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ICOMOS is important – It is one of the world's unique non-political organisations. Under the authority of the World Heritage Convention of 1972, it sets out a model for global co-operation in defining and managing World Heritage. ICOMOS engages, values, interprets and respects the achievements of all cultures. It identifies, through operational guidelines, the outstanding universal values and achievements found in our world. It respects cultural difference and diversity. It brings together best practice for managing both the tangible and intangible values of monuments, groups of buildings and sites. I want to help ICOMOS as a member of the Board to advance its multicultural and ethical purposes.

Intangible values -Having a long interest in anthropology, intangible values and the management of a great multi-professional firm, I recognise the importance of respecting intangible values. I see how they should play a part in all planning and management. I wish to promote this awareness in ICOMOS.

Holistic understanding -Throughout my professional career, I recognise that to resolve environmental challenges we have to understand the whole problem and its tangible and intangible

realities, before constructing appropriate plans. ICOMOS has a role to advise through its holistic understanding and skills in project management, supported by the research and understanding of its Scientific Committees. The Board could encourage specific research and detailed guidance from its SCs Advisory Committee. I would like to assist the Board to achieve an enhanced corporate purpose and product through the ISCs, National Committees, and without limiting their individual purposes.

ICOMOS part in a globalising world - I want to listen and contribute to the wisdom of the Board in building the global future. Our budgets are tight. Many services and activities are underfunded and voluntary. We have to demonstrate ICOMOS's universal importance, widen our membership, and improve our marketing, in realising the opportunities of the modern world.

Enlarging membership - ICOMOS has not had the resource to drive the programmes, policies and products required to attract a wider and better paying membership. UNESCO subsidies and support from the State parties are essential, but it is dangerous to rely on the present inadequate financial models. The solution may be through:- the professionalism of our services; better governance and codes of conduct, thus creating visible authority. Reputation encourages wider membership. Membership grows with better marketing. I hope to contribute to Board's thinking on this subject.

Realising the potential of our membership - I was commissioned by Past President Gustavo Araoz in 2010 to complete the database begun by Gilles Nourissier. Only the accounting and membership registration is completed. We have an entirely private database, but the benefits of membership and the extensive abilities and experience of members are not yet apparent. Finding skills to build the right specialist team is essential. A database accessible to the membership would enable skills to be discovered. A database should only be searched by paid up members, within the codes of GDPR, thus attracting wider fee-paying membership. This would enhance ICOMOS global potential. We should continue the database development.

The historic environment is tangible and intangible, and this must be understood in all development -The past has to be combined with the future, whether in industry, planning, regulation, and management at every level of government. In all development, past values have to be understood and integrated into building our future. In the last 55 years ICOMOS has achieved much in alerting the world to the appreciation of the past, and its relevance to the future. I would like to see ICOMOS, helping parallel institutions or on its own, strengthening the inclusion of the past in building the future. What other international organisation can do so?

ICOMOS responsibility - The many National Committees and regional groupings of ICOMOS are a great foundation for open global co-operation. I would like to see greater co-operation between the NCs of all countries. ICOMOS-UK has been very successful at promoting better understanding with our neighbouring countries. This should be encouraged between NCs world-wide. Globalisation is built on reconciling and accepting diversity.

Communications- today we have remarkable opportunities to enhance our inter-cultural understanding through enhanced communications. I would like to see that the Board addresses these opportunities squarely. Over 28 years I have built up many international friends both outside and within ICOMOS and would like to focus my strengths on building a future of co-operation.

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Major clients have been the World Bank, IADB, ODA, DfID, Royalty, English Heritage, churches.

I have led conservation and reuse projects, and development of national and local policies in many countries: Tunisia, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, Calcutta, Bangladesh, Myanmar, China); and developed or managed many WHS: The Great Wall, Imperial Palace Shenyang, Li-Jiang, Qufu, Leshan Buddha, Shibam, Sa'na, Zebid, Ad-Dariyah, Petra, Wadi Rum, Carthage, Dougga, Bridgetown and Garrison, Paramaribo.

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ICOMOS is a very important global organisation the importance of which is not fully realised. In this age of IT and instant communications there are opportunities to guide our policies and to be realised. Leadership starts with the President and his Executive. I would hope to participate as a member.

My concerns are:

- Building ICOMOS in a Global environment and increasing membership,
- Building International teamwork,
- Increasing awareness of intangible values, Human rights, and cross-cultural understanding,
- Widening ICOMOS Membership and participation to include all skills: professional, academic, sociological, economic, political
- Strengthening the products of ISCs
- Management of the historic environment and not only WHS.