

18th General Assembly of ICOMOS
Florence, Italy
9 to 14 November 2014

Resolutions of the General Assembly

18GA Agenda item 2 Opening of the General Assembly

Vote of thanks

Resolution 18GA 2014/01

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Congratulates with gratitude ICOMOS Italy for the successful hosting of the 18th General Assembly;

Thanks The President of the Italian Republic, the President of the Council of the Italian Republic, the Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities and Tourism, the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, and UNESCO; as well as the Region of Tuscany, the Province of Florence, the Municipality of Florence, the ITA Italian Trade Agency, the Italian National Commission UNESCO, for their support;

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In memoriam

Resolution 18GA 2014/02

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recognizes the significant contribution to the work of ICOMOS of the following members who have passed away and **expresses** condolences to their families and National and International Scientific Committees:

Mr Alejandro Alva Balderrama (Peru); Mr Louis Bergeron (France); Mr John Brine (Australia); Ms Nesreen Bouza (Syria); Mr Mario Coyula Cowley (Cuba); Mr Georges Corvington (Haiti); Ms Iva Mikl Curk (Slovenia); Mr Hiroshi Daifuku (USA); Mr Salvador Diaz-Berrio Fernández (Spain - Mexico); Mr Tomáš Durdík (Czech Republic); Mr Henryk Dziurla (Poland); Mr Marc Ewen (Luxembourg); Ms Ágnes Ferenczyné Varga (Hungary); Mr Enrico Fodde (ISCEAH); Mr Satoshi Ihara (Japan); Mr Masao Katagiri (Japan); Ms Siri Myrvoll (Norway); Ms Svetlana Popovic (USA); Prof. Mario Federico Roggero (Italy); Mr Reinhardt Roseneck (Germany); Mr Hidehiko Sazanami (Japan); Mr André Schwachtgen (Luxembourg); Mr James Semple Kerr (Australia); Mr Ahmad Rida "Tata" Soemardi (Indonesia); Mr Herb Stovel (Canada); Mr Sondre Svalastog (Norway); The Honorable Russell E. Train (USA); Mr Augusto Carlos Da Silva Telles (Brazil); Mr Luo Zhewen (China);

18GA Agenda item 3 Organisation of the sessions

18GA Agenda item 3-2 – Attendance and quorum

On 9 November 2014, 725 ICOMOS members were registered for the General Assembly. Some additional members have registered since then, for which final figures were not available at the Technical Opening. As to the number of voting members, the exact figures are to be determined by the Credentials Committee.

At the Technical Opening of the General Assembly on 9 November 2014 at 9:30, the requisite quorum of one third of all voting members calculated in accordance with article 6-b and as indicated in article 9 could not be ascertained.

Following provisions in article 9, the deliberations of the General Assembly are therefore valid, irrespective of the number of voting members present, 24 hours after its opening, starting from 10 November 2014 at 9:30 am.

18GA Agenda item 3-3 – Election of the Chairperson, 3 Vice-Chairpersons, the Secretary and the Rapporteur of the 18th General Assembly

Resolution 18GA 2014/03

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS **elects** as:

Chairperson: Mr Maurizio Di Stefano (Italy)

Vice-Chairperson: Ms Angela Rojas (Cuba), Mr Oluremi Funsho Adedayo (Nigeria), Mr Sharif Shams Imon (Bangladesh)

Secretary: Ms Dominique Fort-Schneider (France)

Rapporteur: Ms Vanicka Arora (India) and Mr Christophe Rivet (Canada)

18GA Agenda item 3-4 – Adoption of the Agenda

Resolution 18GA 2014/04

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS **adopts** its Agenda with the following amendments:

5 Elections

5-1 Report of the Credentials Committee

5-2 Report of the Candidatures Committee

5-3 Presentation of the candidates for election

5-4 Elections of:

- President, Secretary General, Treasurer General of ICOMOS
- Five Vice-Presidents of ICOMOS
- Twelve members of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS

6 Statutory matters

6-1 Site of ICOMOS Headquarters

6-2 Review of the Ethical Commitment Statement (Ethical Principles)

6-3 Amendments to the ICOMOS Statutes

6-4 Authorisation to request recognition of public benefit

18GA Agenda item 3-5 – Appointment of the members of the Credentials, Candidatures and Resolutions Committees, and of the Teller and at least two Assistant Tellers

Resolution 18GA 2014/05

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS **appoints** to the:

- **Credentials Committee:** Ms Marianne Knutsen (Norway) as Chairperson, and Ms Ana Paula Amendoeira (Portugal), Ms Natalia Turekulova (Kazakhstan), Mr Abdoul Sow (Senegal), Mr Mustapha Khanoussi (Tunisia), Mr Mario Aguilar Ferrada (Chile), Mr Leonard de Wit (ICLAFI), Ex-officio: Ms Laura Robinson, Treasurer general ;
- **Candidatures Committee:** Mr Gergely Nagy (Hungary) as Chairperson, and Ms Jenny May (New Zealand), Mr Alpha Diop (Mali), Mr Saleh Lamei (Egypt), Ms Ofelia Sanou (Costa Rica), Ms Riin Alatalu (Estonia), Ms Iclal Dincer (Turkey);
- **Resolutions Committee:** Mr James Reap (USA) as Chairperson, and Ms Nabuko Inaba (Japan), Mr Luigi Petti (Italy), Ms Marcela Hurtado (Chile), Mr David Thackray (UK), Mr Hervé Barré (France), Mr Lassana Cissé (Mali),

Mr Abdelati Lahlou (Morocco), Ms Marie-Sophie de Clippele (Belgium), Ms Kristal Buckley (ex-officio from the Executive Committee);

- **Tellers and Assistant Tellers:** Mr Thijs Maarleveld (Denmark) and Ms Susan Barr (Norway) as Tellers, and Mr Lorenzo Berg (Chile), Ms Carmen Daly (Venezuela), Ms Claudia Felipe Torres (Cuba), Ms Patricia Green (Jamaica), Mr Melvin Campos (Costa Rica), Ms Edlira Caushi (Albania), Mr Martin Cernansky (Czech Republic), Ms Branka Sekaric (Serbia), Ms Su Su (Myanmar), Mr Hajeedar Abdul Majid (Malaysia), Ms Ratsamee Rattanachaiyanont (Thailand), Mr Arash Boostani (Iran), Mr Nizar Al-Adarbeh (Jordan), Mr Salman Al-Mahari (Bahrain), Ms Wided Arfaoui (Tunisia), Mr Khalid El Harrouni (Morocco), Mr Kokou Assiobo Tipoh (Togo), Mr Charles Akinde (Nigeria) as Assistant Tellers.

18GA Agenda item 4 Reports on the triennium

18GA Agenda item 4-4 – Approval of the reports and accounts and discharge of the Executive Committee

Resolution 18GA 2014/06

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Approves the reports by the President, Secretary General and Treasurer General;

Further approves the accounts and **discharges** the Executive Committee.

18GA Agenda item 5 Elections

18GA Agenda item 5-1 – Report of the Credentials Committee

Resolution 18GA 2014/07

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Adopts the report of the Credentials Committee, according to which 73 National Committees present at the General Assembly carry voting rights, 432 voting members are present and, including the proxies, 931 ICOMOS members are expected to vote.

18GA Agenda item 5-2 – Report of the Candidatures Committee

Resolution 18GA 2014/08

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Adopts the report of the Candidatures Committee, according to which the following candidates shall be eligible by the General Assembly for the offices indicated:

For the position of President

Mr Gustavo Araoz, United States of America

For the position of Secretary General

Ms Kirsti Kovanen, Finland

For the position of Treasurer General

Ms Laura Robinson, South Africa

For the position of Vice President

Mr Jae-Heon Choi, Korea

Mr Alfredo Conti, Argentina

Mr Pierre-Antoine Gatier, France

Mr Toshiyuki Kono, Japan

Mr Gideon Koren, Israel
Mr Peter Phillips, Australia
Mr Grellan Rourke, Ireland

For the Executive Committee

Mr Nils Ahlberg, Sweden
Ms Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias, Greece
Mr Stefan Belishki, Bulgaria
Ms Amel Chabbi, United Arab Emirates
Mr Francesco Caruso, Italy
Mr Victor Fernandez Salinas, Spain
Ms Pamela Jerome, United States of America
Mr Rohit Jigyasu, India
Ms Lu Qiong, China
Mr Christoph Machat, Germany
Mr Alberto Martorell, Peru
Ms Olga Orive, Mexico
Mr Mario Santana Quintero
Mr Lazar Sumanov, Macedonia

18GA Agenda item 5-4 – Election of President, Secretary-General, Treasurer General, Vice-Presidents and the Executive Committee of ICOMOS (Election results)

Resolution 18GA 2014/09

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Elects Mr Gustavo Araoz, United States of America, as ICOMOS President;

Elects Ms Kirsti Kovanen, Finland, as ICOMOS Secretary General;

Elects Ms Laura Robinson, South Africa, as ICOMOS Treasurer General;

Elects

Mr Alfredo Conti, Argentina
Mr Toshiyuki Kono, Japan
Mr Gideon Koren, Israel
Mr Peter Phillips, Australia
Mr Grellan Rourke, Ireland
as ICOMOS Vice-Presidents; and

Elects

Mr Nils Ahlberg, Sweden
Ms Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias, Greece
Mr Stefan Belishki, Bulgaria
Ms Amel Chabbi, United Arab Emirates
Mr Victor Fernandez Salinas, Spain
Mr Pierre-Antoine Gatier, France
Ms Pamela Jerome, United States of America
Mr Rohit Jigyasu, India
Ms Lu Qiong, China
Mr Christoph Machat, Germany
Ms Olga Orive, Mexico
Mr Mario Santana Quintero
as Members of the Executive Committee.

**18GA Agenda item 6
Statutory Matters**

18GA Agenda item 6-1 – Site of ICOMOS Headquarters

Resolution 18GA 2014/10

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling article 2 of the ICOMOS Statutes as amended by the 5th General Assembly on 22 May 1978;

Referring to the work done by the former Secretary General Bénédicte Selfslagh, the Executive Committees and the International Secretariat in 2009-2014 and reported to the 17th General Assembly and to the Advisory Committee meetings of 2012 and 2013 on the premises to be shared with the Médiathèque de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine in a historic building in Charenton-le-Pont;

Considering that the move was necessary to meet the growing needs of the International Secretariat in terms of working space, the archive and documentation, and that the rental contract expired in February 2014;

Validates the move of the ICOMOS headquarters from Paris to Charenton-le-Pont located in the greater Paris region (Grand Paris).

18 GA Agenda item 6-2 – Review of the Ethical Commitment Statement (Ethical Principles)

Resolution 18GA 2014/11 (see Annex 1 for the full text of the Ethical Principles)

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling its resolutions 17GA 2011/10 and 17GA 2011/11;

Noting that the review of the 2002 Ethical Commitment Statement has been conducted by the Merged Working Group consisting of the Working Group established by resolution 17GA 2011/10 and members designated by the Executive Committee;

Having considered the progress reports of the Merged Working Group and the results of the two consultations of the ICOMOS members and Committees;

Having examined the proposed "ICOMOS Ethical Principles" prepared by the Merged Working Group, as well as its explanatory report and the recommendations contained therein;

Taking into account the decision of the Executive Committee to endorse the proposed ICOMOS Ethical Principles;

Taking into account the recommendation of the Advisory Committee to the General Assembly to adopt the proposed ICOMOS Ethical Principles with the understanding that the generic term "conservation du patrimoine culturel" shall replace "préservation du patrimoine culturel" to ensure consistency with the French version of the Statutes;

Recalling that a special information meeting on the review of the Ethical Commitment Statement and the amendment of the ICOMOS Statutes has been organised on 11 November 2014 within the framework of the 18th General Assembly;

Adopts by acclamation the attached ICOMOS Ethical Principles, as proposed; the ICOMOS Ethical Principles shall replace the Ethical Commitment Statement (2002); compliance with these Principles shall constitute a statutory condition of membership and participation in ICOMOS;

Requests the Executive Committee to ensure that the Ethical Principles be properly communicated to the members and Committees, and be given a preeminent place on the ICOMOS website and in the Handbook of the members;

Invites the National and International Scientific Committees to communicate about and increase awareness of the ICOMOS Ethical Principles;

Further invites the National Committees to translate the ICOMOS Ethical Principles into their national language(s) and to set up co-operations with Committees from the same language group(s);

Invites the National Committees and, where none exist, the International Secretariat, to use a membership application form whereby applicants confirm that they have read the ICOMOS Statutes and Ethical Principles and signify their agreement to adhere to them.

18GA Agenda item 6-3-1 – Voting on the draft resolution on the amendment of the ICOMOS Statutes

Resolution 18GA 2014/12

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Taking into account the fact that during the last three years a revision of the Statutes and of the Ethical Commitment Statement was prepared in compliance with the statutory process for such modification;

Recognizing that due process of information and of consultation was followed during these past three years offering many possibilities for individual members and Committees to make comments and suggest amendments that could be examined seriously;

Taking into account that the proposed text distributed to all members of the General Assembly in compliance with the statutory procedure is the result of a democratic process and forms a consistent unity, which cannot be amended without renewed serious examination to ensure its consistency is maintained, and that such an examination is not possible during the debate in the General Assembly without harming the consistent character of the proposed text;

Decides to vote on the draft resolution as proposed jointly by the Merged Working Group on Statutes and the Executive Committee of ICOMOS, and as reviewed and approved by the Advisory Committee, without further amendments, keeping in mind that any recommendations adopted by the current General Assembly, plus additional suggestions for improvements, can be brought forward for consideration at the 2017 General Assembly.

18GA Agenda item 6-3-2 – Amendment of the ICOMOS Statutes

Resolution 18GA 2014/13 (see Annex 2 for the full text of the new ICOMOS Statutes)

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling its resolutions 17GA 2011/10 and 17GA 2011/42;

Noting that the proposals to amend the ICOMOS Statutes (1978) have been prepared by the Merged Working Group consisting of the Working Group established by resolution 17GA 2011/10 and members designated by the Executive Committee;

Having considered the progress reports of the Merged Working Group and the results of the three consultations of the ICOMOS members and Committees;

Having examined the proposal for the amendment of the ICOMOS Statutes, as well as the explanatory report prepared by the Merged Working Group and the recommendations contained therein;

Taking into account that the proposal for the amendment of the ICOMOS Statutes is a joint proposal by the Merged Working Group and the Executive Committee;

Taking into account the recommendation of the Advisory Committee to the General Assembly to:

- a **Adjust** the proposal to allow Past ICOMOS Presidents to attend the meetings of the Board, as is currently the practise;
- b **Clarify** that the annual General Assembly is the continuation of the annual meeting of the Advisory Committee thus inducing no additional costs in comparison with the current system, understanding that the only change in operation is that the body that considers the annual accounts and budget and adopts them, is called the General Assembly;
- c **Clarify** the election procedure, in particular with a view to ensure that candidates declare from the outset their willingness to take up the position of the ICOMOS President, Treasurer, Secretary General and Vice-Presidents;
- d **Clarify** that the counting of the number of terms will be done in continuation with the current system and counts;
- e **Ensure** that the meaning of terms used in the French and English versions is consistent;

Recalling that a special information meeting on the review of the Ethical Commitment Statement and the amendment of the ICOMOS Statutes was organised on 11 November 2014 within the framework of the 18th General Assembly;

Adopts by a two-thirds statutory majority the attached amended ICOMOS Statutes, as proposed and sent to the members, with the following clarifications and corrections:

- a **Pursuant to resolution 18GA 2014/10, in article 2:** “Le siege de l’ICOMOS est à Paris Charenton-le-Pont, dans la région parisienne” and “The ICOMOS Headquarters is in Paris Charenton-le-Pont, in the Paris region.”
- b **Pursuant to resolution 18GA 2014/11, change the title of the Ethical Principles** throughout the Statutes as follows: “Principes éthiques ~~pour les membres~~ de l’ICOMOS - “ICOMOS Ethical Principles for ICOMOS members””;
- c **French version, article 3-a:** invert “préservation” and “conservation” and use “conservation du patrimoine culturel” as umbrella term throughout the text;
- d **French version, article 3-e:** replace “conservation” by “préservation”;
- e **Article 5-b,** “les candidats à l’adhésion de l’ICOMOS en tant que membre individuel, membre institutionnel ou affilié, doivent soumettre (...)” and “All candidates for ICOMOS individual, institutional and affiliate membership, must submit (...)”;
- f **French version, Article 6-b,** last paragraph, 1st line, insert: “Les membres (...)”;
- g **English version, Article 9-a-4,** 2nd line, insert : “to another voting member”;
- h **Article 9-d-4,** insert: “y compris les orientations pour le montant des cotisations des membres et membres bienfaiteurs” and “including the guidelines concerning the dues of the members and benefactor members”;
- i **Article 9-d-6:** include the last part of article 9-d-7 by inserting: “Tous les trois ans, recevoir les recommandations du Symposium scientifique international, et approuver, le cas échéant, des textes doctrinaux et recevoir un rapport sur les Principes éthiques de l’ICOMOS;” and “Every third year, receive the recommendations of the International

Scientific Symposium and, approve doctrinal texts as appropriate and receive a report on the ICOMOS Ethical Principles;

- j **Article 9-d-7:** delete the last part by ending the sentence after “association”;
- k **Articles 9-d-8 and 9-d-10:** start with “Tous les trois ans” - “Every third year”;
- l **French version, article 9-d-10,** replace “désignés” by “présentés”;
- m **French version, article 10-a,** last paragraph, insert: “Le Conseil d’administration peut”;
- n **French version, article 11-c:** “la présence d’au moins la moitié des membres est nécessaire ~~présent ou représentés-~~” ;
- o **Article 11-e,** last sentence, insert: “Les anciens Présidents de l’ICOMOS reçoivent le titre de Président honoraire et peuvent assister aux réunions du Conseil d’administration, à titre consultatif et sans droit de vote.” and “Past Presidents of ICOMOS shall receive the title ‘Honorary President’ and may attend the meetings of the Board in a non-voting advisory capacity.”;
- p **Article 13-d-2:** Insert “Mettre en œuvre les décisions de l’Assemblée générale et le Programme général d’action de l’ICOMOS, et coopérer avec les Comités scientifiques internationaux” and “Implement the decisions of the General Assembly and the ICOMOS General Programme, and cooperate with the International Scientific Committees”;
- q **Article 13-3, 2nd line:** delete “nouveaux” and “new”;
- r **Article 14-d-2:** Insert “Mettre en œuvre les décisions de l’Assemblée générale et le Programme général d’action de l’ICOMOS, et coopérer avec les Comités nationaux” and “Implement the decisions of the General Assembly and the ICOMOS General Programme, and cooperate with the National Committees”;
- s **French version, article 16-c-10, 3rd line,** insert: “prochaine période triennale”;
- t **Articles 23 and 24:** use the terms “Assemblée générale extraordinaire” and “Extraordinary General Assembly” throughout;

Confirms that:

- a The amended ICOMOS Statutes shall enter into force on 1 January 2015;
- b In 2015, the General Assembly to adopt the annual accounts and budget shall be held in conjunction with the Advisory Committee, at no extra cost;

Entrusts the ICOMOS President to undertake, with the support of the International Secretariat, all necessary steps in relation to the amendment of the Statutes, including their transmission to the membership and to the ICOMOS partners, the uploading on the website and the updating of the Members’ Handbook by the 1st of January 2015;

Taking into account articles 9-d-7, 10-d-10 and 22 of the amended ICOMOS Statutes related to the ICOMOS Rules of Procedure;

Endorses the recommendation of the Merged Working Group to integrate in the ICOMOS Rules of Procedure a set of common rules to conduct the meetings of international statutory bodies as well as the Dubrovnik-Valetta Principles for the National Committees and the Eger-Xi’an Principles for the International Scientific Committees, which have proven to be effective;

Requests that the ICOMOS Rules of Procedure shall:

- a **Spell out** the election procedure, in particular with a view to ensure that candidates declare from the outset their interest and willingness to take up the position of the ICOMOS President, Treasurer, Secretary General or Vice-Presidents ;
- b **Recall** that the longest continuous term of service allowed as member of the board, elected or officio, is 9 years or 3 terms, and thus that the number of terms under the 1978 Statutes and under the 2014 Statutes will be added;

Requests the ICOMOS Board to prepare such consolidated ICOMOS Rules of Procedure for adoption by the General Assembly in 2017;

Further requests the ICOMOS Board to present a first outline of the ICOMOS Rules of Procedure to the Advisory Committee in 2015, consolidated Draft Rules in 2016, and to organise consultations of the membership when necessary;

Having considered the additional recommendations contained in the report submitted by the Merged Working Group for the third consultation;

Decides to transmit them to the relevant ICOMOS bodies for inclusion and consideration within their work plan.

18GA Agenda item 6-4 – Authorisation to request recognition of public benefit

Resolution 18GA 2014/14

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling its resolutions 17GA 2011/10 and 17GA 2011/17;

Having considered the progress reports of the Merged Working Group on the amendment of the ICOMOS Statutes;

Recalling that the ICOMOS Statutes as amended by the current General Assembly are consistent with the model statutes for associations of 'public benefit' in France;

Taking into account the report by Ms Bénédicte Selfslagh, Co-chair of the joint Statutes Working Group, in the name of Mr Gustavo Araoz and on behalf of the 2011-2014 Executive Committee, on the status and procedure of the recognition of public benefit;

Authorises the President of ICOMOS to submit a request for recognition of public benefit to the French Ministère de l'Intérieur;

Invites the President of ICOMOS to present a follow-up report to the next General Assembly;

Further invites the Board and the International Secretariat, to examine other possibilities with regard to donors, partnerships, skills-based sponsorship, and tax incentives.

18GA Agenda item 7 Reports and conclusions of the Scientific Symposium

18GA Agenda item 7-3 – Scientific Symposium: Conclusions and Resolutions

Resolution 18GA 2014/15 (see Annex 3 for the full text of the Declaration)

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Having noted the reports by the Chairs and Sub-theme Chairs of the 18th General Assembly Symposium : "Heritage and Landscape as human values"

Adopted the "The Florence Declaration on Heritage and Landscape as Human Values - Declaration on the Principles and Recommendations on the Values of Cultural Heritage and Landscape in Building a Peaceful and Democratic Society" (working title);

Requests that the Executive Committee, National and International Scientific Committees, and International Secretariat ensure the wide dissemination of the Declaration among the ICOMOS membership and beyond.

18GA Agenda item 8 Proposals for the next triennium

18GA Agenda item 8-2 – Conferring of Honorary Membership

Resolution 18GA 2014/16

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Confers Honorary Membership on:

Ms Kristal Buckley, Australia
Mr Jukka Jokilehto, Finland
Mr William J. Murtagh, United States of America
Mr Eugenio Pérez Montás, Dominican Republic
Ms Angela Rojas, Cuba
Mr Carlos Scheltema, The Netherlands
Mr Giora Solar, Israel
Mr Augusto Villalon, Philippines
Mr Zsolt Visy, Hungary
Mr Dionysis Zivas, Greece
Mr Roberto Di Stefano, Italy (posthumously)
Mr Herb Stovel, Canada (posthumously)

18GA Agenda item 8-3-1 – Proposed ICOMOS Triennial Programme 2015-2017

Resolution 18GA 2014/17

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling that proposals for activities and ideas for the new ICOMOS Triennial Programme 2015-2017 were announced to Presidents of the National Committees and the Scientific Council, and Executive Committee members on 14 September 2014;

Noting that replies were received prior to and during the session of the Advisory Committee on 7 November 2014 from various representatives of National and International Scientific Committee and the Executive Committee;

Considering that the Advisory Committee, having examined the document and replies, recommends its adoption, as amended;

Adopts the following as the ICOMOS Work Plan objectives and strategies for 2015-2017:

1 ICOMOS: Active and wider membership links and connections

Objective: Develop our membership base and link public authorities, institutions and individuals to ICOMOS programmes and activities.

Strategies:

- Expand the membership to include a greater number of young professionals;
- Develop awareness-raising programmes for heritage conservation among universities;
- Develop and promote ICOMOS' advisory role in government programmes at all levels (national, state, provincial, local) and NGOs;
- Actively recruit a broader membership, both geographically and in subject specialization;
- Explore possibilities to enlarge institutional membership to governments;
- Develop mentoring programmes to share and build on expertise.

2 ICOMOS: Share research and knowledge of ICOMOS members through facilitating opportunities for active participation in exciting and solid partnerships

Objective: Using the knowledge of our membership and partner institutions, develop cultural heritage-related knowledge and expertise through research and projects, and the creation of participatory structures that allow all members to contribute and use these through publications, information systems and training.

Strategies:

- Establish and maintain Memoranda of Understanding with other leading organizations in the conservation of cultural heritage e.g. ICCROM, ICOM, IUCN, ICA, Blue Shield, IFLA, UIA, universities etc. to develop and implement on-going research and other programmes;
- Provide platforms for sharing knowledge through the ICOMOS website e.g. the Heritage Toolkit and the members-only section of the ICOMOS website;
- Actively promote the ICOMOS Open Archive in a multilingual context and provide support for a dynamic ICOMOS Publishing programme to support the scientific programme and to include, inter alia, a broad methodology and funding, and anonymous peer-review;
- Enlarge existing translation groups (English, French, German, Spanish) and encourage the establishment of new ones to disseminate information to the widest possible readership;
- Employ social media to foster communication amongst ICOMOS members and increase knowledge sharing;
- Seek publishing partnerships and sponsorships to support the publications programme;
- Continue the creation of joint programmes for improved tools and capacity building in the framework of the World Heritage Convention.

3 ICOMOS: Leaders in cultural heritage conservation

Objective: Reaffirm the role of ICOMOS as the paramount advocate for the conservation of cultural heritage in the world.

Strategies:

- Continue to strengthen our role in providing impartial and objective advice in a timely manner to the World Heritage Committee;
- Be "at the right time in the right place" in the intellectual debate, be pro-active rather than reactive in the provision of expert advice;

- Strengthen ICOMOS's capacity to provide advice in relation to all cultural heritage sites affected by disasters, development proposals and the like;
- Continue to support programmes for improved tools and global approaches to increase awareness and capacity building in heritage conservation, such as rights-based approaches to heritage management and links between nature and culture;
- Streamline ICOMOS evaluation methods and processes for the provision of advice related to World Heritage matters and ensure greater transparency;
- Continue the creation of an Upstream Assistance Unit in ICOMOS, in the context of the World Heritage Convention.

4 ICOMOS: A strong network of technical expertise to benefit society

Objective: Enhance the ability of the full network of ICOMOS to provide assessments and technical assistance - identify heritage trends and provide technical assessments and cooperation - use cultural heritage knowledge and expertise for the benefit of society – share awareness on heritage issues throughout the world.

Strategies:

- Encourage the development of National Scientific Committees corresponding to International Scientific Committees to harness and develop the full expertise of the ICOMOS membership in accordance with the Dubrovnik-Valletta Principles;
- Encourage the widest possible participation of the ICOMOS membership in all current ICOMOS work plans and programmes;
- Actively identify current areas of professional discussion, research and activities, and maintain intellectual debate on heritage issues;
- Develop cross-disciplinary programmes, events and activities by the International Scientific Committees;
- Drawing on the Gilles Nourissier membership database, develop an active programme for technical assessments and missions, which draws upon ICOMOS' specialist expertise in the widest sense.

5 ICOMOS: Realizing full organizational potential

Objective: Develop and ensure a greater organizational and institutional capacity for ICOMOS.

Strategies:

- Implement effective governance;
- Encourage a culture of leadership development within ICOMOS and ensure that positions of leadership within ICOMOS are regularly renewed;
- Reinforce the International Secretariat with improved management systems;
- Engage the membership to a much greater degree to support ICOMOS' mission;
- Promote the Ethical Principles, including through the National and International Scientific Committees;
- Investigate and take action on dormant, restrictive or non-functional National and International Scientific Committees;
- Strengthen regional groups by fostering their internal development programmes;
- Explore the possibilities offered by the 'affiliate' membership category and the recognition of 'benefactor members' and establish mechanisms for a world-wide membership campaign;
- Provide assistance and interventions, when necessary, to continue to raise the credibility of all National and International Scientific Committees.

Authorizes the incoming Executive Committee for 2015-2017 to further elaborate the programme and determine a strategy for its implementation.

18GA Agenda item 8-3-2 – Budgetary guidelines for 2015-2017

Resolution 18GA 2014/18

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling the report of the Treasurer General on the financial situation of ICOMOS;

Referring to the draft budgetary guidelines for 2015-2017 as circulated, and which received the support of the Executive Committee and Advisory Committee;

Mindful of the challenges facing the long-term financial sustainability of ICOMOS, and

Understanding that the budget has been developed on the assumptions that:

- a number of new positions have been identified and are required to be established in order to fulfil the programme for the coming triennium;

- there will be a reduction in income due to the fact that there will be no subvention from the Ministry of Culture and the Ville de Paris following the move of the International Secretariat to Charenton;
- the income received as a result of our work in support of the World Heritage Convention may only be estimated at this stage;
- the increase in membership fees has been approved;

Decides to adopt the budgetary guidelines for the period 2015-2017.

18GA Agenda item 8-4 – Membership dues for 2015-2017

Resolution 18GA 2014/19

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Referring to the presentation made by the Treasurer General regarding the challenges facing the financial sustainability of ICOMOS;

Mindful of the need to ensure the financial sustainability of ICOMOS in the next triennium;

Decides to adjust the membership fees as from the beginning of 2016 as below:

- Individual members: a raise of 5 (Five) Euros across all categories of membership;
- Institutional members: a raise of 30 (Thirty) Euros.

18GA Agenda item 8-5 – Delegation to the Executive Committee to implement the programme in the framework of annual budgets

Resolution 18GA 2014/20

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS **delegates** to the Executive Committee the further development of the programme and budget for 2015 into work programmes within the framework of the annual budget.

18GA Agenda item 8-6

Heritage at Risk (resolutions on site related matters)

Resolution 18GA 2014/21 – Resolution for the safeguarding of cultural heritage in Syria and Iraq

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Noting with significant concern, the tragic impact of the on-going armed conflict in Syria since March 2011, which has led to a grave loss of every type of cultural heritage in Syria, including old cities, historical monuments, archaeological sites and collections;

Taking into account that all six World Heritage properties in Syria are now inscribed on UNESCO's "World Heritage in Danger" list, and that other cultural properties of the World Heritage Tentative List have been heavily looted or damaged, and hundreds of other built heritage structures in historic cities and villages, including those with national and local cultural values, have sustained irreversible damage and theft;

Considering also the conflict situation in Iraq and lack of respect for the international principles for the protection of cultural heritage, including the deliberate destruction of places of worship and other cultural symbols belonging to people from different ethnic and religious backgrounds;

Noting with great concern that to date three million Syrians have fled the country and six million Syrians have been internally displaced due to the ongoing conflict, and more than one million Iraqis have been forced to leave their homes because of the recent crisis, which has significantly and adversely affected the protection and safeguarding of cultural heritage;

Recalling ICOMOS' statements of July 2012, September 2012, March 2013, July 2013, and August 2013 on cultural heritage in Syria, Egypt, Libya and Tunisia, and the serious concern for the continued intentional and planned destruction of cultural heritage places and symbols frequently belonging to minorities, including Sufi, Christian and earlier heritage, in the Middle East and North Africa;

Taking into account that because of these dramatic events, the cultural richness and diversity in Syria and Iraq is also seriously in danger;

Fearing that large-scale hasty demolition and reconstruction works may threaten the authenticity and integrity of the heritage if no adequate guidelines for restoration, rehabilitation and planning are readily made available;

Acknowledging the role of ICOMOS, its Syrian and regional members, its International Scientific Committee on Risk Preparedness (ICORP), and particularly the ICOMOS « ad hoc » Working Group for Syria and Iraq, in monitoring the situation of cultural heritage in these countries, in informing the media, in providing assistance to local authorities, in participating in the definition of international programmes and its pioneering initiative of conducting distance training for Syrian cultural heritage professionals in 2013, using state-of-the-art communication technology;

Considering the partnership of ICOMOS with UNESCO in its project for Emergency Safeguarding of Syrian Heritage and its plan for Safeguarding of Iraq's Cultural Heritage;

Requests the Executive Committee to continue to respond to the cultural tragedy in Syria and Iraq by tasking the ICOMOS Working Group on the safeguarding of the cultural heritage in Syria and Iraq, in cooperation with UNESCO and other international and national partners, and with the support of ICORP, to coordinate the activities of ICOMOS related to fostering cooperation and exchanges, monitoring, awareness raising, communication, training, assisting and planning for the safeguarding of cultural heritage in Syria and Iraq, as long as the present conflict and its subsequent consequences continue.

Resolution 18GA 2014/22 – Internationales Congress Centrum Berlin (ICC Berlin)

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling previous initiatives and actions of ICOMOS, DoCoMoMo, UIA and other partners over the last two decades on “Preserving the Recent Past”;

Considering that the “Internationales Congress Centrum Berlin (ICC Berlin)” is an exceptional late modern building at the Berlin trade fair and congress site situated close to the Berlin Radio Tower (Funkturn) and the broadcasting centre (Haus des Rundfunks) by Hans Poelzig;

Recognizing that the “Internationales Congress Centrum Berlin (ICC Berlin)” is acknowledged by Georg Dehio's “Handbuch der Deutschen Kunstdenkmäler” (Handbook of German Monuments of Art) as a landmark of post-war German architecture and acknowledged by the Berlin State Heritage Council (Landesdenkmalrat) as a historic property of European Significance;

Considering that this historic property is an important example of “Gesamtkunstwerk” between Pop Art and Brutalism including the intact interior design of the 1970s;

Regretting that the “Internationales Congress Centrum Berlin (ICC Berlin)” has been closed since March 2014;

Expressing its concern that plans for adaptation of the structure will result in substantial adverse impact on the significant interior fabric;

Encourages the German and Berlin authorities to implement the legal protection as recommended by the Berlin State Heritage Council and to preserve the property including its significant interior spaces;

Urges institutions responsible for the maintenance and future uses of the building to address its neglect and develop plans for re-use that are compatible with the significance of the building.

Resolution 18GA 2014/23 – Conserving the Heritage of Russian Avant-garde

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling numerous international appeals calling for the safeguarding of the outstanding universal values of the Russian architectural Avant-garde, including resolutions by the 15th and 17th ICOMOS General Assemblies, unanimously approved in Xi'an (2005) and Paris (2011);

Considering the Heritage Alert actions on Melnikov House and Shukhov Tower in Moscow issued by the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on 20th Century Heritage (ISC20C) in 2013;

Calls upon the Executive Committee to formally address the Russian authorities once more on these matters, drawing their attention to the urgent necessity of:

- halting the demolition of this internationally significant architectural and historical layer;
- providing top-level federal listing to these important heritage resources;
- ensuring the application of internationally approved conservation standards;

- taking urgent steps for the safeguarding and scientifically based restoration of internationally renowned Russian modernist treasures such as Shukhov Tower (V. Shukhov, 1919-1922), Melnikov House (K. Melnikov, 1927-1929) and Narkomfin Building (M. Ginzburg et al, 1928-1930) in Moscow.

Resolution 18GA 2014/24 – Conservation and management of Valparaíso and Chiloé World Heritage Sites

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling that, according to the decisions of the World Heritage Committee and the expert advice of ICOMOS (including at the 38th session of the World Heritage Committee, Doha, 2014), two of the six World Heritage properties in Chile - the Historic Quarter of the City of Valparaíso and the Churches of Chiloé - experience a variety of threats and pressures to their values, including urban and architectural projects that are not compatible with their cultural heritage values;

Considering the need for improved monitoring of these World Heritage properties;

Noting that the concepts and mechanisms outlined in the UNESCO Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape (2011) are potentially beneficial for the future management and conservation of Valparaíso and Chiloé, and could enhance public policy frameworks and development processes;

Noting that in its work as an Advisory Body to the World Heritage Committee, ICOMOS will continue to work cooperatively with national and local authorities to improve the state of conservation of Valparaíso and Chiloé;

Encourages the relevant national and local authorities to continue their constructive dialogue on the conservation and management of these World Heritage properties, with the cooperation of ICOMOS Chile.

Resolution 18GA 2014/25 – Conservation of the cultural landscape of the Burrup Peninsula in Dampier Archipelago, Australia

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recognising that the Dampier Archipelago (including Burrup Peninsula), Australia, is of outstanding heritage significance for its unique cultural landscape of immense cultural and spiritual significance, including in situ rock engravings that have inseparable associations with the Aboriginal people of the Murujuga group;

Noting that due to industrial development on the Dampier Archipelago, many organisations have expressed concern about the protection of the cultural heritage of this area, including the World Monuments Fund which included the Burrup Peninsula in its Watch list of the world's 100 most endangered heritage places in 2003;

Recalling that despite damage to around 21.5% of the Burrup Peninsula by industrial activity since the 1960s, the unaffected area was entered in the National Heritage List in 2007 and a boundary covering 90% of the remaining rock art was delineated;

Noting with concern that zoning for industrial expansion areas by the Western Australia Government comprises areas within the area included in the National Heritage List;

Noting that, although the area has not been included in the World Heritage Tentative List for Australia, the Australian Heritage Council found in 2012 that the cultural landscape of the Dampier Archipelago including Burrup Peninsula could potentially meet one or more criteria for inclusion in the World Heritage List;

Encourages the Australian national and state authorities to continue to work with the Murujuga Corporation on issues of conservation and management of the cultural landscape, and to establish effective monitoring and protection of the cultural heritage of this landscape, including rock art sites.

Resolution 18GA 2014/26 – Rescue of the Roşia Montană mining landscape and promotion of a sustainable development model

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling resolution 13GA 2002/20 of the 13th General Assembly (Madrid, 2002), resolution 14GA 2003/1b of the 14th Extraordinary General Assembly (Victoria Falls, 2003), the resolution of the ICOMOS Conference, held in Pécs, Hungary, 22-27 May 2004, the ICAHM Statement on the mining concept at Roşia Montană, issued in Lyon, France, at the European Archaeological Association Conference on 9 September 2004, resolution 15GA 2005/8 of the 15th General

Assembly (Xi'an, 2005), resolution 16GA 2008/4 of the 16th General Assembly (Quebec, 2008) resolution 17GA 2011/22 of the 17th General Assembly (Paris, 2011) and the resolution of the ICOMOS Executive Committee (San José, 2013);

Recalling all actions undertaken by ICOMOS and its Romanian National Committee to bring a resolution to this conflict and an international recognition of this exceptional archaeological and cultural landscape associated to historical mining activities;

Taking into consideration that additional statements of concern have been issued by official, scientific and professional institutions and bodies, and by several NGOs and religious communities;

Noting the lack of reaction by the Romanian Government with respect to the above mentioned repeated calls issued by international and Romanian professionals and civil society;

Noting with satisfaction that in 2013 the Romanian Parliament rejected, by an enormous majority, the bill on the mining project at Roșia Montană as proposed by the Romanian Government;

Considering that this democratic reaction opens the way for a new approach to the recovery of the socio-economic conditions in the area, based upon the protection, rehabilitation and enhancement of the natural and cultural heritage of the locality and of the region of Roșia Montană;

Taking into account the decision of Europa Nostra to include Roșia Montană in the list of Europe's most endangered monuments and sites and, consequently, its commitment to contribute to a new development paradigm for the area, whereby organizations such as ICOMOS can fully participate in the elaboration process;

Affirming once more the outstanding significance of Roșia Montană – the ancient Alburnus Maior, a cultural landscape which evolved over two millennia, from the unique vestiges of the Roman underground mining system, to those of the Middle Ages, Renaissance and Modern times, together with the traditional mining town, inherited from the Habsburg times;

Reiterating its deepest concern about the planned mining operations which, after over a decade of repeated high profile international calls of warning and messages of support for heritage protection as well as national actions in defence of heritage, still threaten Roșia Montană and its surroundings;

Recognising the necessity to launch emergency measures for the salvaging, conservation and restoration of the heritage features of Roșia Montană and for the promotion of a viable, sustainable development model based on the rich cultural and natural heritage resources of the area;

Considering the worldwide relevance of the case of Roșia Montană for so many other historical sites and landscapes under threat from contemporary, large scale, open-cast mining;

Calls again upon all the authorities in charge of the management, protection and conservation of Romania's heritage to reinforce their commitment and ensure that precedence is given to the protection, conservation and enhancement of cultural heritage over industrial and construction pressures, and consequently to implement policies and best practices, in accordance with the provisions of all relevant international charters and international conventions adopted by Romania;

Expresses again its willingness to collaborate with the above authorities and offers them the availability of its professional network to assist them in this work so as to make Roșia Montană a model for the development and application of appropriate policies and practices to the conservation of historic places;

Requests the Executive Committee to establish a working group on Roșia Montană within ICOMOS, formed by representatives of its relevant International Scientific Committees (e.g. Vernacular Architecture - CIAV, Historic Towns and Villages - CIVVIH, Archaeological Heritage Management - ICAHM, Cultural Landscapes - ISCLL), with the task of proposing a plan and a roadmap for the elaboration of a set of principles for the sustainable development of the Roșia Montană area based upon the rehabilitation and enhancement of its cultural and natural assets; such working group will be open to collaborate with and receive contributions from other organizations such as, among others, Europa Nostra and The International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage (TICCIH)..

Resolution 18GA 2014/27 – Follow up to the situation of cultural heritage in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea (Ukraine)

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Considering the situation in Crimea and Eastern Ukraine;

Recalling that the signatories to the Convention on the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage (1972) consider that heritage belongs to humanity as a whole and therefore that the international community should cooperate and create the conditions for its collective protection;

Recalling that cultural heritage sites in Crimea and Eastern Ukraine – among them the World Heritage site of the Ancient City of Chersonesos and its Hora as well as other sites inscribed on the Ukrainian Tentative World Heritage List – are considered as an integral part of the cultural heritage of Ukraine under the protection of Ukrainian law;

Recalling that the above mentioned cultural heritage sites are under the protection of the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict of which Russia and Ukraine are States Parties;

Expresses its deep concern on the issue of the preservation of the cultural heritage in these territories, where armed conflict continues;

Calls upon the world community to unite all its efforts and cooperate for the protection of the Ukrainian cultural heritage, considering that causing harm to this heritage will affect both the humanist spirit of mankind and its cultural diversity;

Requests that the Executive Committee, in close cooperation with UNESCO, ensure the monitoring of the situation of the cultural heritage in the above mentioned territories.

Resolution 18GA 2014/28 – Rescue of the World Heritage site of Machu Picchu

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling that the situation of the World Heritage property of Machu Picchu has been the subject of numerous decisions taken by the World Heritage Committee, with the advice of ICOMOS and International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN);

Noting the complex and continuing pressures on the conservation of the natural and cultural heritage, as well as on sustainable development, that arise from the growth of the town of Aguas Calientes (also known as Machu Picchu Pueblo) and other towns in the buffer zone, such as Santa Teresa;

Noting also the continuing issues with visitor management, particularly the difficulties during peak tourism periods;

Welcoming the plans by the Peruvian authorities to make improvements to the Management Plan for Machu Picchu, and encouraging its prompt implementation;

Noting with interest the initiatives proposed by the national authorities to address these issues, including a new interpretation centre, studies on the visitor capacity of the property, and new approaches to visitor management, although these have not yet been submitted to the World Heritage Centre;

Expresses its concern about pressures that relate to proposed and existing new construction that could potentially impact on the elements of the 'Caminos Inca' within the World Heritage property;

Encourages the national and local government authorities to avoid unplanned new construction within the World Heritage property and its buffer zone, and to continue their cooperation in the establishment of effective management arrangements for Machu Picchu.

Resolution 18GA 2014/29 – Recovery of the de Mayo Square, historic centre of Lima, Perú

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Expressing its solidarity with the Historic Centre of Lima World Heritage Site for the terrible fire affecting one of the most important buildings of the city, located in the surroundings of the Plaza 2 de Mayo;

Expressing its deep concern about the destruction that can be caused by abandonment, fire, water, and other man-made causes;

Taking into account that the fire of the Plaza 2 de Mayo building is not the only case, given that other emblematic buildings such as "Casa del Buque" in the Barrios Altos section of the World Heritage Property were also damaged some years ago;

Considering that this is a specific case where an important listed building in the World Heritage property has seen its legal protection reduced;

Expressing its satisfaction with some projects such as the rehabilitation of Huallaga Street and Lampa Street, but expressing its concern that these remain only partial measures;

Expressing also its satisfaction with the projects undertaken by the District Government of Rimac in terms of urban rehabilitation and the recovery of public spaces;

Noting also the creation of the civic organization “Patronato del Rimac” which is working to recover the historic public spaces in the district;

Requests that the Government of the Republic of Peru, the City Government of Lima, and the Ministry of Culture of Peru take all necessary measures to reactivate the rehabilitation of the Historic Centre of Lima World Heritage Property, including the Barrios Altos and the Rimac Sections.

Resolution 18GA 2014/30 – The Historic Site of the National Garden of Athens, Greece

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling that the National Garden of Athens is an excellent example of urban landscape design, based on the fundamental principles of 19th century European design with a special interest in botanical aspects;

Recalling also that it has been designated as a historic site by the Hellenic Ministry of Culture;

Deploring that in the last 30 years its heritage values have deteriorated;

Encourages the national authorities to restore, promote and further properly manage the National Garden of Athens, following a well-structured scientific study, according to the principles indicated by the ICOMOS Charter on Historic Gardens (Florence Charter, 1981), relevant international conventions, and Greek Law;

Encourages the State to establish a proper long-term programme based on scientific management, so that the National Garden returns to its ideal form, and recovers a viable and sustainable function.

Resolution 18GA 2014/31 – Protection of Cultural Heritage in Relation to Real Estate Development: Rizal Monument, Manila, Philippines

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling the International Charter for the Conservation and Restoration of Monuments and Sites, also known as the Venice Charter, which states, *inter alia*, that “the concept of a historical monument embraces not only the single architectural work but also the urban or rural setting in which it is found, the evidence of a particular development or a historical event” and that “the conservation of a monument implies preserving a setting which is not out of scale”;

Recalling moreover that the Venice Charter provides that “the sites of monuments must be the object of special care in order to safeguard their integrity and ensure that they are cleared and presented in a seemly manner”;

Noting that the monument in the City of Manila to the Philippine National Hero, Dr. José Rizal, whose remains are buried in it and near to the scene of his execution in Luneta Park, has been an enduring, honoured and iconic site for all Filipinos ever since it was inaugurated on 30 December 1913;

Recalling that the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) has issued “Guidelines on Monuments Honouring National Heroes, Illustrious Filipinos and other Personages” which provides the need to “keep vista points and visual corridors to monuments clear for unobstructed viewing appreciation and photographic opportunities”;

Noting with grave concern that construction has begun on a 46-storey residential building located 400 meters from Rizal Park, which may significantly compromise key sightlines of the Rizal Monument and could have detrimental impacts on the heritage values and on the setting of this national monument;

Encourages all national authorities of the Philippines to work in cooperation with ICOMOS Philippines to develop and implement conservation measures for the protection of the Rizal Monument and its setting.

Resolution 18GA 2014/32 – ‘Camino de Santiago’ Motorway: A threat to the World Heritage property of the Route of Santiago de Compostela

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Considering the obligation of States Parties that have signed the World Heritage Convention to preserve the authenticity and integrity of the properties inscribed on the World Heritage List so that their outstanding universal value can be transmitted to future generations;

Recognising that the Route of Santiago de Compostela, proclaimed the first European Cultural Itinerary by the Council of Europe in 1987 and included on the UNESCO World Heritage List in 1993, is potentially threatened by the proposed construction of the A-12 'Camino de Santiago' Motorway, from Santo Domingo de la Calzada to Burgos;

Observing that the proposed motorway could intersect, overlap and thus degrade the Route of Santiago de Compostela and its protected surroundings at numerous points, and particularly in the Montes de Oca hills, an area of great ecological value and outstanding significance in the history of the Jacobean Pilgrimage;

Noting that only one section of the motorway has been built (from Santo Domingo to Grañón) and that the construction work has been halted;

Noting that there is a possible alternative route that does not affect the Route of Santiago de Compostela at any point, which was recommended by the Spanish environmental and cultural authorities, as well as by ICOMOS Spain;

Expresses great concern about these developments and encourages efforts by all relevant authorities in Spain to conserve the authenticity and integrity of the Route of Santiago de Compostela, and to consider the redesign of the project for the A-12 'Camino de Santiago' Motorway in order to avoid impacts on the World Heritage property.

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Other resolutions on heritage issues

Resolution 18GA 2014/33 – Cultural heritage in times of economic crisis: Perspectives and challenges

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Considering the international work of ICOMOS, including through the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, and in order to safeguard and conserve cultural heritage in the current times of economic crisis;

Encourages the development of initiatives such as the establishment of an observatory to monitor Europe's cultural policies and to incorporate professional activities linked to the fields of conservation and restoration within the Creative Europe programmes;

Invites affected ICOMOS National Committees to analyse and monitor issues of governance, budget and financial investments in the sectors of cultural heritage restoration and conservation;

Encourages ICOMOS to explore and establish collaborations with national governments, UNESCO and non-governmental organisations as well as companies that can provide expertise and resources towards the conservation, safeguarding and proper documentation of cultural heritage.

Resolution 18GA 2014/34 – Promotion and Development of Twentieth Century Heritage Guidelines (ongoing development of the Madrid Document)

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling the commitment to and concern of ICOMOS for the identification, conservation and presentation of modern heritage sites of the twentieth century;

Recalling further resolution 17GA 2011/37 of the 17th General Assembly (Paris, 2011) noting the adoption of the document "*Approaches for the Conservation of Twentieth Century Architectural Heritage*" (*the Madrid Document, 2011*) by the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Twentieth-Century Heritage (ISC20C) and its distribution for comment and discussion, including circulation to all ICOMOS National and Scientific Committees;

Noting with satisfaction that, since 2011, the Madrid Document has been made available for use and comment via the ISC20C website and that the international demand for its use led to its translation into thirteen languages including Russian, Italian, Finnish, Mandarin and Hindi, providing an indication of the need for and use of such guidelines;

Noting that ISC20C has carefully considered all the comments received and determined to prepare a more broadly based guideline document that will cover the landscapes and urban ensembles of the twentieth century;

Noting that ISC20C will work closely with the International Committee on Cultural Landscapes (ICOMOS-IFLA/ ISCCL) and the International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH) to ensure that the full breadth of twentieth century heritage will be covered in the new document;

Calls upon the Executive Committee to:

- **Welcome** the publication of the 2014 edition of the Madrid Document by ISC20C, noting that the careful consideration of the comments received through wide circulation has confirmed the established value of the existing text in guiding the conservation of the architectural heritage of the twentieth century;
- **Support** the use and distribution of the 2014 edition of the Madrid Document by National and International Scientific Committees as a fundamental international document to guide the conservation of twentieth century architectural heritage;
- **Encourage** the participation of the National and International Scientific Committees and all ICOMOS members in the ongoing development of the broader version of the Madrid Document, looking toward its presentation at the 19th General Assembly of ICOMOS.

Resolution 18GA 2014/35 – World Rural Landscape Initiative

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Considering that rural landscapes have a holistic and complex character, are key components of the identity of people and their sustenance, and many traditional rural landscapes are the result of sustainable land-use practices often developed over long periods of time;

Considering also that rural landscape practices often respect the natural characteristics of the land they occupy, maintain ecological diversity and preserve their rich cultural diversity;

Acknowledging that the large number of theoretical approaches and operational tools available to deal with the study and safeguarding of the natural and heritage values of rural landscapes reflect the diversity and complexity of technical disciplines, socio-cultural contexts and administrative management requirements of each geographical area;

Noting the need for considering diverse views, so that common management principles can be developed to provide a constructive approach to interventions in rural landscapes and protect their natural and cultural heritage values;

Welcomes the Initiative on World Rural Landscapes, launched by the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes (ISCCL/ICOMOS-IFLA), as a worldwide effort to further their global conservation and management;

Strongly encourages ICOMOS National and International Scientific Committees to participate in this process in order to establish guidelines for the conservation and management of world rural landscapes.

Resolution 18GA 2014/36 – Canberra Declaration on Historic Urban Parks

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS:

Recalling the Charter of Florence on Historic Gardens (Florence, 1981) and the UNESCO Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape (2011);

Considering that the conservation and management of historic urban public parks is a matter of worldwide concern because of the losses of and the threats to this fragile heritage,

Notes with satisfaction the development of the draft text 'Canberra Declaration on Historic Urban Public Parks' (2013) by the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes (ISCCL/ICOMOS-IFLA) and encourages its distribution for comment and further discussion by the ICOMOS National and International Scientific Committees.

Resolution 18GA 2014/37 – Ensuring that culture and cultural heritage are acknowledged in the proposed Goals and Targets on Sustainable Development for the Post-2015 United Nations Development Agenda

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling the Paris Declaration on Heritage as a Driver of Development adopted by the 17th General Assembly of ICOMOS on 1 December 2011, and based on a series of initiatives and actions that have been undertaken by ICOMOS over many years in order to promote the inclusion of cultural heritage in the development process;

Recalling the conclusions of the 17th ICOMOS General Assembly Symposium (Paris, 2011) that heritage - with its value for identity, and as a repository of historical, cultural and social memory, preserved through its authenticity, integrity and 'sense of place' - forms a crucial aspect of the development process; that it is necessary to take up the challenge of conserving this fragile, crucial and non-renewable resource for the benefit of current and future generations; and that

fostering socio-economic regeneration is among the indispensable roles heritage plays in sustainable development and urbanization; increasing the density of urban cores while containing the anarchic spread of new buildings; enhancing tourism benefits by preserving cultural resources as a fundamental asset of long-term tourism development; strengthening social fabric and enhancing social well-being, and enhancing the appeal and creativity of regions;

Recalling resolution 17GA 2011/15 by which ICOMOS and its national and international bodies were requested in particular to “make better known the structural role of heritage as a factor within economic development, social cohesion, the appeal of certain regions and as a means to stimulate growth and reduce poverty”;

Recalling resolution 17GA 2011/27 by which ICOMOS considered “that culture and cultural heritage, its conservation and enrichment, should be declared a major vehicle (the “fourth pillar”) for sustainable development at the next Earth Summit planned in Rio de Janeiro in 2012” and requested “the Executive Committee to offer the full cooperation of ICOMOS to UNESCO and other intergovernmental, international, national organizations in order to implement this recognition effectively in policies, laws, standards and programmes related to heritage and its cultural values”;

Notes with satisfaction the inclusion in the July 2014 Outcome Document, prepared by the United Nations’ Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, of targets for making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable by strengthening efforts to protect and safeguard the world’s cultural and natural heritage; and on promoting sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all by devising and implementing policies to promote sustainable tourism, which creates jobs, promotes local culture and products; while also recognizing that the Outcome Document does not – at this stage – entirely embrace the full potential of culture and cultural heritage;

Requests the Executive Committee to call on the United Nations to recognize the role of cultural heritage specifically, and culture in general, in sustainable development through the explicit inclusion of cultural heritage and culture related targets in the Sustainable Development Goals and the Post-2015 Development Agenda, among others, via a letters to that effect to the United Nations Secretary General and the President of the United Nations General Assembly and by forwarding a copy of this resolution to each States Party mission to the United Nations;

Requests the Executive Committee to demonstrate the support of ICOMOS for the integration of cultural heritage in the Post-2015 Urban Development Agenda, including through recognition that safe, resilient and sustainable cities each have a unique identity and sense of place which protects cultural heritage as key to unlocking creativity, among others, via letters to the World Urban Campaign and UN Habitat;

Requests the Executive Committee to reaffirm the engagement of ICOMOS in supporting UNESCO’s efforts for integrating culture explicitly “as an enabler and a driver of sustainable development” into the Post-2015 Development Agenda, notably in the framework of strategic future Sustainable Development Goals;

Requests the Executive Committee to confirm the participation of ICOMOS to the core group of international networks that promotes the campaign to include culture in the Sustainable Development Goals, recalling that ICOMOS is among the initiators of the letter and the message signed by more than 2000 organizations and individuals, addressed on 10 June 2014 to the Co-chairs of the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals in charge of preparing the Outcome Document of Goals and Targets to be submitted to the UN General Assembly;

Calls on governments to effectively implement in the final Sustainable Development Goals the role for culture recognized in the Outcome Document and calls upon the National Committees of ICOMOS to take urgent action towards their governments for supporting amendments proposed by United Nations Member States, UNESCO and other intergovernmental international and national organizations to give consideration to the prominent role of culture and cultural heritage in sustainable development in the elaboration of the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

Resolution 18GA 2014/38 – Legislative framework for the protection of urban cultural heritage in Peru

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Taking note of the changes introduced in the general legislative framework for the protection of cultural heritage in Peru which are directly affecting the management of Peruvian cultural heritage and, especially, the Peruvian World Heritage sites;

Recalling the Paris Declaration adopted at the 17th General Assembly of ICOMOS, which specifically declares that “The challenge of integrating heritage and ensuring that it has a role in the context of sustainable development is to demonstrate that heritage plays a part in social cohesion, well-being, creativity and economic appeal, and is a factor in promoting understanding between communities;”

Recalling the Resolution 65/166 on Culture and Development, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in February 2011, which strengthened awareness of the prominent role that culture plays in development;

Expressing its concern that recent legislation reduces the participation of the Ministry of Culture in the approval of projects which could affect Peruvian architectural heritage, including in Lima, Arequipa and Cusco World Heritage properties;

Encourages the enhancement of urban heritage conservation capacities within national and local authorities, in order to ensure the effective protection of Peruvian urban cultural heritage in cooperation with appropriate associations and organizations such as relevant ICOMOS International Scientific Committees.

Resolution 18GA 2014/39 – Urban Cultural Heritage Protection in Moldova

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling resolution 16GA 2008/9 of the 16th General Assembly of ICOMOS (Quebec, 2008);

Noting with concern that the historic towns/cities in Moldova are facing increased vulnerability from economic and social changes;

Expresses continuing concern about the urban cultural heritage protection in Moldova;

Encourages national authorities to work with the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee for Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH) to address urban conservation problems, based on relevant international conventions, charters and recommendations.

Resolution 18GA 2014/40 – The Parthenon Marbles: Initiatives to open a dialogue

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling the recommendation of the 19th Session of the UNESCO Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Countries of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriation, and recent discussions facilitated by UNESCO to consider a process of mediation according to UNESCO's Mediation Rules (2010);

Expresses its support for these sensitive and important discussions in order to open a fruitful dialogue involving representatives from Greece and the United Kingdom that could lead to a mutually acceptable solution to the issue of the Parthenon Marbles.

Resolution 18GA 2014/41 – Conserving the heritage of Socialist Realism and Socialist Modernism

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling the joint efforts of ICOMOS, DoCoMoMo, TICCIH and UIA to conserve 20th century heritage and to initiate a world-wide network of cooperation and activity in the field of conservation of modern heritage, including socialist and post-socialist countries, in the last two decades;

Recalling also the Global Strategy for a Representative, Balanced and Credible World Heritage List (1994), and the ICOMOS report *The World Heritage List: Filling the gaps: An action plan for the future* (2004) which identified modern heritage to be an under-represented category of the World Heritage;

Recognizing that the specific contribution of Socialist realism and Socialist modernist buildings, groups of buildings, sites, urban or green spaces and memorials to the global history of 20th century heritage are not yet included in the World Heritage List;

Expressing concern about the lack of public awareness and of maintenance of these under-recognised cultural and historical testimonies of Socialist realism and Socialist modernism in post-socialist countries, and as result the concerning losses of this architectural and urban heritage;

Welcomes the initiative by ICOMOS Poland and ICOMOS Germany to set up a cross-border network to promote an international exchange of expertise on post-war heritage in Central and Eastern Europe and warmly supports the invitation made by the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee for 20th Century Heritage (ISC20C) to all National Committees to initiate local and national identification, conservation, interpretation, listing and protection activities for significant landmarks of socialism on a global level;

Encourages ICOMOS National Committees and International Scientific Committees as well as their cooperating partner organisations to:

- identify and evaluate monuments and sites from the socialist period which should be conserved as part of 20th century heritage;
- raise public awareness for this important aspect of cultural heritage; and

- strengthen the international exchange of information and experiences enhancing the recognition of the heritage of Socialist realism and Socialist modernism.

Resolution 18GA 2014/42 – Travel beyond sustainable tourism: Life Beyond Tourism, Travel for Dialogue

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Recalling that the Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco signed on 4 March 2013 a Memorandum of Understanding with ICOMOS regarding collaboration on scientific activity related to heritage conservation for intercultural dialogue;

Noting that the Fondazione has implemented the “Life Beyond Tourism” philosophy and model for promoting the presentation, interpretation and enjoyment of local cultural identities in order to promote sustainable development;

Noting that the Fondazione established the International Life Beyond Tourism Institute in October 2013 for the implementation of its philosophy and model;

Noting that the Fondazione develops initiatives for intercultural dialogue including “Life Beyond Tourism: Travel for Dialogue”; which advocates travel as personal outreach, and travel as a gift to share with others, to know and to be known, to be open to dialogue, to appreciate and to respect diversity;

Recognising with gratitude that the implementation in Florence of the Life Beyond Tourism Model has allowed a financial support to the Italian National Committee of ICOMOS for organising the 18th ICOMOS General Assembly and Scientific Symposium in Florence;

Considers the Fondazione Romualdo Del Bianco - with its International Life Beyond Tourism Institute - as a partner for familiarising young people in the Fondazione's network with ICOMOS;

Supports the notion and activity of travel to promote dialogue among international youth.

Resolution 18GA 2014/43 – Our Common Dignity: advancing rights-based approaches to heritage conservation

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling resolution 17GA 2011/30 ‘Our Common Dignity: Rights-based approaches to Heritage Management’, and the substantial progress made by the working group established by the ICOMOS Executive Committee in relation to this programme since 2011;

Acknowledging that rights issues, including the involvement of communities, are a growing aspect of the work of international organisations for culture and heritage, and that this is a complex field of work that involves many activities;

Reflecting that while these issues are applicable to heritage conservation processes in many local contexts, the work in this programme has focused on the World Heritage system, due to the potential for positive contributions of the World Heritage Convention in building international understanding of cultural and natural diversity, and the ability to work collaboratively with other organisations to develop robust approaches, including the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN), the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) and the UNESCO World Heritage Centre;

Recognizing the importance of integrating rights concerns into processes and practices for heritage identification and conservation;

Noting that potentially adverse outcomes can occur when heritage processes do not adequately take account of rights concerns;

Supporting the approach taken by the programme to date which has focused on improving awareness and practices within ICOMOS, building relationships, sharing and analysis of case studies and the identification of enabling factors for rights-based approaches to heritage management that can act as a ‘sustainability check’ in all phases of these activities;

Noting with thanks the financial support of the Norwegian Government and the leadership provided by ICOMOS Norway in this work;

Requests that the Executive Committee continue to work on these issues within ICOMOS through the ‘Our Common Dignity’ component of the ICOMOS International Work Plan for 2015-2017, including:

- Reflection on the work completed in the period 2011-2014 and development of work plans that identify next steps and strategies;

- Continued consideration of rights-based approaches in the work of ICOMOS in relation to its role as an Advisory Body to the World Heritage Convention;
- Facilitating continued dialogue within ICOMOS networks to enhance understanding of these matters.

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Other resolutions on organisational matters

Resolution 18GA 2014/44 – Increasing Participation in ICOMOS Meetings through Communication Technology and Other Means

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Bearing in mind the importance of inclusion to the democratic exercise of the activities of the General Assembly and its constituent bodies;

Understanding that the ICOMOS Advisory Committee represents a democratic body that enables individual countries to have a vote and a presence in an international forum which meets annually;

Acknowledging that attending this meeting annually may represent an expense, which for some countries is not affordable;

Bearing in mind that this may exclude some countries on a regular basis;

Acknowledging the impact that such meetings may have on the carbon footprint of the organization and the need to develop a more sustainable and environmentally responsible protocol for information exchange and participation;

Recommends that the Executive Committee takes immediate steps to research and, as far as possible, to use available contemporary and emerging technologies and other means to facilitate the virtual participation of members and National Committees from every region and country at Advisory Committee and General Assembly meetings, and at meetings of International Scientific Committees.

Resolution 18GA 2014/45 - Establishment of a specific label identifying events marking the 50th Anniversary of ICOMOS

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Taking into consideration the celebration in 2015 of the 50th anniversary of the establishment of ICOMOS;

Acknowledging that many National Committees and International Scientific Committees intend to mark this anniversary through a series of events;

Considering that the events marking the 50th anniversary of ICOMOS should add to the public international profile of the organization, and bring new energies to its purposes and goals, and that these goals could be facilitated through the development of a special visual identity for the major and important events to be organized worldwide;

Decides to institute a special label called “ICOMOS 50”, visually composed of the logo of the organization and the words “ICOMOS 50” that will mark and accompany major international events dedicated to the anniversary of ICOMOS in 2015;

Requests the ICOMOS Executive Committee to encourage the use of the label for specific events upon request by the Presidents of National and International Scientific Committees provided the organizers of the events held under the label of “ICOMOS 50” commit themselves to ensuring that the events comply with the highest professional standards and the Ethical Principles of ICOMOS;

Encourages the ICOMOS National and International Scientific Committees to use the “ICOMOS 50” label, and to adapt it for their events by adding the name of their country or committee to the label.

Resolution 18GA 2014/46 - Connecting Practice: supporting integrated approaches to nature and culture

The 18th General Assembly,

Recognizing that in all heritage conservation contexts, nature and culture are not separate domains, and are inextricably intertwined in many places, particularly in cultural landscapes and in many indigenous and non-western cultural contexts;

Recalling the ICOMOS General Assembly Resolution 16GA 2008/28 on a 'Monuments of Nature' initiative, and numerous other ICOMOS resolutions and international and national programmes that relate to sustainability and the intersections of nature and culture;

Noting that ICOMOS and the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) have worked together to develop more integrated practices to natural and cultural heritage in the context of their work as Advisory Bodies to the World Heritage Committee through the 'Connecting Practice' programme as well as sharing possibilities for harmonising assessment and management processes;

Noting also that the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) has worked with both ICOMOS and IUCN to include the need for integrated approaches to nature and culture into the World Heritage Capacity Building program, with the support of the Swiss government;

Noting with thanks the financial support of The Christensen Fund and the national governments of Switzerland and Germany that has made the first stage of this project possible;

Acknowledging that the World Heritage Convention provides a context where new practices can be forged, given that it provides an international instrument for both natural and cultural heritage;

Recognizing that adverse outcomes can occur when heritage processes do not adequately reflect the interrelated character of nature and culture, and that these can intersect with sustainability objectives as well as rights concerns, especially for indigenous peoples;

Noting that the Executive Committee's World Heritage Working Group and the International Scientific Committee for Cultural Landscapes (ISCCL/ICOMOS-IFLA) are actively involved in this programme, and that the ISCCL/ICOMOS-IFLA has begun to develop and share tools and resources on this subject and can provide a focal point for interested International Scientific Committees;

Requests that the Executive Committee continues to advance these issues through the "Connecting Practice – Nature and Culture" component of the ICOMOS International Work Plan for 2015-2017.

Resolution 18GA 2014/47 – Communication of the financial accounts and reports with more transparency before approval

The 18th General Assembly,

Taking into account that, according to the ICOMOS Statutes, the General Assembly is the supreme body of ICOMOS, with the task of approving the financial accounts and the financial report of the Treasurer General, as well as approving the budget guidelines for the three years to come and giving discharge to the Executive Committee;

Taking into consideration the newly adopted ICOMOS Statutes which aim for a greater transparency in financial management and financial accounts;

Noting that the General Assembly is open to all members of ICOMOS;

Requests that the financial accounts and the financial report are distributed to all members of ICOMOS at least three weeks prior to the regular session of the General Assembly;

Calls upon the presentation of financial accounts by the Treasurer General during the regular session of the General Assembly, including an electronic slide presentation or other media containing the detailed figures of the budget of the previous three years as well as the budget for the next three years;

Finally requests that the President of ICOMOS provides, when establishing the agenda of the regular session of the General Assembly, a time for questions and comments for the members of the General Assembly on the financial accounts and the financial report before the approval of the financial accounts and the financial report and before the meeting gives discharge to the Executive Committee.

Resolution 18GA 2014/48 – The ICOMOS Heritage Toolkit

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recognising that the proposed 2015-2017 Triennial Work Plan places emphasis on the need to activate and widen ICOMOS membership, links and connections; share research and knowledge of ICOMOS members through facilitating

opportunities for active participation in exciting and solid partnerships; position ICOMOS as a leader in cultural heritage conservation and as a network of technical expertise to benefit society;

Noting the discussions at the Scientific Council and Advisory Committee meetings supporting the development of an internationally based ICOMOS Heritage Toolkit, this being an on-line reference resource linking benchmark “best practice” documents and case studies as a means of promoting ICOMOS’ strategic objective of sharing new methodologies and approaches to conservation practice, providing accessible information and encouraging open dialogue with practitioners, educators, and students in the various fields of heritage conservation;

Noting that such an international ICOMOS on-line platform will recognize the work being done across the world and simultaneously provide opportunities to improve and advance standards internationally and locally, and will welcome the inputs of all ICOMOS members;

Recalling that the Heritage Toolkit pilot studies undertaken by the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee for 20th Century Heritage (ISC20C) and Australia ICOMOS have demonstrated the potential of this mechanism to be used more widely;

Requests that the mechanisms to further develop the International Toolkit be given priority in the context of the 2015-2017 Triennial Work Plan, to facilitate the establishment of arrangements for collaboration between the Scientific Council and the International Secretariat, and the creation and ongoing maintenance of the on-line pages by the participating International Scientific Committees and National Committees.

Resolution GA2014/49 - World Heritage Upstream Activities

The 18th General Assembly of ICOMOS,

Recalling that, as an Advisory Body to the World Heritage Committee, ICOMOS has been instrumental in the establishment of the World Heritage system, and that its members have made a tremendous investment in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention, through building capacity for the conservation of cultural heritage throughout the world;

Recognizing that the successes of 40 years implementation of the World Heritage Convention, include the spectacular growth of the World Heritage List to more than 1000 properties (many comprising a number of individual sites), the active involvement of 191 States Parties, the expansion of heritage concepts, themes and typologies to include more of the diversity of cultures, and the raising of the profile and visibility of heritage throughout the world;

Requests that the incoming Executive Committee:

- Continue to develop a range of activities that support and advise States Parties, site managers and local communities in furthering their World Heritage objectives through developing opportunities for direct collaboration and dialogue to achieve the aims of the Convention;
- Develop new mechanisms for the work of ICOMOS, as well as supporting institutional changes that can optimise the use of scarce resources – human and financial – in achieving the aims of the Convention;
- Support institutional processes within ICOMOS that might enhance the involvement of the ICOMOS networks in the work of the Convention - including members, National Committees and International Scientific Committees;
- Report on these activities.