, Programme Specialist

Ms Maren Mohr, Assistant Programme Specialist (until June 2009)

Ms Alia Corm, Assistant Programme Specialist

Ms Trina Ramos, Assistant Programme Specialist (from March 2009)

Ms Anne Vrignaud, Copy Editor

Mr Antonio Felipe Gamonal Medina, Intern

## **World Heritage Advisers**

2009 Nominations

Mr Philippe Bragard

Mr Michel Cotte

Ms Susan Denyer

Ms Lynne di Stefano

2009 State of Conservation reports

Mrs Susan Balderstone

Mrs Carolina Castellanos

Mrs Susan Denyer

Mr Ingvar Maxwell

Mr Herb Stovel

The International Secretariat further benefitted of the support of:

Mr Gordon Dewis, member of ICOMOS Canada, as Volunteer Systems Administrator for the ICOMOS domain.

Ms Anne Lewis-Loubignac advising on matters related to UNESCO

### Partners

#### International Intergovernmental Organisations

**UNESCO** - United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Paris, France)

ICOMOS maintains *formal associate relations* with UNESCO, involving sustained cooperation both upstream and downstream from the Organisation's programming and priorities, and in particular with:

- Culture Sector: Under the UNESCO-ICOMOS Framework Agreement, ICOMOS runs the UNESCO-ICOMOS Documentation Centre. It also provides expert advice and support in the context of the *2001 Convention on the protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage* and supports activities in other areas such as the *1954 Hague Convention for the protection of cultural property in the event of armed conflict* and its two protocols. In 2008, ICOMOS was recommended for accreditation among the NGOs who may be invited by the Intergovernmental Committee to provide advisory services in the framework of the *2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage*.
- World Heritage Committee and World Heritage Centre: ICOMOS is officially recognised as an advisory body to the World Heritage Committee. ICOMOS evaluates nominations submitted by the States Parties for inclusion on the World Heritage List, and is also involved in thematic studies and in monitoring the state of conservation and management of listed World Heritage cultural properties.

ICOMOS' extensive cooperation and participation at UNESCO meetings for all the above Conventions in 2009 is presented throughout this Annual Report.

**ICCROM** - The International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (Rome, Italy)

ICCROM is an intergovernmental organisation dedicated to the conservation of cultural heritage. It exists to serve the international community as represented by its more than 125 Member States and aims at improving the quality of conservation practice as well as raising awareness about the importance of preserving cultural heritage. ICOMOS is a non-voting ex-officio member of the ICCROM Council and the ICOMOS Statutes under Article 5 formally stipulate cooperation between the two organisations. ICCROM also being an advisory body to the World Heritage Committee, the two organisations cooperate in the context of the World Heritage Convention. In 2009, ICCROM cooperated with several ICOMOS Committees, including Italy, and the International Scientific Committees on Wood, Heritage Documentation, Mural Paintings, and Training – whose Bureau meeting it hosted in October. Mr Joe King represented ICCROM at the 2009 ICOMOS Advisory Committee meeting in Malta and the ICOMOS Secretary General attended the ICCROM Council meetings and General Assembly in November.

**Council of Europe** (Strasbourg, France)

The Council of Europe is a regional organisation grouping 47 Member States. It has developed numerous standard setting instruments in the field of cultural heritage including 4 Conventions, 24 Recommendations, numerous programmes and activities including the European Heritage Days. ICOMOS has observer status at its Steering Committee for Cultural Heritage and Landscapes (CDPATEP). In 2009, ICOMOS was represented at this meeting, which took place from 12-13 May by Mr Grellan Rourke, President of ICOMOS Ireland. He expressed to the Council of Europe the wish of ICOMOS for closer ties and willingness to assist in a positive way, particularly in its Technical Assistance Programme and in relation to Cultural Routes.

ICOMOS was also represented by Ms Susan Barr, President of its International Scientific Committee on Polar Heritage, at a meeting on Climate Change organised by the Council of Europe from 14-15 May in Ravello (Italy); and by Ms Eva Roels of the International Scientific Committee on Interpretation and Presentation (ICIP) at the Second European Heritage Forum "Heritage, Creativity and Innovation" on 23 September in Ljubljana, Slovenia. ICOMOS actively supports the promotion of the Council of Europe's European Landscape Convention – and has participated in the workshops designed to promote it – most recently in Malmö, Sweden – through its ICOMOS-IFLA Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes.

## International Non-Governmental Organisations

### The Convergence Initiative - LAMMS

The International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA), together with the International Council on Archives (ICA), the International Council of Museums (ICOM), the Co-ordinating Council of Audiovisual Archives Associations (CCAAA) and ICOMOS have a longstanding cooperation, notably through the International Committee for the Blue Shield. In 2008, they agreed to intensify possibilities of cooperation between their organisations in those areas where libraries, archives and museums have mutual interests and activities and to advance the convergence agenda.

Areas explored to intensify international cross-sectoral cooperation apart from the Blue Shield are: advocating on copyright and intellectual property rights issues; preservation and collection security and digitisation (including the aspects of digital continuity, the development of global digital libraries and standards) and information literacy. Improving knowledge dissemination and knowledge sharing, especially in the framework of WIPO (the World Intellectual Property Organization) and UNESCO are considered important mutual goals.

The Secretariat has been hosted at IFLA Headquarters in The Hague, the Netherlands. The International NGO Working Group on Convergence is strongly supported by several stakeholders, such as the Conference of Directors of National Libraries (CDNL) and the International Council for Scientific and Technical Information (ICSTI).

In 2009, the LAMMS group met twice in April and December – the April meeting being hosted at the ICOMOS Secretariat.

### ICBS - The International Committee of the Blue Shield

The ICBS was set up as a cooperation mechanism to work to protect the world's cultural heritage threatened by wars and natural disasters. The ICBS is recognised in the Second Protocol to the 1954 Hague Convention on the protection of cultural property in the event of armed conflict. ICOMOS is one of the 5 non-governmental organisations composing ICBS, the others being:

- ICA - The International Council on Archives
- ICOM - The International Council of Museums
- IFLA - The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions
- CCAAA - Co-ordinating Council of Audiovisual Archives Associations

In November 2008, the Association of National Committees of the Blue Shield (ANCBS) was created.

See p. 38 for more information on the Blue Shield

### ICA – the International Council on Archives (Paris, France)

ICA is the professional organisation for the world archival community. A non-governmental organisation, it promotes the management and use of records and archives and the preservation of the archival heritage of humanity around the world. Its global network of more than 1,400 institutional members in 190 countries brings together national archive administrations, professional associations of archivists, regional and local archives and archives of other organisations. It also has over 200 archivists and records managers as individual members.

ICA and ICOMOS work together in the context of the International Committee of the Blue Shield (ICBS) and the LAMMS convergence initiative.

### ICOM – The International Council of Museums (Paris, France)

ICOM is the international non-governmental organisation of museums and museum professionals, with 24,000 members in 150 countries, organised into 117 National Committees, and 30 International Committees. ICOM observers attend the ICOMOS Executive and Advisory Committee, and vice-versa. ICOMOS and ICOM also collaborate in the Blue Shield (ICBS) and the LAMMS Convergence initiative. The Chair of the ICOM Advisory Committee, Mr Knut Wik attended the 2009 ICOMOS Advisory Committee in Malta. This year, ICOMOS and ICOM Committees in Finland, Greece, Germany, Switzerland and Austria cooperated in joint activities.

### IFLA - The International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (The Hague, the Netherlands)

IFLA is the leading international non-governmental organisation representing the interests of library and information services and their users. With 1600 Members in approximately 150 countries, it is the global voice of the library and information profession.

IFLA and ICOMOS work together in the context of the International Committee of the Blue Shield (ICBS) and the LAMMS convergence initiative. In 2009, Mrs Nancy Gwinn, Director of the Smithsonian Libraries and Chair of the IFLA Professional Committee, participated at the Scientific Symposium held on the occasion of the ICOMOS Advisory Committee to present the LAMMS initiative and ICOMOS attended the 75<sup>th</sup> General Conference and Assembly of IFLA in August.

**DOCOMOMO** – The International working party for documentation and conservation of buildings, sites and neighbourhoods of the modern movement

With 52 working parties and more than 2000 members, DOCOMOMO acts as a watchdog when important modern movement buildings are under threat, provides a platform for the exchange of ideas relating to conservation technology, history and education and works to elicit responsibility towards this recent architectural inheritance. DOCOMOMO was represented at the 2009 Advisory Committee meeting in Malta, by Mr Jevon Vella of DOCOMOMO Malta, and the International Secretariat welcomed the new DOCOMOMO President, Ms Anna Tostoes in December. In 2009, DOCOMOMO participated in activities of ICOMOS Australia, ICOMOS Sweden and the International Scientific Committee on 20<sup>th</sup> Century Heritage, notably the joint Heritage Alert on the Apslund library in Stockholm.

**IFLA** – The International Federation of Landscape Architects

IFLA represents the landscape architectural profession globally, providing leadership and networks supporting the development of the profession and its effective participation in the realisation of attractive and sustainable environments. Since 1970, ICOMOS and IFLA have a joint International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes (formerly Historic Gardens). Since 2008, taking into account the growing interest for the world's diverse Landscape Heritage and the overlap of members in both organizations, ICOMOS and IFLA have expanded their partnership by signing a cooperative agreement, which updates the previous agreement. Under this agreement, both organisations agree to expand their relationship, invite and acknowledge each other's General Assemblies and World Congresses, provide representatives for each others' relevant committees and work programmes, and provide enhanced service to support their members' professional needs through joint development, commitment and action. In 2009, ICOMOS attended the 46th World Congress of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA), Green Infrastructure High Performance Landscapes, from 21-23 October, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and IFLA representative, Mr Pierre Micallef attended the 2009 ICOMOS Advisory Committee.

**ISPRS** - The International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing

ISPRS is a non-governmental organization devoted to the development of international cooperation for the advancement of photogrammetry and remote sensing and their applications. It has 88 National member organisations, 10 Associate member societies and 12 Regional member associations. In 1968, the ICOMOS International Committee for Documentation of Cultural Heritage (CIPA) was established in collaboration with ISPRS. ISPRS and ICOMOS created CIPA because they both believe that a monument can be restored and protected only when it has been fully measured and documented and when its development has been documented again and again, also with respect to its environment, and stored in proper heritage information and management systems.

**IUCN** - the International Union for Conservation of Nature (Gland, Switzerland)

IUCN is the world's oldest and largest global environmental network, with more than 1,000 government and NGO member organisations, and some 10,000 volunteer scientists in more than 160 countries. It helps the world find pragmatic solutions to our most pressing environment and development challenges. IUCN also being an advisory body to the World Heritage Committee, the two organisations cooperate in the context of the World Heritage Convention, in particular in what concerns mixed cultural-natural properties.

**TICCIH** – The International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage

TICCIH is the world organisation for industrial heritage, promoting preservation, conservation, investigation, documentation, research and interpretation of industrial heritage. TICCIH acts as consultative body to ICOMOS in relation to industrial heritage in the context of the World Heritage Convention. In 2009, ICOMOS and TICCIH continued work on their planned Joint Principles for the Conservation of Industrial Heritage Sites, Structures and Areas and Mr Miles Oglethorpe, TICCIH board members, attended and addressed the Advisory Committee meeting in Malta. TICCIH regularly cooperates with ICOMOS Committees, and in 2009 these included Committees in Canada, Greece, Brazil, Norway, the Cultural Routes International Scientific Committee, the Polar Heritage Committee and the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Heritage Committee.

**UIA** – The International Union of Architects (Paris, France)

UIA unites the architects of the world and federates their national organisations. A non-governmental organisation, it encompasses the key professional organisations of architects in 124 countries and territories, and represents, through these organisations, more than 1,300,000 architects worldwide. UIA and ICOMOS signed a cooperation agreement in 2007. UIA particularly collaborates with the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on 20<sup>th</sup> Century Heritage and the President of UIA, Mrs Louise Cox, attended and addressed the 2009 Advisory Committee meeting in Malta.

## **National Public Authorities**

### **Ministère de la Culture et de la Communication (Ministry of Culture and Communication)** (France)

Continuing the commitment made in 1965 by André Malraux, former Minister of Culture to welcome ICOMOS in France, the Ministry of Culture financially supports the activities of the ICOMOS International Secretariat through an annual subvention. In 2009, ICOMOS continued its participation in discussions organised by the Ministry with regards to the future shape and programme of the new premises in Charenton, which ICOMOS will share with the Médiathèque de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine, and other heritage organisations.

### **City of Paris** (France)

Paris continues its longstanding support to ICOMOS by a significant financial contribution to the rental costs for the premises of the International Secretariat.

### **Ministry of Education, Science and Culture** (Austria)

Austria generously provides ICOMOS with an annual voluntary financial contribution towards the running of its UNESCO – ICOMOS Documentation Centre.

### **The Holy See**

ICOMOS has an official cooperation agreement since 1993 with the Holy See, whose official representatives attend the major ICOMOS meetings.

## **Other Organisations**

### **Conservation Information Network (CIN)**

The Conservation Information Network (CIN) is the product of international collaboration. It is intended to facilitate the retrieval and exchange of information concerning conservation and restoration of cultural property. The Bibliographic Database of the Conservation Information Network (BCIN) provides access to over 200,000 bibliographic citations for conservation literature. The partners of the network are: The Getty Conservation Institute, ICCROM, Canadian Conservation Institute, Netherlands Institute for Cultural Heritage, ICOM, Libraries and Archives of Canada, Smithsonian Museum Conservation Institute and ICOMOS. The ICOMOS Documentation Centre contributes with this project by sending to BCIN all the bibliographic records of the ICOMOS Database.

### **Fondation du Patrimoine** (France)

The Fondation du Patrimoine is a private independent non-profit organisation whose mission is to safeguard and enhance endangered heritage properties which do not benefit from state protection, the "local heritage" which is not listed or inventoried. The Fondation du Patrimoine provided financial support for developing the new ICOMOS Membership Expertise Database.



### Publications and Documentation

#### Monuments and Sites series



**Monuments and Sites, Vol. XIX : *The giant Buddhas of Bamiyan - Safeguarding the remains***

Edited by Michael Petzet. Berlin, ICOMOS-Hendrik Bäßler, 2009. 280 p.  
ISBN: 978-3-930388-55-4

*A first report on the on-going work accomplished by the ICOMOS team led by Honorary President Michael Petzet, in collaboration with the Afghan authorities, with international support from Germany and Japan, and under the aegis of UNESCO, since 2002 in preventing further decay of the Bamiyan Buddhas blown up by the Taliban in March 2001. The report presents the practical and technical solutions that were found to secure the existing remains, consolidate the rock structure and the traces of the Buddha statues still visible at the back of the niches. Conservation options are discussed in the light of ICOMOS doctrine and realities on the ground and the development of the project is illustrated by reports of successive missions and Expert Working Group meetings, as well as accounts on works carried out by the many specialists involved.*



**Monuments and Sites, Vol. XVIII: *Cultural heritage of astronomical observatories: From classical astronomy to modern astrophysics***

Edited by Prof. Gudrun Wolfschmidt. Berlin, ICOMOS-Hendrik Bäßler-Verlag, 2009. 378 p. ISBN: 978-3-930388-53-0

Proceedings of the International Symposium organised by ICOMOS Germany from 14 – 17 October 2008 in Hamburg – as a contribution to the « Astronomy and World Heritage » initiative developed by UNESCO and the International Year of Astronomy proclaimed for 2009 by the UN. Prepared and chaired by Prof. Gudrun Wolfschmidt, Institute for History of Science of Hamburg University, the symposium aimed at discussing the relevance of modern observatories for the cultural heritage of mankind. Specialists from over 20 countries (including Germany, Russia, France, Venezuela, Portugal, Turkey, Brazil, Austria, Hungary, Romania, UK, Estonia, Argentina, Algeria, South Africa, USA, Italy, Czech Republic, Sweden, India and Norway) present the architectural history and features of observatories, valuable instruments, archive material as well as scientific achievements, inventions and discoveries these observatories witnessed.

#### Documentation Centre Bibliographies

In 2009, the Documentation Centre prepared the following new **thematic bibliographies**:

- Earthen Architectural Heritage

The following bibliographies were also updated and are available to consult and download on the website:

- Modern Heritage Properties (19th and 20th Centuries) on the World Heritage List
- Industrial and Technical Heritage in the World Heritage List
- World Heritage Rock Art Sites
- World Heritage Cultural Landscapes
- World Heritage Cultural Landscapes
- World Heritage Urban Sites
- World Heritage in Africa
- World Heritage in Asia and Pacific

- Patrimonio Mundial en América Latina y Caribe
- Industrial and technical heritage
- Conservation of stone

#### Publications made available on-line

- *Jardins et sites historiques*. ICOMOS-IFLA. Madrid: ICOMOS, 1993. 377 p. ISBN : 84-87111-38-6 (Journal Scientifique, n° 1)
- *Landscape heritage. International Symposium ICOMOS-IFLA 1997*, Prague, Lednice-Valtice, Cesky Krumlov, September 7-12, 1997. Prague: ICOMOS-IFLA, 1997. 169 p.
- *Symposium International sur les Mesurages des Monuments*, Brno, Juin 1971. La Société Tchèque Scientifique-technique, Le Comité tchèque de géodésie et cartographie et le Comité International de Photogrammétrie Architecturale (CIPA), Brno, 1971. 155 p.
- *Rakennettu aika - ICOMOSIN Suomen Osasto 25 Vuotta = Built time - ICOMOS Finnish National Committee 25th Anniversary*. ICOMOS Finland, 1993. 144 p. [Texts in Finnish with abstracts in English]
- *A study report on doctrinal texts of cultural heritage conservation*. Tokyo: Japan ICOMOS, 1999. 151 p. [Texts in Japanese and English]
- *Information as an instrument for protection against war damages to the cultural heritage. Report from a Seminar, June 1984*. ICOMOS Sweden, The Central Board of National Antiquities and the Swedish National Commission for UNESCO. Stockholm: UNESCO, 1994. 119 p.

### National Committee Publications

#### ICOMOS Argentina

- *Jornadas: El uso turístico del patrimonio como recurso para el desarrollo local. La Plata, 23 y 24 de noviembre 2009*. (Heritage Tourism as a Resource for Local Development) [CD-ROM]. Organizado por la Facultad de ciencias Económicas, la Comisión de Investigaciones Científicas, el Laboratorio de Investigaciones del Territorio y el Ambiente e ICOMOS Argentina. La Plata: Facultad de Ciencias Económicas, 2009. ISBN 978-987-1227-05-1
- *Jornadas Nacionales: Paisajes históricos urbanos: Metodología de gestión del patrimonio. 22 al 24 de abril 2009*. (Historic urban landscapes – heritage management methodology) [CD-ROM]. Organizado por IDIS (Instituto de Teoría, Historia y Crítica del Diseño) de la Facultad de Arquitectura, Urbanismo y Diseño, Universidad Nacional de San Juan e ICOMOS Argentina (Consejo Internacional de Monumentos y Sitios). San Juan: Facultad de Arquitectura, Urbanismo y Diseño, 2009. ISBN 978-950605572-1

#### ICOMOS Australia

- *Australia ICOMOS Annual Report 2008-2009*. Burwood: Australia ICOMOS, 2009. 60 p.
- *Historic Environment Vol. 21, n° 1, Global climate change and cultural heritage*. 2009, Australia ICOMOS.
- *Historic Environment Vol. 21, n° 2, Thinking rail: lessons from the past, the way of the future*. 2009, Australia ICOMOS
- *Historic Environment Vol. 21, n° 3, Heritage and development*. 2009, Australia ICOMOS
- *Historic Environment Vol. 22, n° 1, Extreme Heritage*. 2009, Australia ICOMOS
- *Historic Environment Vol. 22, n° 2, Port Cities*. 2009, Australia ICOMOS
- *Historic Environment Vol. 22, n° 3 Intangible Heritage*. 2009, Australia ICOMOS

#### ICOMOS Belgium

- *Bulletin de liaison ICOMOS, n° 4, African Heritage*. ICOMOS Belgium
- *Bulletin de liaison ICOMOS, n° 5, ICOMOS International and other National Committees*. ICOMOS Belgium
- *Bulletin de liaison ICOMOS, n° 6-37, Heritage in the Meuse Valley and report on a visit organised in collaboration with ICOMOS France*. ICOMOS Belgium

#### ICOMOS Canada

- *Spirit of place: Between tangible and intangible heritage = L'esprit du lieu: entre le patrimoine matériel et immatériel*. Edited by Laurier Turgeon. Québec: Les Presses de l'Université Laval, 2009. 436 p. (Patrimoine en mouvement). ISBN: 978-2-7637-8994-1

A selection of papers delivered at the Scientific Symposium of the 16th ICOMOS General Assembly, Québec City, Canada (October 2008)

#### ICOMOS China published three Journals on special themes:

- Report on the 16th General Assembly of ICOMOS
- Proceedings of the seminar on the scientific conservation of cultural routes
- Proceedings of the Hangzhou Forum on the conservation of large-scale archaeological sites China

**ICOMOS Croatia:** Publications issued with support of the Committee

- Konavle 2004. *Bilten međunarodnih ljetnih radionica arhitekture Vol. 6* (Bulletin of International Summer architecture workshops)
- *Katalog austrougarskih Fortifikacija, Tvrđava Pula-Fort Verudela, svezak 1* (Catalogue of Austro-Hungarian Fortifications Vol.1), Fort Verudela
- *Katalog austrougarskih Fortifikacija, Tvrđava Pula-Grupa Barbariga, svezak 2* (Catalogue of Austro-Hungarian Fortifications Vol. 2, Barbariga Group)

### ICOMOS Cuba

- *La casa habanera* (The Havana House), Ed. Bolona, 2007 (distributed in 2009), ICOMOS Cuba
- *Retos de la conservación del patrimonio monumental de América Latina y el Caribe* (Challenges of monumental heritage conservation in Latin America and the Caribbean), *Revolución y Cultura* n° 2, 2009, La Habana, Cuba, by Isabel Rigol, ICOMOS Cuba
- *Los muchos centros de La Habana* (The many centres of Havana), *Revista bimestre cubana. Época 3 No.31*, by Mario Coyula Cowley, ICOMOS Cuba
- *El Barrio de Colon en Centro Habana* (The Colon neighbourhood in the centre of Havana), octubre de 2009, by Gerogina Rey, ICOMOS Cuba

**ICOMOS Czech Republic:** Published under the aegis of the Committee

- *Světové kulturní a přírodní památky* (The World Cultural and Natural Heritage Listed by UNESCO) by Věra Kučová, Praha, 2009, 200 p., 142 illustrations.

**ICOMOS Ecuador:** Committee members participated in the following publications

- *Sólo cenizas hallarás. Ensayos sobre el patrimonio arquitectónico de Cuenca su region* (You will find only ashes. Essays on the architectural heritage of Cuenca and its region) by Oswaldo Páez Barrera. Editorial Puño y Letra, Cuenca. 116 p. ISBN: 978-9978-14-144-1. Published with the support of the University of Cuenca.
- *Cochasqui el agua del frente de la mitad* by Ortiz Arciniegas, Lenin. Fondo Editorial Letras, Quito 2009. 193p+ annexes. ISBN: 978-9942-02-463-3. About the life of the indigenous people of Cochasqui, their mode of production, social organization and culture; and knowledge gathered of monumental building systems implemented in a portion of the equatorial belt of the Andes, between 900 and 1550 AD.
- *El Quito Pre-hispánico* (Pre-hispanic Quito) by Hugo Burgos, Inés del Pino, Hólger Jara, Alfredo Lozano, Andrés Peñaherrera, Juan Fernando Pérez, Jorge Salvador, Lara Jorge Trujillo.

### ICOMOS Finland:

- *Murole-Ruovesi Ympäristöelokuu*. Edited by Markku Mattila. Helsinki: Suomen ICOMOS, 2008. 78 p. (ICOMOS Suomen Osaston Jäsentiedote; 3-4, 2008) ISBN: 978-951-96602-7-1. ISSN: 1237-4148

### ICOMOS France

- *Structures en bois dans le patrimoine bâti. Actes des journées techniques internationales Bois, Metz, 29-31 mai 2008*. (Timber structures in the built heritage – Proceedings of the International Technical Days on Wood Conservation) Paris: ICOMOS France, 2009. 132 p. (Les Cahiers d'ICOMOS France, 23). ISSN: 0297-3189
- *Petit traité des Grands Sites: Réfléchir et agir sur les hauts lieux de notre patrimoine*. (Little treatise on major sites. Reflecting and intervening at major heritage sites). Coordinated by Jean-Pierre Thibault. Arles: Actes Sud / ICOMOS France, 2009. 221 p. ISBN: 978-2-7427-8062-4
- *Préservation du patrimoine et économies d'énergie. Actes du séminaire européen, Paris, 17 et 18 novembre 2008*. (Heritage preservation and energy savings. Proceedings of the European seminar, Paris, 17 and 18 November 2008). Paris: ICOMOS France, 2009. 76 p. (Les Cahiers d'ICOMOS France n° 24). ISSN:0297-3189
- *Paysages urbains historiques: une nouvelle recommandation de l'UNESCO à l'appui de la Convention du patrimoine mondial*. (Historic Urban Landscapes: A new UNESCO recommendation in support of the World Heritage Convention). Electronic publication.

**ICOMOS Georgia** translated and published the *Quebec Declaration on the Preservation of the Spirit of Place* (adopted at Quebec, Canada, 2008) into Georgian in order to introduce this new ICOMOS Declaration to a broad professional audience.

### ICOMOS Germany

- Journals of the German National Committee of ICOMOS, Vol. XLV: Schädler-Saub, Ursula (ed.); *Weltkulturerbe Deutschland: Präventive Konservierung und Erhaltungsperspektiven. Internationale Fachtagung des Deutschen Nationalkomitees von ICOMOS, der HAWK Hildesheim/Holzminden/Göttingen und der Diözese Hildesheim in Zusammenarbeit mit der Evangelisch-lutherischen Landeskirche Hannovers Hildesheim, 23.-25. November 2006*. (World Heritage in Germany: preventive conservation and conservation perspectives). Regensburg: Verlag Schnell & Steiner GmbH, 2008. 184 p. (ICOMOS - Hefte des Deutschen Nationalkomitees; XLV). ISBN 978-3-7954-2137-3
- Journals of the German National Committee of ICOMOS, Vol. XLVII: *Erwin Emmerling* (ed.): *Toccare – Non Toccare*. (To touch or not to touch). Munich 2009 (ICOMOS – Hefte des Deutschen Nationalkomitees XLVII). ISBN 978-3-935643-46-7

**ICOMOS Hungary** published six newsletters *ICOMOS Híradó* [ICOMOS News], which can be consulted (in Hungarian language) at [www.icomos.hu](http://www.icomos.hu).

#### **ICOMOS Iran**

- *Hefâzat-e sâzehâ-ye gelin*. Translation of John Warren's *Conservation of Earth Structures* into Persian. Tehran, February 2009, ICOMOS Iran.
- DVDs of public lectures given by ICOMOS members on restoration, conservation and other related topics
- Two posters on "Heritage and Science" on the occasion of the International Monuments Day

#### **ICOMOS Ireland**

- *Sustaining the built environment: Review of the state of conservation education and training in Ireland*. ICOMOS Ireland, Education & Training Sub-Committee. Dublin: ICOMOS Ireland, 2009. 22 p.
- *Monitoring impacts of climate change on built heritage*. Draft report commissioned by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. ICOMOS Ireland Climate Change Sub-Committee, 2009.

**ICOMOS Italy:** Proceedings of the Conference *Patrimonio Culturale: Conservazione, Innovazione, Sviluppo* (Cultural heritage: Conservation, Innovation, Development), Venice, Palazzo Zorzi, 20-21 November 2009. ICOMOS Italy.

**ICOMOS Japan:** *Japan ICOMOS / Information* (Vol. 7, n°9, March 2009; Vol. 7, n°10, May 2009; Vol. 7, n°11, September 2009; 7-12 December 2009). Tokyo: ICOMOS Japan, 2009.

**ICOMOS Kazakhstan** translated the *ICOMOS Charter on Cultural Routes* into Russian.

#### **ICOMOS Korea**

- *ICOMOS Korea - 10th Anniversary (1999-2009) - [Presentations]*. Seoul: ICOMOS Korea, 2009. 100 p. [Texts in Korean]
- *ICOMOS Korea - 10th Anniversary (1999-2009) - [Report]*. Seoul: ICOMOS Korea, 2009. 163 p. [Texts in Korean]
- *ICOMOS Korea Newsletter 9-1, 1999-2009: A decade of ICOMOS-Korea* [Texts in Korean]
- *ICOMOS Korea Newsletter 9-2, Preparatory study of cultural heritage sites in the Republic of Korea related to the Silk Road* [Texts in Korean]

**ICOMOS Mexico** published five electronic newsletters with news on the Committee's activities and from other related associations, including the conclusions of the Zacatecas Symposium held on 26-29 November.

#### **ICOMOS Norway**

- *World Heritage and human rights: conflicts or cooperation?*. Seminar on the UNESCO 1972 World Heritage Convention. February 6th 2008, Oslo. Edited by Amund Sinding-Larsen. Oslo: ICOMOS Norway, 2009. 28 p.
- *ICOMOS Montreal Plan on 20th Century Heritage. Survey/Questionnaire to National and International Scientific Committees*. Eirik T. Boe, et al. Oslo: ICOMOS Norway, [2009]. 38 p.

#### **ICOMOS Peru**

- ICOMOS Perú Boletín, n° 6, Diciembre 2008. *Conservación del patrimonio cultural - II Parte*. 58 p.
- *ICOMOS Perú Boletín, N° 7, December 2009*. La Molina, Peru: Comité Peruano del Consejo Internacional de Monumentos y Sitios, 2009. 52 p. *The conservation and protection of the cultural heritage of Peru* with articles:
  - "45 years of the Venice Charter" by Honorary Member architect Victor Pimentel Gurmendi
  - "Intervention in built heritage in seismic areas and conservation charters", Engineer Julio Vargas Neumann, et. al.
  - "The National Cultural Heritage Property Register in Peru", Solicitor Fabricio Valencia Gibaja

#### **ICOMOS Poland:**

- *Adaptacja obiektów zabytkowych do współczesnych funkcji*. (The adaptation of historical objects for modern function). ICOMOS Poland.
- *Zamki, grody, ruiny – waloryzacja i ochrona* (Castles, cities, ruins – evaluation and protection). ICOMOS Poland.
- *Modernizm w Europie, modernizm w Gdyni*. (Modernism in Europe, modernism in Gdynia). ICOMOS Poland
- *Biuletyn Informacyjny PKN ICOMOS*. (The ICOMOS Poland newsletter) – n° 1/2009 to 5/2009 (electronic version)

**ICOMOS Russia** published:

- Four issues of its periodical newsletter
- An Information booklet on *Conservation and Restoration*
- *Waterproofing of cultural monuments*. 20 p.

**ICOMOS Switzerland** published three newsletters during 2009.

**ICOMOS Thailand** published three newsletters on special themes, including on the ICOMOS Thailand Association and the draft *Charter on Management of Cultural Heritage in Thailand*.

**ICOMOS UK** published two newsletters on special themes, including the inscription of the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Canal to the World Heritage List, the deletion of Dresden from the World Heritage List, as well as the news from European and other international meetings.

**ICOMOS US** re-inaugurated its monthly electronic member's newsletter beginning October. Four issues were distributed in 2009.

## International Scientific Committee Publications

### **Cultural Landscapes ICOMOS-IFLA (ISCLL):**

*Newsletter*. Three issues in 2009. Jankilevich, Carlos (ed.) [contributions from Committee members, in three versions: English, French and Spanish].

**Earthen Architecture (ISCEAH):** *Expert Workshop on the Study and Conservation of Earthen Architecture and its contribution to sustainable development in the Mediterranean Region: Final Report. Edited by Maddalena Achenza, Claudia Cancino, Mariana Correia, Amila Ferron and Hubert Guillaud*. Participation of several ISCEAH members. Available at: [www.getty.edu/conservation/field\\_projects/earthen/mediterra\\_finalreport.pdf](http://www.getty.edu/conservation/field_projects/earthen/mediterra_finalreport.pdf)

**Economics of Conservation (ISCEC):** Publications to which members contributed articles:

- *BDC - Bollettino del Dipartimento di Conservazione dei Beni Architettonici ed Ambientali*, n° 9, ISSN 1121-2918
  - "Sustainable urban development" by Nijkamp P.
  - "Towards a creative city: the role of architecture and planning" by Fusco Girard L.
  - "Strategies for building the creative city" by Rypkema D.
- *Cultural tourism and sustainable local development* by Fusco Girard L., Nijkamp P. Ashgate, Farnham. March 2009. 338 p., ISBN 978-0-7546-7391-0
  - "Narrow escapes: Pathways to sustainable local cultural tourism" by Fusco Girard L., Nijkamp P.
  - "Tourism, heritage and cultural sustainability - three golden rules" by Throsby D.
  - "Valuing urban cultural heritage" by Nijkamp P.
  - "Cultural heritage, local resources and sustainable tourism: Towards an operational framework for policy and planning" by Ost C.
  - "Tourism, cultural heritage and strategic evaluations: Towards integrated approaches" by Fusco Girard L.
  - "Culture, tourism and the locality: Ways forward" by Fusco Girard L., Nijkamp P.

### **Heritage Documentation (CIPA):**

- *Proceedings of the XXII CIPA Symposium, Kyoto, Japan, 11-15 October 2009*. Online at: <http://cipa.icomos.org/KYOTO.html>
- *Computer und Archäologie (Computers and Archaeology), workshop 13*, Vienna, 3-5 November 2008. In *Proceedings of the 12th International Congress Kulturelles Erbe und Neue Technologien (Cultural Heritage and New Technologies)*. W. Borner, (ed.) 2009, Wien, Phoibos Verlag. CD-ROM. ISBN: 978-3-85161-016-1
- *Documentation movie*. Video editing: GIFLE. Valencia, June 2009. Online at: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=ByxYdCibxMI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ByxYdCibxMI)

**Interpretation and Presentation (ICIP)** contributed:

"Process Not Product: The ICOMOS Ename Charter (2008) and the Practice of Heritage Stewardship" by Neil Silberman, President of ICIP in *CRM Journal 6:1 (Summer 2009)*

### **Legal, Administrative and Financial issues (ICLAFI):**

- *ICLAFI E-Journal*. 2009, n° 1. Lima: ICLAFI, 2009. ISSN: 2074-1456. Online at <http://www.icomos-iclafl.org/pagina%20principal/E-Journal.pdf>
- *Annual meeting of ICLAFI, Helsinki, Finland, 15-17 May 2008: Criteria for the Conservation of built heritage*. Helsinki: Edita, 2009. 63 p.

**Rock Art (CAR):** *INORA: International Newsletter on Rock Art*, n° 53, 54, 55, 2009. Foix: CAR-ICOMOS, 2009.

**Stone (ISCS):** Summer/Fall 2009 Newsletter

**Vernacular Architecture (CIAV):** *Newsletter*. Issues of January, April, June, August, October 2009. Online at: <http://ciav.icomos.org/index.php/newsletters>

**Wood (IIWC):** The *Charter on Historic Timber Structures* was translated into Norwegian and Swedish. Online at <http://www.icomos.org/iiwc/>

## **Committee Web Pages**

The following ICOMOS Committees launched new web sites in 2009:

- ICOMOS Argentina: [www.icomosargentina.com.ar/](http://www.icomosargentina.com.ar/)
- ICOMOS France: <http://france.icomos.org/fr/index.htm>
- ICOMOS Macedonia: [www.icomos.org.mk/](http://www.icomos.org.mk/)
- ICOMOS Pakistan: [www.neduet.edu.pk/arch\\_planning/ICOMOS/index.htm](http://www.neduet.edu.pk/arch_planning/ICOMOS/index.htm)
- International Scientific Committee on the Analysis and Restoration of Structures of Architectural Heritage (ISCARSAH) : <http://iscarsah.icomos.org/>

### ICOMOS Meetings and Events

During 2009, more than 187 events were held throughout the world organised by or in collaboration with ICOMOS National Committees or International Scientific Committees.

#### January

- 1 January, National Museum, Prague, Czech Republic, 70 participants - **ICOMOS Czech Republic** seminar on "Architects Lubomír and Čestmír Šlapeta".
- 15 January, Tokyo, Japan, 10 participants - **ICOMOS Japan** seminar on "The Landscape of Hiroshima Peace Memorial".
- 23 January, Palazzo Reale, Palermo, Italy - **ICOMOS Italy** in cooperation with the Regione Siciliana; Università degli Studi di Palermo; Associazione Dimore Storiche Italiane; Grafill Editore; Presentation of the publication "Repertorio delle Dimore Nobili e Notabili nella Sicilia del XVIII secolo, Vol. I intra moenia e Vol. II extra moenia".
- 29 January, Brussels, Belgium, 30 participants – Annual Historic Houses Day, visit to "Maison l'Âne" on the Grand-Place, organised by **ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel**.

#### February

- 5 February, Paris, France – **ICOMOS Bureau** meeting
- 6-7 February, Paris, France - **ICOMOS Executive Committee** meeting
- 7-9 February, Laddawan Palace, Bangkok, Thailand, 100 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand** international conference on the "Conservation and Management of Sacred Places".
- 10-12 February, Uglich, Russia, 12 participants – **ICOMOS Russia** joint scientific working meeting with the IMATHIA Administration (Greece) to develop cooperation in the fields of culture and tourism.
- 12 February, Brussels, Belgium, 230 participants - 1st Belgian Colloquium on Heritage Documentation, organized by **ICOMOS Belgium** and the International Scientific Committee on **Heritage Documentation** (CIPA).
- 16-19 February, Kathmandu, Nepal - ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Risk Preparedness** (ICORP) Symposium on "Protecting World Cultural Heritage Sites and their Historic Urban Environment from Earthquakes".
- 27 February, Skopje, Macedonia, 60 participants – lectures by three **ICOMOS Macedonia** members on experience gained during MA degree in Architectural Conservation in Sofia, Bulgaria.

#### March

- 6 March, Auditorium al Duomo, Florence, Italy – International Conference organised by **ICOMOS Italy** and Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco on "The Image of the Heritage: Changing Perceptions, Permanent Responsibilities".
- 7 March, Brussels, Belgium, 46 participants – **ICOMOS Wallonie-Bruxelles** Day of Technical Visits on Urban Archaeology.
- 11-15 March, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA – **US/ICOMOS** and ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Risk Preparedness** (ICORP) session at the US/ICOMOS Annual Symposium on "Lessons learned from Hurricane Katrina".
- 13-16 March, Cagliari, Italy, 250 participants - *MEDITERRA 2009* - 1<sup>st</sup> Mediterranean Conference on Earth Architecture organized under the aegis of the International Scientific Committee on **Earthen Architectural Heritage** (ISCEAH) in partnership with UNICA, Escola Superior Gallaecia (Vila Nova de Cerveira, Portugal), and CRATerre-ENSAG (UNESCO Chair Earthen Architecture). Open seminar on the conservation of earthen architecture in the Mediterranean region.
- 14 March, Sankhaburi, Thailand – **ICOMOS Thailand's** 23<sup>rd</sup> Heritage Excursion to Sankhaburi Ancient city.
- 20 March, Oslo, Norway, 20 participants - **ICOFORT Norway** seminar on 'Vauban sites'. Keynote speaker: Nicolas Faucherre (France).
- 23 March, Williamsburg, USA – Session on "The New ICOMOS Ename Charter (2008) on the **Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites**: What impact can Digital Technologies really have on public heritage?" at the Conference on Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology.
- 24-25 March, Prague, Czech Republic, 80 participants – 2009 Restoration of Monuments Conference on "Care of the State Castles and Historic Country Houses". Organised by **ICOMOS Czech Republic**.
- 26 March, Oslo, Norway, 30 participants – **ICOMOS Norway** seminar on "Cultural Heritage, Climate Change and Wooden Architecture".
- 26-27 March, Siena, Italy – International Congress "Le Vie della Cultura-Il ruolo delle Province europee nella valorizzazione dei percorsi storici di Pellegrinaggio" organised by **ICOMOS Italy** with the provincial administration.

- 27 March, Baasrode, Belgium, 40 participants – “Patrimoine naviguant”, **ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel** Technical Visit to the boat building yards at Baasrode.
- 30 March, UNESCO, Paris, France - Forum “Ligue des Cités Cananéennes, Phéniciennes et Puniques“. Organised by the Fondation Tyr in collaboration with **ICOMOS Italy**.
- 31 March, National Heritage Institute, Prague, Czech Republic, 50 participants – Seminar on “Regionalism and the Problem of Cultural Identity in Modern Architecture” organised in collaboration with **ICOMOS Czech Republic**.
- March, Curitiba, Parana, Brazil, 100 participants – Symposium on “Heritage and Science” organised by **ICOMOS Brazil**.
- March, San José, Costa Rica, 26 participants - **ICOMOS Costa Rica** Open Seminar on different aspects of conservation, including the current state and future of Guayabo de Turrialba; heritage conservation in Costa Rica over the past 20 years and approaches to current issues of planning and management.

## April

In this month, many ICOMOS Committees organised events to celebrate International Day of Monuments and Sites on and around 18 April. This year’s theme was “Heritage of Science”

- 3-5 April, Trujillo, Peru - ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites** (ICIP) sponsored session at CITA 2009: IV Congreso Internacional Sobre Turismo Arqueológico.
- 4 April, Paestum Museum, Paestum, Italy – **ICOMOS Italy** Congress “Turismo Sostenibile e Sviluppo Locale”.
- 4-14 April, China, 14 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand’s** 24<sup>th</sup> Heritage Excursion to various Silk Road sites in China.
- 6 April, Tokyo, Japan – Lecture on “Current challenges in the management of the World Heritage Convention and implications for the role of ICOMOS” by Herb Stovel (Carleton University, Canada). Organised by **ICOMOS Japan**.
- 6 April, Bucharest, Romania, 50 participants - **ICOMOS Romania** Open Seminar on the state of Cotroceni Church Iconostasis. Six lectures and discussion on the possible re-instatement of the iconostasis inside a newly erected replica of the former church.
- 11 April, Laurion, Greece, 80 participants – One-day conference organised by **ICOMOS Greece** in the framework of International Monuments Day on “Laurion, the two eras of a Mining Landscape”.
- 13-17 April, Porto Alegre, Brazil – XIII Congresso ABRACOR (Brazilian Association of Conservators and Restorers of Cultural Property) on “Preservation of Cultural Heritage: Ethics and Social Responsibility”. Organised in collaboration with **ICOMOS Brazil**.
- 16 and 18 April, Prague, Czech Republic - International Day for Monuments and Sites. **ICOMOS Czech Republic** organised two public lectures on "Heritage and Science", with the support of the National Institute for Heritage Preservation, and co-organized a Ceremonial Session in Prague Castle, in collaboration with the Association of Historical Settlements of Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia and other cultural organisations.
- 17 April, Seoul, Republic of Korea – **ICOMOS Korea** 10th Anniversary Commemorative Symposium. Keynote speaker: Gustavo Araoz, President of ICOMOS.
- ICOMOS-SA, together with two partners, the SA Heritage Resources Agency and the SA Astronomical Observatory, will be hosting a site visit/ tour and presentations on the Scientific Heritage of the Observatory on Friday 17 April 2009.
- 17 April, South Africa, ICOMOS South Africa, SAHRA WC, SAAO (South African Astronomical Observatory) organised a site visit and tour of the Observatory.
- 17-18 April, Kazan, Tatarstan, Russia – **ICOMOS Russia** in collaboration with Kazan Administration and the Russian National UNESCO Commission organised a conference on “Protection, Conservation and Restoration of World Heritage and National Cultural Monuments of Russia” and a press conference.
- 18 April, La Plata, Argentina, 450 participants - In partnership with the Directorate of Cultural Heritage of the Province of Buenos Aires, **ICOMOS Argentina** organised 7 public lectures on heritage preservation, visits to heritage sites linked to science in La Plata and surroundings and a public closing ceremony including a press conference.
- 18 April, Byurakan, Armenia - **ICOMOS Armenia** organised a press conference and an exhibition entitled “*Armenia, Land of Ancient Astronomy*”, followed by a visit to the Byurakan Observatory.
- 18 April, Australia -- **ICOMOS Australia** State representatives of the Executive Committee organised presentations and visits to the following sites:
  - New South Wales - Observatory Hill, special guided tour of the historic Sydney Observatory,
  - Victoria - Tour of the fortifications around Port Phillip Heads,
  - Western Australia - St Bartholomew’s Chapel, East Perth Cemeteries, Old Farm Strawberry Hill,
  - Queensland - Talks and demonstrations on the restoration of windows from St Stephens Cathedral, Brisbane.
- 18 April, Montreal, Canada – **ICOMOS Canada’s** Comité francophone, in cooperation with Héritage Montréal, organised a programme of public activities on the theme of Heritage of Science including visits to archaeological reserves, nuclear and medical research facilities, and on the palaeontology of building stones in Downtown, as well as public lectures on the heritage of science on the World Heritage List and in Montreal and well as on the mysteries surrounding a 17th Century sundial found in Old Montreal.



- 18 April, Wuxi, China, 140 participants - **ICOMOS China** organised the 4th Wuxi Forum on Chinese Cultural Heritage Conservation dedicated to “The Scientific Conservation of Cultural Routes”.
- 18 April, San José, Costa Rica - **ICOMOS Costa Rica** organised a photography contest around “The City of Cartago: its buildings, people, natural spaces and heritage” and awarded its 18<sup>th</sup> April Prize.
- 18 April, Helsinki, Finland – **ICOMOS Finland** excursion to the threatened site of Helsinki Observatory and presentations on historic observatories in the country.
- 18 April, Pécs, Hungary – **ICOMOS Hungary**, in collaboration with the National Office of Cultural Heritage, organised a festive day with lectures on “Industrial Heritage, Art of Heritage” and a prize ceremony.
- 18 April, Tehran, Iran - **ICOMOS Iran** public event, including lectures on “Heritage and Science” and an exhibition of specialised conservation publications.
- 18 April, **ICOMOS Ireland** organised:
  - A guided tour of Ireland's Historic Science Centre and the Great Telescope on the Birr Castle, Co Offaly.
  - A talk on “The Remarkable Robert Halpin” at Tinakilly House, Rathnew, Co. Wicklow, a former home of Robert Halpin.
  - The **ICOMOS Ireland** Annual Outing visited Cork City, with a guided tour of four buildings related to the theme 'Heritage and Science':
    - University College Cork Observatory (19th Century, recently restored)
    - Photonics Building (former Maltings complex)
    - Lifetime Lab (former Cork Corporation Waterworks and now a visitor & education centre on the theme of sustainability)
    - University College Cork Environmental Research Institute (a new building housing environmental research bodies).
- 18 April, Ascea Marina, Italy - **ICOMOS Italy**, in collaboration with the Centro Universitario Europeo – Fondazione Alario organised the congress: “Tra Patrimonio e Scienza: Nuove tecnologie per la comunicazione del Patrimonio Culturale”.
- 18 April, Vilnius, Lithuania - **ICOMOS Lithuania** organised:
  - In cooperation with the Department of Cultural Heritage, a meeting in the Technical Museum of Lithuania, recently established in Vilnius' first Power Station.
  - In collaboration with the State Cultural Reserve of Vilnius' Castles, a monuments and sites “clean-up day”, with special attention to the endangered hills, particularly to Bekesh Hill, burial site of the Hungarian military leader of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania - Caspar Bekesh.
- 18 April, Palacio de Minería, Mexico City, Mexico, 200 participants - **ICOMOS Mexico** event on “Heritage and Science” with the participation of CONACULTA, INAH, INBA, UNAM, and GDF. Followed by a guided tour offered by Mexico City's Government to the recovered and illuminated public spaces. Other cities also celebrated the day: Zacatecas, Querétaro, Mazatlán, Puebla, San Luis Potosí, Morelia with exhibitions, conferences, theatre plays and interviews on radio and television.
- 18 April, Panama Viejo, Panama – **ICOMOS Panama** organised a visit to the archaeological site of Panama Viejo with the participation of students and the public.
- 18 April, Karachi, Pakistan - **ICOMOS Pakistan** presentations and expert lectures on:
  - the restoration and structural consolidation of Shish Mahal (Lahore Fort), a UNESCO World Heritage Site,
  - ongoing projects of the Department of Antiquities, Government of Sindh,
  - other heritage issues in the country.

The session was followed by a visit to the newly restored block of NED City Campus, inaugurated the previous day and a screening of the documentary ‘How Art Created the World’ by Dr. Nigel Spivey.
- 18 April - **ICOMOS Peru** symposium, sponsored by Ricardo Palma University, on the Proyecto Especial Arqueológico Caral-Supe (PEACS) and “COMUNICA2”.
- 18 April - **ICOMOS Poland** press conference and visit to the threatened site of Lezajsk.
- 18 April, Coimbra, Portugal - **ICOMOS Portugal** collaborated with the national authorities in the organisation of over 400 initiatives all over the country, including the ICOMOS Portugal National Conference entitled “Cultural Heritage as an aim and an opportunity” focussing on the relationship between science and heritage, Held under the patronage of the President of the Portuguese Republic, and with the participation of the Ministry of Culture, it was organized in collaboration with IGESPAR, University of Coimbra and PP-CULT, and was followed by a visit to the Science Museum of Coimbra.
- 18 April, Bucharest, Romania, 70 participants - **ICOMOS Romania** public conference on “Science and Heritage” hosted by the Romanian Academy.
- 18 April, Belgrade, Serbia – **ICOMOS Serbia** round table on the contribution of science and technology to the conservation of cultural heritage. Lectures were given by members of the Centre for Study and Research of Heritage, Goša Institute and the Institute for the Protection of Cultural Monuments of Serbia.
- 18 April, Ayutthaya and Petchburi Provinces, Thailand – **ICOMOS Thailand** visit to the threatened Astronomical Heritage sites of Ayutthaya and Petchburi.
- 18 April, Istanbul, Turkey – **ICOMOS Turkey** conference on the theme “Science and Heritage”.
- 18 April, Museo Nacional de Artes Visuales, Montevideo, Uruguay – **ICOMOS Uruguay** lecture by Archeologist Alejo Cordero: “La conservación del patrimonio arqueológico marítimo. Testimonios de Colonia del Sacramento”.
- 18 April, Caracas, Venezuela – **ICOMOS Venezuela** organized the Forum “Heritage and Science”, held at the Architecture and Urbanism Faculty of the Central University of Venezuela, Ciudad Universitaria of Caracas, a World Heritage site.
- 21 April, Tallinn, Estonia, 50 participants – **ICOMOS Estonia** conference on Heritage Protection.

- 24-25 April, Veljusa and Vodoca, Strumica, Macedonia, 80 participants - **ICOMOS Macedonia** organised:
  - a press conference and a Forum on "Cultural Heritage and Science".
  - a site visit of St. Bogorodica Eleusa Monastery, v. Veljusa and St. Leontie Monastery, Vodoca, Banya Banska and Carevi fortress. Participants also visited a natural site on Belasica Mountain, near Strumica and Kolesino falls.
- 25 April, Brussels, Belgium, 42 participants – **ICOMOS Wallonie-Bruxelles** Day of Technical Visits to the « Institut Royal du Patrimoine Artistique » and the « Parc du Cinquantenaire ».
- 26 April, Cyprus, various locations: **ICOMOS Cyprus** in cooperation with the Department of Antiquities and the Pancyprian Organisation of Architectural Heritage organised free public tours at the following pre-industrial installations: Agia Varvara: Workshop; Galata: Watermill of Kyrillos; Lofou: Olive mill; Palaichori: Olive mill; Spilia: Olive mill; Kakopetria village: Wine press. The following pre-industrial installations were also opened to the public: Galata: Watermill of Rodou, Kakopetria: Wine press and Olive mill in the yard of the Church of Sotiros, Omodos: Wine press, Laneia: Wine press, Kakopetria: Watermill (the Mill of Gonia), Giolou: Watermill of Kougiouka

## May

- 7 May, Museum of the Order of St John, London, UK – **ICOMOS UK** one-day workshop on the history of the development of certain strands of science and scientific thought in relation to World Heritage and its presence on the World Heritage List.
- 8 May, Tallinn, Estonia, 25 participants – **ICOMOS Estonia** Seminar on the maintenance of military cemeteries.
- 8 May, Milano, Italy - Special one-day symposium organized by Polytechnico di Milano to acknowledge the scientific contribution of **ICOMOS ISCARSAH** long-time member Luigia Binda and encourage her to continue her research at the Department of Structural Engineering.
- 8-9 May, Athens, Greece, 50 participants - ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Historic Towns and Villages** (CIVVIH), in collaboration with **ICOMOS Greece**, organised a workshop to draft a new doctrinal text of Principles for the conservation of historic towns that will complement and up-date the Washington Charter.
- 11 May, Sibiu, Romania, 75 participants and 20 lectures - ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Vernacular Architecture** (CIAV) with the assistance of Transylvania Nostra, **ICOMOS Romania**, **ICOMOS Hungary** and **ICOMOS Germany**, held an open seminar on the conservation of ethno-cultural heritage, with special emphasis on the treatment of the heritage of Transylvania during the past 25 years and how current issues of planning and management should be approached. The Rimetea Document, a declaration co-written by ICOMOS Romania, ICOMOS Hungary, ICOMOS Germany and CIAV was adopted by all those present.
- 16 May, Harku, Estonia, 30 participants – **ICOMOS Estonia** Seminar on the Maintenance of WWI Defence Lines.
- 20 May, Tbilisi, Georgia, 22 participants - **ICOMOS Georgia** contributed two presentations on the restoration of Darbazi type dwellings, at this workshop dedicated to the Tbilisi Open Air Museum, organised by UNESCO, NHU and the National Museum of Georgia.
- 22-23 May, Noto, Italy – Together with the Assessorato Regionale al Turismo Regione Siciliana, **ICOMOS Italy** organised the congress "Competitive and sustainable tourism - the network of the E.VI.MED product for an environmentally friendly and energy saving touristic offer of quality".
- 23 May, National Museum of Bangkok, Thailand, 50 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand** organised its 24<sup>th</sup> General Assembly and discussed "20<sup>th</sup> Century Heritage: the Supreme Court".
- 24-26 May, Kassel, Germany - **ICOMOS Germany** organised the congress "Hortus ex machina. The Wilhelmshöhe Mountain Park as a trio of art, nature and technology", in collaboration with the Conservation Department of the State of Hessen and the Museumslandschaft Hessen-Kassel.
- 26 May, Naples, Italy – **ICOMOS Italy** national congress on "Analytical techniques for the restoration of the architectural heritage and landscapes".
- 28 May, Idrija Slovenia – **ICOMOS Slovenia**, in collaboration with the City Museum of Idrija and Rudnikom živega srebra v Idriji, organised the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference "The environmental and socio-economic impact of Mercury extraction and its use" in relation to Idrija's nomination for UNESCO World Heritage Listing.
- May 2009, Yosemite National Park, CA, USA - Interdisciplinary Cultural Heritage interpretation training workshop, sponsored by the US National Parks Service and the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites** (ICIP).

## June

- 1-3 June, Metropolitan Museum, New York, USA, 125 participants from 14 countries (restorers, master glass-workers, scientists, conservators, art historians and architects) - The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Stained Glass** (ISCV) and the American Corpus Vitrearum Committee organised "The Art of Collaboration", a forum on the conservation of stained glass. Two days were devoted to technical and scientific papers by lecturers from 7 countries (Germany, USA, France, Italy, Poland, UK and Switzerland) and a third day to site visits where participants could study works by John LaFarge and Louis C. Tiffany. Proceedings will be published in 2010 by Brepols and the next forum will be held in Lisbon, Portugal, on the restoration of 20th Century stained glass.
- 8-9 June, Bordeaux, France, 131 participants – One-day public seminar organised by **ICOMOS France** on "Historic Urban Landscapes: A new UNESCO recommendation in support of the World Heritage Convention". It focused on the management of urban landscapes.

- 9 June, Tbilisi, Georgia, 100 participants - **ICOMOS Georgia** presented its programme “Revitalisation of the Betlemi Historic Quarter” at the International Symposium “Careful urban renewal and civil society” organised by the Goethe-Institut.
- 11 and 19 June, Salerno and Naples, Italy – **ICOMOS Italy** organised, with the support of the Rotary Club, the event “International action for the conservation and development of UNESCO World Heritage Sites”
- 11-12 June, Hangzhou, China, 150 participants and 32 lectures – **ICOMOS China** seminar on challenges and experiences in the conservation of large-scale archaeological sites in China. Following vivid discussion on the present state and future of such heritage sites, the *Liangzhu Consensus on Archaeological Parks* was passed.
- 12-13 June, Tournai, Belgium, 38 participants – **ICOMOS Wallonie-Bruxelles** Technical Session on lead, illustrated by the reconstruction of the lead roof of Tournai Cathedral (World Heritage) based on building archaeology findings. The session was followed by a technical visit to the restoration of the fortification walls, the rehabilitation of historic print shops at Casterman, and the lime kiln conservation project at Chercq.
- 15 June, Bucharest, Romania – **ICOMOS Romania** seminar with representatives of the Romanian Order of Architects and the Romanian Registered Town Planners to discuss how architects and town planners, members or not members of ICOMOS, can contribute to the preservation of architectural heritage in urban areas.
- 18-20 June, Lindau, Germany - the International Bodensee-Symposium was organised by ICOM Germany, ICOM Switzerland and ICOM Austria, in cooperation with **ICOMOS Germany, ICOMOS Switzerland and ICOMOS Austria** on the subject of “Museen und Denkmäler – Historisches Erbe und Kulturtourismus” (Museums and monuments - historical inheritance and cultural tourism).
- 19 June, Madrid, Spain – **ICOMOS Bureau** meeting
- 22 June, Delden, Netherlands, 15 participants – **ICOMOS Nederland** and **ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel** annual contact and exchange symposium on “Historical Interiors: Castles, gardens and estates”.
- 22-24 June, Narni, Italy, 34 participants – **ICOMOS Italy** and ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Historic Towns and Villages** (CIVVIH) organised two seminars :
  - “Small towns and villages”, offering an overview of the state of conservation of smaller urban and rural entities around the world.
  - “Risk Preparedness”, offering an introduction to risk preparedness concepts and practice as through relevant case studies from around the world.
- 25 June, Canberra, ACT, Australia, 18 participants – As part of the **ICOMOS Australia** – Canberra Talks Series: The Return of the Rocks - The Sorry Rock Phenomenon at Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park by Dr Jasmine Foxlee, Director of Stepwise Heritage and Tourism and recent PhD graduate of the University of Western Sydney.
- 25 June, Lyon, France, 100 participants – One-day public seminar organised by **ICOMOS France** on “Quel avenir pour les prisons de Lyon-Saint-Joseph et Saint-Paul?”. Participants discussed the future of heritage as it relates to prisons with 12 speakers who stressed the importance of their traditions and urban heritage. Included was a visit to St. Joseph and St. Paul’s prisons organised by the regional authorities.
- 25-26 June, Friuli Venezia Giulia, Italy – **ICOMOS Italy** participated at the III International Congress of the Società Italiana per la Protezione dei Beni Culturali on “Border areas: Cooperation in the protection and enhancement of cultural heritage”.

## July

- 3-5 July, Blaenavon, Wales, United Kingdom – **ICOMOS UK** conference on the history and role of Open-Air Museums in Europe as indicators of rural life before the industrial era. Discussions among international participants raised interesting questions about authenticity and Dr Thomas Bloch Ravn, Director of Denmark’s National Open-Air Museum gave a talk on how his museum deals with funding and cultural tourism issues.
- 5-8 July, Thailand, 30 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand** organised its 25th Heritage Excursion to Chumphorn-Surat Thani-Nakorn Si Thammarat on the theme “Sacred places of the South”.
- 7-10 July, Sydney Masonic Centre, Australia, 281 participants from twelve countries - The (Un)Loved Modern conference was organized by key international organizations engaged in the conservation of 20th century heritage including **Australia ICOMOS**, DOCOMOMO Australia, ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Twentieth Century Heritage**, APT Australian Chapter, the Australian Institute of Architects and the International Union of Architects. Besides the keynote speakers, conference attendees included Gustavo Araoz, President of ICOMOS; Maristella Casciato, Chair of DOCOMOMO International; and Louise Cox, President of the International Union of Architects. The conference combined two and a half days of papers with an afternoon of field sessions, on the following themes: (Un)Loved Modern; Re-engaging with Original Designers; The Single House under Threat; Managing 20<sup>th</sup> Century Obsolescence; Re-thinking Colonial Heritage; War in the Pacific; Technical Challenges.
- 12-13 July, Mostar, Bosnia-Herzegovina, 20 participants – **ICOMOS Bosnia-Herzegovina** and ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on the **Analysis and Restoration of Structures** of Architectural Heritage (ISCARSAH) organized a symposium on “Assessment and Strengthening of Historical Stone Masonry Constructions Subjected to Seismic Actions”.

- 13 July, Old Parliament House, Canberra, Australia, 110 participants - Donald Horne Institute symposium on 'The Heritage of 20th Century Planned Cities: Canberra in Global Context' featured presentations by Gustavo Aroz, President of ICOMOS, and Maristella Casciato, President of DOCOMOMO, discussing international cases of heritage assessment of planned cities, including Brasilia, Chandigarh, Savannah and Washington DC. Three local speakers, Emeritus Professor Ken Taylor, Dr Michael Pearson (Chair ACT Heritage Council) and Mr. Brett Odgers (Walter Burley Griffin Society) provided commentary on the heritage values of Canberra. The session was chaired by Sheridan Burke, Chair of the ICOMOS Scientific Committee on **20th Century Heritage**.
- 13 July, Canberra, Australia, 80 participants – **ICOMOS Australia** organised the symposium 'Commemorating the First World War—Australia and Canada— A Shared Heritage', held at the Australian War Memorial by the Donald Horne Institute. The symposium featured Jacqueline Hucker and Dinu Bumbaru, both involved in the restoration of the Vimy Ridge Memorial in northern France and was attended by Deputy Vice Chancellor of the University of Canberra, Carole Kayrooz. The day's events were also supported by the ACT Government Centenary of Canberra Task Force and Old Parliament House.
- 20 July, Canberra, Australia, 40 participants - **Australia ICOMOS**, with the Australian Council of National Trusts and the Donald Horne Institute, University of Canberra, organised the workshop "Australia's Heritage and the EPBC Act", focusing on the review of the heritage provisions of the Act which relate to the identification, assessment, management and listing of Commonwealth and National heritage. The workshop report formed the basis of a submission to the next stage of the review.
- 25 July, Sichuan, China, 50 participants - **ICOMOS China** seminar on post-earthquake rescue and restoration of cultural heritage. The resulting "Chengdu Resolution" invited ICOMOS China to coordinate the preparation of the ICOMOS Heritage Toolkit on "Earthquake preparedness and recovery practice for cultural heritage properties" and participate in the development of a rapid mobilisation heritage expert team to be deployed around the world in response to major disasters impacting on cultural heritage. The ICOMOS President and experts visited the earthquake affected areas in Sichuan Province.
- 27 July, Calanna (RC), Italy – **ICOMOS Italy** participated in the Università di Reggio Calabria Symposium "Festival of Nature, Culture and Traditions in the Valley of the Gallico".

## August

- 1 August, Canberra, Australia, 20 participants – The **ICOMOS Australia** workshop on "**Cultural Landscapes and Cultural Routes-Shared Issues**", organised with the Institute of Professional Practice in Heritage and the Arts of the Australian National University, aimed at discussing matters of mutual interest among Australian ISC members and work towards agreed positions on key issues to be taken to the meetings of the respective ISCs in Malta and Japan later in 2009.
- 4 August, Bangkok, Thailand, 200 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand** public hearing at the Senate to discuss the ICOMOS Thailand Charter.
- 19 August, Tehran, Iran, 152 participants - An exceptional seminar on "New findings in architecture of the Islamic Period" in memory of Bagher A. Shirazi, founder and first President of **ICOMOS Iran**, who passed away on 19 August 2007.
- 27 August, Frogner Manor, Oslo, Norway, 5 participants – National Scientific Committee on **Vernacular Architecture - CIAV Norway** meeting: 'How to work on impossible constructions'.
- 27-29 August, Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico, 100 participants – 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the National Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century Architecture and First Encounter of the Twentieth Century Scientific Committees of the Americas organised by **ICOMOS Mexico**.
- 29 August, Chantarakasem Palace, Ayutthaya, Thailand, 50 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand 25<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting and Symposium** on the "Scientific Heritage of Siam".

## September

- 2 September – 2 October, Rome, Italy - The ARIS09 Course "Architectural Records, Inventories and Information Systems for Conservation" organized by ICCROM and the Getty Conservation Institute. With participants from 17 different countries and many instructors from the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Heritage Documentation** (CIPA), the course covered: hand measurement; photography; thermal imaging; laser scanning; 3D modelling; time-lapse and balloon photography; strobe lighting; photogrammetry; Geographic Information Systems (GIS); Global Positioning Systems (GPS); topographic survey; panoramic photographic; data management and video.
- 4-8 September, Procida, Italy – International Summer School "Valuing cultural diversity in cities - challenges to cultural economics" organised by the International Scientific Committee on **Economics of Conservation** (ISCEC) and **ICOMOS Italy**. Major course themes included: Introducing cultural diversity; Intangible assets and cultural diversity; Introducing valuation methods; Valuing linguistic diversity; Understanding cultural capital; Cultural diversity and challenges to cultural economics; The economic value of tangibles: cultural diversity in cities; The economic value of Intangibles: the case of languages and best practices in conservation.
- 5 and 11 September, Montevideo, Uruguay, 70 participants - **ICOMOS Uruguay** organized a series of workshops on the urgent need to review the Law 14040 (20 October 1971), known as "Ley de Patrimonio". Two plenary meetings were held, followed by meetings in subject groups: Archaeology, Architecture, Cultural Landscape, Intangible, Documents, Arts, Communication and Legal, Management and Institutional Organization.
- 14 September, Auditorium Cassa di Risparmio, L'Aquila, Italy – Symposium on "What future for the territory of L'Aquila after the earthquake of 6/4/2009" organised by **ICOMOS Italy**.

- 16-17 September, Paslek, Poland – **ICOMOS Poland** scientific conference on “Wall painting in a Gothic Church”.
- 17 September, Florence, Italy - Congrès “Designing time and harmony” organised by the Università degli Studi di Firenze - Dipartimento di Progettazione dell’Architettura with **ICOMOS Italy**.
- 19 September, Bangkok, Thailand, 70 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand 26<sup>th</sup>** Members Meeting and Symposium on “Heritage on the Chareonkrung Road”.
- 23 September, Tallinn, Estonia, 10 participants – **ICOMOS Estonia** lecture on ICOMOS activities.
- 24-26 September, Gdynia, Poland – **ICOMOS Poland** international conference on “Modernism in Europe, Modernism in Gdynia”.
- 25-26 September, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina – European Heritage Days event on the “Protection and promotion of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Bosnia and Herzegovina; Implementation of the Convention for the Protection of Intangible Cultural Heritage” organised by the Federal Ministry of Education and Culture with the participation of **ICOMOS Bosnia and Herzegovina**.
- September, Lapa, Parana, Brazil – Participation and support by **ICOMOS Brazil** to the IPHAN seminar “Historic Roads and Routes”.
- 28 September – 2 October, Cuzco, Peru - **ICOMOS Peru** sponsored the Conference-Workshop CPA 2009 “Conservation of Architectural Heritage: Advances in the Structural Aspects”, co-organised by Pontificia Universidad Católica del Peru and the San Antonio de Abad de Cuzco National University, as a first step in creating an interdisciplinary joint program on conservation of architectural monuments.

## October

- 1-3 October, Mersin, Turkey – **ICOMOS Turkey** symposium on documentation methods for immovable cultural properties.
- 2 October, House of Culture, Helsinki, Finland –13 lecturers. **ICOMOS Finland** Seminar organised with the National Board of Forests, RAMSAR Finland and the University of Turku, Degree Programme in Cultural Production and Landscape Studies, to discuss the definition of the underwater landscape and the current management issues for underwater heritage.
- 3 October, Trèves, Luxembourg - **ICOMOS Luxembourg** site visit to the Church of Notre-Dame at Trèves, currently under restoration. The conservation of the Church’s mural paintings is being carried out by Mr. Thomas Lutgen, member of ICOMOS Luxembourg.
- 5 – 10 October, Valletta, Malta – **ICOMOS Executive Committee, Advisory Committee, Scientific Council meetings and Scientific Symposium** on “Technological Change”
- 7 October, Ecole Française de Rome, Italy –Congress “The historic area of L’Aquila: from emergency to revitalisation – management strategies and methodologies for intervention” organised by **ICOMOS Italy**, ICCROM and the Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri Ufficio del Vice Commissario Delegato per la Tutela dei Beni Culturali.
- 7-9 October, Archbishopal Castle, Kroměříž, Czech Republic, 80 participants – International seminar on “Historic Gardens and Parks as part of the contemporary urban landscape” organised by **ICOMOS Czech Republic**.
- 7 October, Canberra, ACT, Australia, 40 participants – As part of the **ICOMOS Australia** – Canberra Talk Series The event “Considering a Career in Cultural Heritage?”, co-sponsored by the Donald Horne institute for Cultural Heritage and the Institute for Professional Practice in Heritage and the Arts, featured the launch of the ICOMOS Trial Mentoring Scheme. A panel of current students, early career professionals and potential employers discussed the expectations, pathways and pitfalls associated with careers in the heritage and museum sectors.
- 8-9 October, Klaipėda, Lithuania - **ICOMOS Lithuania**, in collaboration with the Lithuanian Archaeological Society, Klaipėda University and the Department of Cultural Heritage, organised the international conference “Underwater archaeology in the Baltic region: challenges and perspectives” which covered the following areas: Underwater methodology and techniques (exploration, survey technology, excavation and recording); Wetland archaeology; Maritime archaeology (research in the Baltic sea); Fresh water archaeology; Future developments.
- 10 October, Vielsalm, Belgium, 21 participants – **ICOMOS Belgium** Technical visits and discussions on “Culture and Nature”.
- 11-15 October, Kyoto, Japan, 200 participants, 2 keynote speeches, 64 oral presentations and 56 posters - 22nd Symposium of the International Scientific Committee on **Heritage Documentation (CIPA)** on “Digital Documentation, Interpretation & Presentation of Cultural Heritage”. Organised in collaboration with **ICOMOS Japan**, it was the first time a CIPA symposium was held in Asia. Full proceedings available at <http://cipa.icomos.org/KYOTO.html>
- 15-16 October, Grand Site des Deux Caps, Pas-de-Calais, France, 250 participants – Public seminar organised by **ICOMOS France** on “Universal values, local values, for whom and why is a site considered to be major” with 17 lecturers and participants from the Netherlands, Benin, Canada, Hungary, Switzerland, Belgium, Peru and Italy. Participants discussed shared values as they pertain to heritage sites managed by French and foreign authorities.
- 16-18 October, Dublin Castle, Ireland – Joint **ICOMOS Ireland** and **ICOMOS UK** meeting on ‘Cultural Landscapes’, organised on the occasion of the Heritage Council’s Irish Landscape conference. The last day focused on site visits to Phoenix Park historic landscape, Brú na Bóinne World Heritage site and Beaulieu historic house and gardens. A second joint event is planned for 2011.
- 17 October, Thailand, 30 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand 27<sup>th</sup>** Heritage Excursion on the “Khao Wang Cultural Route” in Ratchaburi-Petchburi.

- 17 October, Castello di S.Barbato, Manocalzati, Italy – Congress “Restauration and management models – the castle of S. Barbato” organised by **ICOMOS Italy**.
- 18-22 October, Orkhon Valley Cultural Landscape (World Heritage site), Mongolia – **ICOMOS Mongolia**, in collaboration with UNESCO, organised a workshop on “World Heritage Education and Education for Sustainable Development in Mongolia”.
- 21-24 October, Hamilton, Canada, 120 participants - International conference on “Industrial Strength – Conserving Canada’s Industrial Heritage”. The event enabled **ICOMOS Canada** to contribute to the creation of a national network on conservation issues for industrial heritage initiated by TICCIH Canada and provided an opportunity to gather comments on the draft ICOMOS-TICCIH Joint Principles for the Conservation of Industrial Heritage Sites, Structures and Areas. The ICOMOS Ethical Commitment Statement and a set of draft resolutions, including on the implementation of the World Heritage Convention in Canada and improving ICOMOS Canada’s knowledge of concepts and procedures in that context, were tabled at the AGM.
- 22 October, Sydney, Australia, 7 participants – As part of the **ICOMOS Australia** – Canberra Talk Series, Derek Hallam discussed “Gothic Revival to Radio Telescopes-Heritage at the University of Sydney” reviewing many years of managing the diverse cultural heritage of the University and lessons learned from this long term experience.
- 22 October, Oslo, Norway, 26 participants – **ICOMOS Norway** course for scientific experts working on heritage sites, with four lectures and a workshop.
- 22-23 October, Banja Luka, Bosnia-Herzegovina – 4<sup>th</sup> Regional Conference on integrated approaches to the protection of cultural heritage - “Evaluating necessities and priorities in the protection of cultural and natural heritage”. The event was organised by the Ministry of Education and Culture with participation from **ICOMOS Bosnia-Herzegovina**.
- 22-24 October, Ciechanowicz, Poland, 120 participants – **ICOMOS Poland** international conference on “Castles, cities, ruins – evaluation and protection”.
- 26 October, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia – **ICOMOS Mongolia** conference on “Conservation of biological and cultural diversity in Mongolia through sacred sites”.
- 28 October – 2 November, Capo di Ponte, Valcamonica, Italy, 100 participants from over 40 countries – At the XXIII Valcamonica Symposium, seventy papers were presented in eight sessions, characterized by multidisciplinary approaches: Prehistoric art and ideology; Prehistoric art and new museology; Rock art and World Heritage; Near East prehistoric art and ideology; Prehistoric art and psychoanalysis; Toward the decoding of Scandinavian rock art (chaired by the International Scientific Committee on **Rock Art** (CAR); Alpine rock art; Prehistoric art and art history. During the symposium, several commissions met: on ICOMOS CAR, the UISPP commission on “Intellectual and spiritual expressions of non-literate people” and the team for coordination between UNESCO-WHC, ICOMOS-CAR, CISENP-UISPP and CCSP. ICOMOS CAR was one of the co-organisers of the symposium.
- 21 October, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil - The ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Cultural Landscapes ICOMOS-IFLA** (ISCCL) was represented by Carlos Jankilevich (Costa Rica) at the IFLA (International Federation of Landscape Architects) General Assembly.
- 26 October, Helsinki, Finland, 21 participants – Organised by **ICOMOS Finland** with support from ICOM Finland, the seminar examined risk preparedness and potential future activities of the Blue Shield in Finland; through 6 lectures related to risk preparedness for archives, museums, libraries and the built cultural heritage and the implementation of the 1954 Hague Convention in Finland.
- 26 October – 6 December, Chantaburi, Thailand - Fifteen trainees from Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Lao PDR and Thailand participated in a six-week Foundation Course on Underwater Archaeology, organized by the UNESCO Bangkok Office in collaboration with the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on **Underwater Cultural Heritage** (ICUCH), NAS and the Underwater Archaeology Division of Thailand.
- 31 October, Owase City, Japan - 2009 International Symposium Owase Kumano Kodo organised by **ICOMOS Japan** and International Scientific Committee on **Cultural Routes** (CIIC) to commemorate the fifth anniversary of its World Heritage inscription. The symposium discussed cultural tourism, transmission of heritage to future generations and interpretation, as well as the the conservation, management, and use of cultural routes
- October, Guayaquil, Ecuador – **ICOMOS Ecuador**, in collaboration with the Catholic University of Guayaquil, organised training courses in conservation and management of cultural heritage for technicians from Ecuador’s historic coastal towns.

## November

- 1 November, Ise, Japan - International Exchange Symposium “World Heritage for Peace” organised by **ICOMOS Japan** and International Scientific Committee on **Cultural Routes** (CIIC) and Mie Prefecture.
- 5 November, Ljubljana, Slovenia – Open lecture by Dr. Vincent Buhagiar (University of Malta) organised by **ICOMOS Slovenia** in collaboration with ZRMK.
- 6 November, Lisbon, Portugal, 120 participants and 12 lectures – **ICOMOS Portugal** and IHRU (National Authority on Housing and Urban Renovation) organised the conference “Historic urban areas and contemporary life” to discuss the issues and challenges related to the conservation, planning and management of historic urban areas.
- 9-13 November, Amherst, MA, USA – US/ICOMOS and the International Scientific Committee on **Interpretation and Presentation of Cultural Heritage Sites** (ICIP) co-sponsored the International Workshop “Heritage conflict and consensus” at the University of Massachusetts.

- 11-12 November, Gyeongju-si, Republic of Korea, 200 participants and 6 lectures – The World Heritage Forum 2009, organised by **ICOMOS Republic of Korea**, dealt with different aspects of the inscription process, conservation planning and management of World Cultural Heritage. Special emphasis was laid on how nominations and tentative lists are developed and how conservation management policies are implemented from a policy maker's point of view.
- 13 November, Naples, Italy - Università degli Studi Federico II Congress on "Monuments and environments: Restorers of the late twentieth century - from restoration to conservation, between the tangible and the intangible." Organised by **ICOMOS Italy**.
- 13 November, Lisbon, Portugal – The **ICOMOS Portugal** seminar "Modern conservation on a Friday 13th" discussed the future and the conservation of 20<sup>th</sup> Century architectural heritage and the main trends it currently faces.
- 15-17 November, Edirne, Turkey, 23 participants – The International Scientific Committee on **Historic Towns and Villages** (CIVVIH) meeting on "World Heritage issues in the Mediterranean – The Edirne case" mainly focussed on management issues.
- 16-18 November, Vienna, Austria, 230 participants - The International Scientific Committee on **Heritage Documentation** (CIPA) held a scientific session at the conference "Cultural Heritage and New Technologies" organized by the City of Vienna. This 15th regional annual meeting focussed on urban archaeology, a relatively new sub-discipline within the archaeological sciences. The conference covered: the reasons for the late development of the discipline; the impact of its scientific results; developments over the last decade; definitions of Urban Archaeology and differing approaches world-wide. For more information <http://www.magwien.gv.at/archaeologie>.
- 17 November, Karachi, Pakistan, 30 participants – **ICOMOS Pakistan** lecture on "Artifacts of devotion: Appearing Sufism through material culture" by Prof. Michel Boivin, organised in collaboration with the History Group of DAPNED.
- 18-19 November, Ljubljana, Slovenia – **ICOMOS Slovenia** members lectured at the Symposium "Cultural Heritage and the Public", held at the Archaeological Department of Ljubljana University.
- 19 November, Chisinau, Moldova, 46 participants – **ICOMOS Moldova** national conference "Cultural Heritage Protection in the City of Chisinau".
- 20 November, Museum of Macedonia, Skopje, Macedonia, 75 participants and 7 papers - Joint activity of **ICOMOS Macedonia**, ICOM Macedonia and Blue Shield Macedonia on "Sacral cultural heritage in the Republic of Macedonia in the event of armed conflict and in emergency situation: relations, owners, users and society".
- 20-21 November, Berlin, Germany - "The European Heritage Label and the World Cultural Heritage", workshop organised by **ICOMOS Germany** in collaboration with the Berlin conservation department.
- 20-21 November, Palazzo Zorzi, Venice, Italy – International conference "Cultural heritage: conservation, innovation, development" organised by **ICOMOS Italy** and UNESCO
- 21 November, Bangkok, Thailand, 50 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand** organised its 27<sup>th</sup> Members Meeting on the theme "Junction Communities I: from Ban Chin to Ku Tao".
- 22 November, Ravello, Italy - "Euro-mediterranean tourism - strategies for the management and enhancement of local resources. Culture and the development of places". Conference organised by the Centro Universitario Europeo in collaboration with **ICOMOS Italy**.
- 26 November, Old Bishopsbourne, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, 51 participants - **ICOMOS Australia** Workshop & Forum "Heritage in Queensland 2009 – 2010". ICOMOS member speakers were Michael Kennedy (architect) on the heritage of 'Old Bishopsbourne' and the St Francis Theological College; Fiona Gardiner (DERM) on the State Heritage Act changes; and Ruth Woods (architect) on the Queensland Heritage Council projects and strategic plan. Other speakers included: DERM officers on the archaeological places inclusion in the Act and the State Wide Survey; Sylvania Grassadonia (Brisbane City Council) and Ivan McDonald (heritage architect) on local heritage issues, and Stewart Armstrong (Queensland CEO of The National Trust of Australia) speaking on their focus and concerns for the coming years. The talks were followed by a guided tour of the Robin Dodds chapel by heritage architect Robert Riddel.
- 26 November, Sarpsborg, Norway, 100 participants – **ICOMOS Norway** seminar "Doco-Rococo – The architecture of the 18th Century" organised at Hafslund Manor, with 18 lectures and excursions.
- 26 November, Zacatecas, Mexico, 180 participants and 39 papers - XXIX International Symposium on the Conservation of Cultural Heritage "Cities and their heritage, engagement with integrated planning", organised in collaboration with **ICOMOS Mexico**.
- 27 November, Leuven, Belgium, 60 participants – **ICOMOS Vlaanderen-Brussel** Technical visit to St. James' Church and Museum.
- 28 November, Brussels, Belgium, 36 participants – **ICOMOS Belgium** Annual meeting of International Scientific Committees Representatives.
- 29 November, Dublin Castle, Ireland, 120 participants - The 11th Maura Shaffrey Memorial Lecture organised by **ICOMOS Ireland** had Gustavo F. Araoz, President of ICOMOS, speaking on "Preserving heritage in view of its evolving perception and its new role in society - A global leadership challenge for ICOMOS".
- 29 November, Ljubljana, Slovenia – Lecture by **ICOMOS Slovenia** Vice President, Dr. Roko Zarnič, on "The European Economic Recovery Plan – protection, conservation and enhancement of cultural heritage, including human habitat".

## December

- 2 December, Heritage Victoria, Australia, 15 participants - **Australia ICOMOS** members attended a presentation by Mr Balvinder Singh, Associate Professor at the Guru Ramdass School of Planning in Guru Nanak Dev University in Amritsar, on urban redevelopment and built heritage conservation in Amritsar and the Punjab region, and his work in photographically documenting the area's vanishing landmarks.
- 2-9 December, Wroclaw, Poland, 19 participants – **ICOMOS Poland** and the International Scientific Committee on the **Analysis and Restoration of Structures** of Architectural Heritage (ISCARSAH) participated in the organisation of the XIIIth Scientific-Technical Conference on the Repair, Conservation and Strengthening of Traditionally Erected Buildings and Historic Buildings (REMO2009). On the same occasion, the International Scientific Committee on **Wood** (IIBC) held a symposium 3 December. Joint ISCARSAH and IIBC meetings focused on the importance of education and training and on awareness raising for engineers, architects, technicians, and especially young people. Participants had the opportunity to visit the Centennial Hall designed by Architect Max Berg, inscribed on the World Heritage List. Participants also visited the remarkable Protestant Wooden Churches of Swiednicza and Javor, both World Heritage sites.
- 10 December, London, United Kingdom – **ICOMOS UK's** Annual Christmas Lecture and Reception, organised with the Royal Institute of Great Britain, featured Prof. Clive Ruggles, Chair of the International Astronomical Union's Working Group on Astronomy and World Heritage, currently working with UNESCO and ICOMOS to help identify, protect and preserve the most outstanding manifestations of global cultural heritage relating to the sky. In his lecture Prof. Ruggles described some major discoveries made in recent years on several ongoing research and fieldwork projects, mainly in Peru, the Hawaiian Islands, and various areas in Europe.
- 10-13 December, Præ-Nan, Thailand, 20 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand** organised its 38<sup>th</sup> Heritage Excursion in Northern Thailand on the theme "Viengkosai-nantaburi Si nakorn Nan"
- 11 December, Cittadella, Italy – The conference "Conservation and management of cultural heritage: the case of the Città Murate" was organised by the Associazione delle Città Murate di Venezia in collaboration with **ICOMOS Italy**.
- 16 December, Napoli, Italy – The International Scientific Committee on **Economics of Conservation** (ISCEC), **ICOMOS Italy**, Integrated e-Services for Advanced Access to Heritage in Cultural Tourist Destinations (ISAAC) and the Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II organised an international meeting on "Cultural heritage, local development and ICT - towards a creative network". Major themes included: ISAAC outcomes; Cultural heritage, ICT innovations and enterprises: possible networks; Disseminating ISAAC findings in local government; General Conclusions.
- 19 December, Bangkok, Thailand, 50 participants – **ICOMOS Thailand** organised an expert meeting to discuss the nomination of Phrprabat to the World Heritage List.
- 22 December, National Museum, Prague, Czech Republic, 70 participants – **ICOMOS Czech Republic** organised the seminar "Josef Zitek (1832-1909) – Czech Architect of European Grandness, Pedagogue and Conservationist".
- December, Cairns, Australia, 40 participants - Cairns Institute Seminar on "Chinese heritage in China and North Queensland". **ICOMOS Australia** presented Guo Zhan, ICOMOS Vice President, and Zang Zhipping of China.
- December, Western Australia, 45 participants – **ICOMOS Australia** meetings on York Houses.
- December, Old Havana, Cuba – Seminar on the management of historic sites organised by **ICOMOS Cuba**.

## Various other meetings or scientific events organized by ICOMOS committees:

- **ICOMOS Iran** organised 6 public lectures that dealt with different aspects of conservation, urban fabric, archaeology and history of architecture in Iran and Afghanistan. About 90 participants attended each event.
- **ICOMOS Ireland** organised 5 talks for its members:
  - The Heritage Council and its cultural heritage policy by Mr Michael Starrett (CEO, Heritage Council)
  - The ICOMOS International Secretariat by Ms Gaia Jungeblodt (Director, ICOMOS International Secretariat)
  - The Influence of chinoiserie in Ireland in the 18th Century by Ms Patricia Wrafter
  - Measuring climate change vulnerability: a case study of Brú na Bóinne by Ms Cathy Daly
  - Flood management by the Office of Public Works by Mr Tony Smith (Chief Engineer, OPW)
- **ICOMOS Netherlands** organised three expert meetings. The main event was the traditional Dutch-Flemish study exchange day; the theme this year was "Historic houses within their landscape". A second event on restoration ethics was organised at the Rijksmuseum, an 1885 building under restoration. The lecture by the chairman of Blue Shield Germany on the Cologne City Archive disaster attracted a large audience; the background problems and the recovery work were discussed.
- **ICOMOS New Zealand's** Annual General meeting was held in the small town of Kaikoura, where almost half the membership enjoyed a weekend of short lectures and visits to historic towns, mission sites and New Zealand War sites.
- **US/ICOMOS** staged its annual Summer Intern Exchange Programme, running now for 26 years, in which 6 young professionals from 6 countries participated. One intern from Romania worked in the United States and five American interns worked with overseas host organizations in India, Ireland, Jamaica, Romania and Sweden.



## Events attended by ICOMOS

In 2009 ICOMOS was invited to be represented at many meetings in its role as an Advisory Body to UNESCO, and as a worldwide professional network for heritage conservation. This list illustrates only some of these areas of involvement during the year.

### January

13-15 January, UNESCO, Paris - World Heritage Advisory Bodies meeting  
22 January, Paris, France – Meeting of the International Committee of the Blue Shield

### February

24 February, UNESCO, Paris – Informal Working Group on resourcing of the World Heritage Centre and Advisory Bodies  
25-27 February, UNESCO, Paris - Workshop to reflect on the Future of the World Heritage Convention

### March

2-4 March, Dar Es Salam, Tanzania – World Heritage Information workshop on preparing draft OUV statements for the African region  
21-25 March, Burgos-Atapuerca, Spain - Human Evolution and the World Heritage Convention - International experts meeting  
25 March, Leuven, Belgium - Launch of the UNESCO Chair on Preventive Conservation, Maintenance and Monitoring of Monuments and Sites, Raymond Lemaire International Centre for Conservation  
26-27 March, UNESCO, Paris - 2001 Underwater Cultural Heritage Convention: First meeting of States Parties

### April

3-8 April, Drakensberg Park, South Africa - International expert meeting on Rock Art and the World Heritage Convention  
6 April, Paris, ICOMOS International Secretariat, France – 2nd meeting of the LAMMS/international NGO's on Convergence Meeting  
16-17 April, UNESCO, Paris - UNESCO 181 Executive Board Meeting: Committee on International Non-Governmental Organisations  
19-24 April, Hiroshima, Japan - 6th Workshop on the management and conservation of World Heritage Sites  
22-24 April, Havana, Cuba – World Heritage - Indicators for urban areas in Latin America and the Caribbean  
22-23 April, Glasgow, Scotland - Digital Documentation 2009  
28-29 April, Rome, Italy - ICCROM Bureau meeting

### May

11 May, Paris, France – Meeting of the International Committee of the Blue Shield  
11-29 May, Almaty, Kazakhstan – World Heritage Workshop on the Silk Road  
12-13 May, Strasbourg, France - Steering Committee for Cultural Heritage and Landscape (CDPATEP): 2nd plenary session  
14-16 May, Ravello, Italy - Council of Europe, Climate Change and Cultural Heritage workshop  
14-17 May, Haus der Wannsee-Konferenz, Berlin - International Coalition of Sites of Conscience - European Workshop - Memory and Dialogue Programs on Prejudice, Exclusion, and Violence  
18 May, UNESCO, Paris – Information Meeting for members of the World Heritage Committee  
27 -29 May, Paris, France - 2nd Protocol of the Hague Convention: 4th meeting of the States Parties  
29 May, UNESCO, Paris - World Heritage nominations of the Rock Art in Central Asia

### June

2-5 June, Meknès, Morocco - World Heritage Periodic Reporting - Arab States: sub-regional workshop  
2-3 June, Siem Reap, Cambodia - 18<sup>th</sup> Session of the International Coordination Committee for Angkor  
8-12 June, International Council on Museums (ICOM): Advisory Council Meeting  
9 June, Charenton, France – Conseil d'orientation scientifique et culturel pour la Médiathèque de l'architecture et du patrimoine – projet Charenton  
14 - 22 June, Paris, France – General Assembly of Vieilles Maisons Françaises  
21 June, UNESCO, Paris – Information Meeting for members of the World Heritage Committee  
22-30 June, Sevilla, Spain – 33<sup>rd</sup> Session of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee  
25 - 26 June, St. John International University, Turin, Italy - Protecting the cultural heritage: from risk to security

### August

23-27 August, Milan, Italy - IFLA: 75th General Conference and Assembly of the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA)

### September

2 September, UNESCO, Paris - Extraordinary meeting of the Committee for the protection of cultural property in the event of armed conflict  
4 September, Paris, France – Meeting of the International Committee of the Blue Shield  
7-9 September, UNESCO, Paris - World Heritage Advisory Bodies meeting  
7-23 September, UNESCO, Paris - UNESCO: Executive Board 182nd session

8-11 September, Quito, Ecuador - OVPM/OWHC 10th World Congress  
 9-10 September, UNESCO, Paris - UNESCO: Committee on International Non-Governmental Organizations of the UNESCO Executive Board  
 10-11 September, UNESCO, Paris – World Heritage Periodic Reporting - Africa: Mentor's meeting  
 10-12 September, Udine-Trieste, Italy, International Conference Italy – Latin America: Conservation, stewardship, and use of cultural heritage – reflections and proposals 40 years after the “Normas de Quito”  
 25 to 28 September, Yangzhou, China - 3rd World Canal Cities Expo & Canal Cities Mayors' Forum  
 28 September-2 October, Abu Dhabi, UAE – UNESCO Intangible Heritage Convention - 4<sup>th</sup> Session of the Intergovernmental Committee

## October

6-23 October, UNESCO, Paris - UNESCO: 35th General Conference  
 7-11 October, Montreal, Canada - Religious houses: a legacy  
 8-9 October, Malmö/Alnarp, Sweden - Eighth Council of Europe meeting of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention - Landscape and Driving Forces  
 21-23 October, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil - 46th World Congress of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA), Green Infrastructure High performance landscapes  
 22 October, UNESCO: World Heritage Thematic Programme on Prehistory  
 23-28 October, UNESCO, Paris - UNESCO: 16th session General Assembly of States Parties

## November

2-7 November, Maupiti, Polynésie française – World Heritage workshop for Pacific countries  
 3-6 November, Xi'an, China - First Meeting of the Coordinating Committee on the Serial World Heritage Nomination of the Silk Roads  
 3-5 November, Rome, Italy - ICCROM: 78th Council meeting  
 5-9 November, Paris, France – Salon international du Patrimoine  
 6-7 November, Ljubljana, Slovenia - Council of Europe – International Conference on “Rehabilitating our common heritage”  
 10-12 November, Chexbres, Switzerland – World Heritage Training and Capacity Building meeting  
 11-12 November World Heritage Forum Korea.  
 12-14 November, Tirana, Albania – World Heritage Thematic expert meeting on Mediterranean pastoralism  
 14-17 November, Acre, Israel – World Heritage Disaster Risk Reduction Workshop  
 17-18 November, Bahrain - Workshop on World Heritage procedures,  
 19-20 November, Barcelona, Spain – International Seminar on Landscape and Education organised by the Landscape Observatory of Catalonia  
 20 November, Paris, France - World Heritage Rock Art in Central Asia Meeting  
 22-28 November, Rome, Italy – ICCROM: 76th Meeting of Council, 77th Meeting of Council, 26th Session of the General Assembly  
 23-25 November, UNESCO, Paris – 1954 Hague Convention: Third Meeting of the Parties to the Second Protocol; Eighth meeting of the High Contracting Parties  
 26-28 November, Buenos Aires, Argentina – World Heritage Periodic Reporting for Latin America and the Caribbean  
 30 November – 2 December, UNESCO, Paris, International Conference of NGOs  
 November, Kumano Hongu, Japan – 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary International Forum on Sacred Sites and Pilgrimage Routes in the Kii Mountain Range.

## December



President Araoz presenting ICOMOS at the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary International forum in Kumano Hongu, Japan, November 2009

1-2 December, UNESCO, Paris - UNESCO Underwater Cultural Heritage Convention: 2nd meeting of States Parties  
 3 December, The Hague, Netherlands - 3rd meeting of the LAMMS/international NGO's on Convergence Meeting  
 7-8 December, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil - UNESCO: Historic Urban Landscapes meeting  
 8-9 December, Rabat, Maroc - Euromed Heritage IV: Third Legal Workshop on the rehabilitation of historic towns and neighbourhoods  
 14-16 December, Bahrain: UNESCO: Workshop on "Decision-making procedures of the World Heritage Committee"

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