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## 18 April - International Day for Monuments and Sites

Every year on 18 April, ICOMOS celebrates the “International Day for Monuments and Sites”, whose establishment was approved by the 22nd UNESCO General Conference in 1983. The 2018 theme for the Day is: **Heritage for Generations #heritage4generations**.

### Aim of the International Day

The aim of the **International Day for Monuments and Sites** is to encourage local communities and individuals throughout the world to consider the importance of cultural heritage to their lives, identities and communities, and to promote awareness of its diversity and vulnerability and the efforts required to protect and conserve it.

### 2018 Theme: Heritage for Generations

In 2018, the theme is **Heritage for Generations** led by the ICOMOS Emerging Professionals Working Group.

Sharing stories and the transfer of knowledge between generations is a crucial step in cultural development, characterising the human experience since time immemorial.

“The youth of today are the leaders of tomorrow” – Nelson Mandela

The ICOMOS International Day for Monuments and Sites Day 2018 seeks to celebrate:

- **Inter-generational transfer of knowledge:** engagement across the global community to emphasize the importance of knowledge exchange between generations to promote the ICOMOS ethos for the conservation and protection of cultural heritage;
- **Youth leadership:** Emerging Professionals in each country will take the lead in organising events that focus on reaching the younger members of the wider public community by showcasing the creative use of social media.

Information on events will be shared on social media as a central communication strategy of this year's International Day for Monuments and Sites - share the photos and videos of your events.

[Click here to read more on the ICOMOS website.](#)

[Download the 18 April 2018 leaflet - in English - French - Spanish](#)

### Events calendar

Please inform the ICOMOS International Secretariat on planned 18 April events at the **latest by 15 March 2018** so that we can publish them on the ICOMOS website and share your activities among the members of the world-wide ICOMOS family.

Please send the information to: [calendrier@icomos.org](mailto:calendrier@icomos.org) using the format below (please use short sentences to enable a concise presentation and mention “18 April event – your country” in the email subject line):

#### Title of your event

Who? **Organizers**

What? **Short presentation of the event**

When?

Where? **Country, town, address**

Official contact

Official website

Attachments: Poster / leaflet



Tweet and Facebook your events with the hashtags **#heritage4generations #ICOMOS**

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