

## CANDIDATE FOR THE BOARD CANDIDAT AU CONSEIL D'ADMINISTRATION

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### **PLATFORM / PLATE-FORME / PLATAFORMA**

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I have actively been involved with heritage protection since I joined youth movement "Kodulinn" (Home Town) at the age of 13 and I have followed the same course in different positions through almost all my career.

I joined ICOMOS in 2008 and I have served as Vice-President and President of ICOMOS Estonia NC, I am the member of CIVVIH and current Vice-President of ICLAFI. I consider ICOMOS as a perfect platform of international cooperation, exchange of ideas and experiences. Therefore, I have personally organized and contributed and taken part in regional and thematic international activities, especially promoting regional cooperation between Nordic and Baltic countries. The last of the kind was the ICLAFI/Nordic/Baltic conference "Historical Perspective of Heritage Legislation. Balance between Laws and Values" in October 2017 followed by ICLAFI annual and Nordic/Baltic meetings. The conference and meeting attracted participants from 20 countries.

In 2009-2013 I was a member of Estonian Delegation to World Heritage Committee and as I am mostly interested in daily administration and protection of heritage I was responsible for the item of state of conservation reports.

I am currently working as an associate professor in Estonian Academy of Arts Heritage Conservation and Restoration Department, thus in charge of training motivated young professionals. My earlier positions include responsible jobs in heritage administration also coordinating international funding programs.

Running for the position in the Board of ICOMOS I plan to use my experience and knowledge to improve the status of heritage and of the international heritage protection community. I am convinced that it is important to respect as well as to challenge from the diversity of traditions, habits and regulations to safeguard heritage as a common privilege.

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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Coordinator of several programmes like European Heritage Days; campaign of Estonian National Heritage Year 2013, etc.

Numerous articles, several peer-reviewed publications.

Selection of publications:

Anu Seidla, Riin Alatalu. *Boris Dubovik: "Vanalinn, minu lemmik!". Vana Tallinn muinsuskaitse pilgu läbi (Boris Dubovik: "Old Town, my Favourite!". Old Tallinn through the eyes of conservator)*. Tallinn 2017.

*Tegusa muinsuskaitse eellugu. Võitlus Tallinna arhitektuuripärandi eest 1944-1958 Backstory of Active Heritage Conservation. Fight for the Preservation of the Architectural Heritage of Tallinn in 1944-1958*. Vana Tallinn 27 2016, p 135-159.

*Muinsuskaitse siirdeühiskonnas 1986-2002: rahvuslikust südametunnistusest Eesti NSV-s omaniku ahistajaks Eesti Vabariigis (Heritage Protection in Transitional Society. From Nation's Conscience in the Estonian SSR into the Harasser of Private Owner in the Republic of Estonia)*, Estonian Academy of Art, Tallinn 2012, Ph.D. dissertation.

*Responsible Local Communities in Historic Inner City Areas. World Heritage. Benefits Beyond Borders*, Cambridge University Press 2012.

*Kõnelevad majad (Talking Houses). Study-book on heritage for children*, Tallinn 2009.

*Vanalinnade kaitsetsoonid Eesti NSV-s. Linnasüdamete säilitamine totaalkaitse meetodil. (Conservation Zones in Estonian SSR. Total Defence – Advantage or Disadvantage of Soviet Heritage Protection System)*, Kunstiteaduslikke uurimusi, 2009 18/3-4, p 79-98.