

Draft resolutions for the General Assembly Guidelines for their presentation

Over the years, the number of draft resolutions submitted to the General Assembly has increased significantly and their content ranges from site specific issues to doctrinal matters and covers also proposals for new programmes and activities.

Without putting into questioning the sovereignty or the rules of the General Assembly, but rather to preserve the authority and credibility of ICOMOS, it appears necessary both to first verify information submitted with regards to draft resolutions related to specific sites or monuments, and secondly to examine the impact in terms of human and financial resources of the draft resolutions before their submission to the General Assembly. This working method was proposed at meetings of the Advisory Committee in October 2009 (Valletta, Malta) and 2010 (Dublin, Ireland).

The Ad hoc Resolutions Committee set up in accordance with article 24-A of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly, will check the facts presented in site specific draft resolutions in close co-operation with those who submitted the draft prior to the General Assembly. A revised format of the Heritage Alert Template will be used to that effect.

Programmatic draft resolutions will be examined in terms of their impact on human and financial resources, in accordance with article 44 of the Rules of Procedure. In order to give them the best chances to succeed, the resources needed and their provenance need to be specified in the draft resolution.

ICOMOS members and Committees wishing to submit draft resolutions linked to issues at site specific draft resolutions or draft resolutions on new programmes and activities are therefore invited to forward them as soon as possible to the International Secretariat at AG2011-resolutions@icomos.org, and preferably by 27 May 2011 (first deadline).

ICOMOS members and Committees might wish to consult the resolutions adopted at previous General Assemblies available on the ICOMOS website at www.international.icomos.org/agindex.htm.

In order to facilitate the work of the Resolutions Committee during the General Assembly, ICOMOS members and Committees are encouraged to send their draft resolutions in advance, e.g. **By 27 September 2011 (second deadline).**

Draft resolutions must be submitted in English and/or French, in electronic format (preferably .rtf format). Additional version in Spanish are welcome.