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Message from the President

For some time now the Members of ICOMOS have been saying that they would like to be kept more closely in touch with the various activities of ICOMOS. The Executive Committee has therefore decided to publish this News Letter every four months in order to give Members brief and up-to-date information on:

(i) Recent Meetings organized by ICOMOS or held under our auspices
(ii) Meetings planned for the following months
(iii) ICOMOS publications
(iv) Activities of ICOMOS National Committees throughout the world
(v) ICOMOS participation in the work of other international organizations
(vi) Meetings arranged by other bodies with similar or complementary aims to ICOMOS

and on other subjects of interest, such as international campaigns for conservation etc. Space will also be set aside for Member's suggestions, which are welcomed. More detailed information on any of these topics is available to Members on request from the Secretariat in Paris.

It may be appropriate for me to remind Members in a few words of the spirit which animates our activities. The work of ICOMOS is aimed at all those people who are concerned, in whatever capacity, with the shaping of the environment in which we live, and which we shall hand down to those who follow. We have seen in our time how uncontrolled expansion and ill-considered redevelopment have all too often destroyed the character of our towns and villages. ICOMOS was brought into being because of our conviction as to the vital importance to any nation or people of its cultural heritage. The preservation of this heritage is an essential condition for any flowering of the human spirit. That is the reason why we must all strive for the creation of a habitat where men can live in peace and harmony and enjoy the benefits of physical and moral well-being.

PIERO GAZZOLA
President of the International Council on Monuments and Sites
Consultative and Executive Committees of ICOMOS
They will hold their annual Meeting in Paris on 29 & 30 November, 1973.

I. New Committees, formed in 1972-1973

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Antigua Guatemala

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Chairman: Mr. Masaru SEKINO
Director of Tokyo National Research Institute of Cultural Property
13-27 Ueno Park, Taito-Ku, TOKYO

II. Existing Committees:

France
The French National Committee has been reorganized as an Association under the Law of 1901, with the name "Section Française de l'ICOMOS", domiciled with the ICOMOS International Secretariat at the Hôtel Saint Aignan:

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Damascus

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The United States Committee for ICOMOS has decided to reorganized itself under a corporate charter, in order to facilitate fund-raising, receipt of legacies, etc.

Unesco/ICOMOS Documentation Centre
The Unesco/ICOMOS Documentation Centre, which existed only on paper as little as two years ago, is now almost ready to begin operations. The functions of the Centre were described in a letter sent on 26 June 1972 by the Director-General of Unesco, Mr. René MAHEU, to all Member States, appealing for support:

"At the present time there is no national or international organization covering the different types of information required in respect of historical monuments and natural sites. The new Documentation Centre thus reflects an urgent and universally recognized need.

Plans for the Centre have been prepared by ICOMOS under contract with Unesco and in consultation with an international committee of eminent specialists and with a number of specialized institutions, including the Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Conservation of Cultural Property in Rome.

The Centre will collect information and publications and furnish data to Member States, institutions and specialists on technical and legal problems
involved in preserving and developing sites and monuments. To that end it will:

(a) establish a collection of references (with, if possible, the shelf-locations in the libraries where the documents can be found),
(b) prepare descriptive notes to these references,
(c) provide an on-call service as required,
(d) publish periodically a selective bibliography,
(e) arrange for translations to be undertaken as required.

The Centre will not itself serve as a research centre. Nor will it initiate "primary" (first-hand) documentation (i.e. compile card-indexes of references to documents, or descriptive notes, digest or abstracts of them), except where this helps to complete information received.

The ICOMOS Executive Committee decided in December 1972 that the Documentation Centre should start operations the following year on a scale consistent with our means, while the Chairman of the National Committees continued their efforts to persuade their respective governments to help sponsor the Centre by financial aid or by gifts in kind. Some of these efforts have already borne fruit, and thanks to a subvention of $ 12,000 from Unesco, the Centre is indeed able to start operations this year: a member of the ICOMOS Secretariat has been transferred to its permanent staff, and Dr. Hans Foramitti, of the Austrian Foreign Office, has with his government's agreement, been appointed its first Technical Director.

Apart from a subvention and a gift of equipment from Unesco, the Centre has received valuable (and greatly valued) support:

- the Caisse Nationale des Monuments Historiques, Paris, has given 5,000 Francs (in addition to the expenses already borne by the Directorate of Architecture of the French Ministry of Cultural Affairs in preparing the Centre's premises in the Hôtel Saint Aignan and installing the mobile shelf-units donated by Unesco).

- the United States National Committee is attempting to obtain from a U.S. Government source the micro-photographic equipment sought by the Centre for the indexing storage, retrieval and reproduction of information.

- the Austrian Government has promised an annual sum to the Centre equal to 0.5% of its contribution to Unesco.

Many National Committees have undertaken the regular supply of relevant periodicals, abstracts, bibliographies and other publications from their countries. Much, however, remains to be done. The active support of all National Committees is a pre-requisite for the success of the Centre. (Further information available from the Secretariat on request.)

ICOMOS Secretariat - Paris

On 4 June Mr. Piers Rodgers, formerly personal assistant to the present Governor of the Bank of England, took up the appointment of Director of the Secretariat of ICOMOS.

Mrs Pascale Cartault, Administrative Secretary of ICOMOS since 1965, has taken over special responsibility for Documentation Centre (see above).
Numbers IX and X of MONUMENTUM will appear before the end of the year.

- Number IX will contain articles by Friedrich Mielke (on preventive measures in environmental protection); by L. de Vliegher (on the restoration of monuments in Rumania); by Janusz Lehmann (a contribution to the study of the effectiveness of consolidation work on stones); by James Pitch (on environmental aspects of the preservation of historic urban areas); and by Winston Weissman (on the restoration of James Bond's mid-XIXth century Laing Stores building, New York).

- Number X will be a special issue devoted to the conservation of historic buildings in Spain.

Subscribers paying in US Dollars are requested to pay by Dollar cheque (to be sent to the editorial office at Louvain) in order to save bank charges.

Recent ICOMOS Meetings
organized by ICOMOS or held under ICOMOS auspices since IIId General Assembly (Budapest, June 1972)

September 11 - 16, 1972 International Symposium on the Deterioration of Stonework
La Rochelle, France
Organized by the Centre de Recherches Oceanographiques
With the collaboration of ICOMOS

September 22 - 24, 1972 Symposium on the Scandinavian Town
Sandefjord, Norway
Organized by the Scandinavian National Committee of ICOMOS

October 9 - 13, 1972 "Coloquicomo" 72"
Mexico City
On the Reanimation of historic cities in accordance with the Charter of Venice
Organized by the Mexican National Committee of ICOMOS
in conjunction with the Department of Architecture and the Directorate of Colonial Monuments of Mexico

November 25 - 30, 1972 First International Symposium on the conservation of monuments built of unbaked brick
Yazd, Iran
Organized by the Iranian National Committee of ICOMOS
in conjunction with the Iranian Ministry of Culture and Arts and The Rome Centre

October 9 - 13, 1972 Third Meeting of International Committee for Architectural Photogrammetry
Zurich/Fribourg/Sion, Switzerland

April 28 - May 3, 1973 Meeting of experts to discuss problems of conservation of monuments belonging to more than one culture, with special reference to the Cathedral-Mosque of Cordoba
Cordoba, Spain
Organized by the Municipality of Cordoba in conjunction with the Spanish National Committee of ICOMOS
May 3, 1973
Symposium on the application of Photogrammetry to the conservation of monuments
Tongeren, Belgium
Organized by the Provincial Gallo-Roman Museum of Tongeren in conjunction with the Belgian National Committee of ICOMOS

June 17-22, 1973
International Symposium on "The Streetscape in Historic Town-Centres"
Lausanne, Switzerland
Organized by the Swiss National Committee of ICOMOS

Forthcoming Meetings to be held by ICOMOS or under ICOMOS auspices

September 3 - 8, 1973
Symposium on the Protection of Historic Town Centres and the problems of adapting them to new uses in Socialist countries
Vilnius, Lithuania
Organized by the Russian & Czechoslovak National Committees

October 3 - 10, 1973
International Symposium on the Protection and Reanimation of Historic Villages threatened by the development of towns and industry and by the abandonment of traditional methods of agriculture
Thessaloniki, Greece
Organized by the Greek National Committee in conjunction with the Technical Chamber of Greece

October 29-November 4, 1973
Granada, Spain
Planned by ICOMOS and IFLA (International Federation of Landscape Architects)
Practical organization by the Spanish National Committee of ICOMOS

September 28-29, 1973
Meeting of the International Committee for Architectural Photogrammetry
Florence, Italy
(Members of ICAP only)

Calendar of Meetings organized by other bodies

March 12-17, 1973
International Union of Official Travel Organizations
New Delhi, India
International Symposium: "Planning for Tourism"

April 11-13, 1973
Municipality of Maastricht
Maastricht, Netherlands
Symposium on the Restoration of the Stookstraat District

April 21-26, 1973
American University in Cairo, Ein Shams
Cairo, Egypt
"Recent advances in the Science and Technology of Materials"

April 28-May 1, 1973
Civitas Nostra
Métz, France
"L'environnement au coeur de la ville"

June 13, 1973
Centre Scientifique et Technique du Bâtiment
Grenoble, France
Symposium on the effects of sonic booms on historic monuments
June 12 - 22, 1973
Geneva, Switzerland
United Nations Organization, First Session of the Council of Administration of the UN Environmental Programme

June 15-17, 1973
Geneva, Switzerland
World Assembly of Non-Governmental Organizations dealing with Environmental problems

June 25-29, 1973
Lausanne, Switzerland
International Union of Local Authorities 21st World Congress: "The Age of Leisure"

July 4-7, 1973
Zurich, Switzerland
Europa Nostra / Council of Europe Conference to Launch European Architectural Heritage Year 1975

September 3-8, 1973
Granada, Spain
International Committee for the History of Art Symposium

September 6-8, 1973
Lübeck, Germany
International Federation for Housing and Planning Symposium on the Conservation of Historic Sites in the context of Urban Renewal

September 9-14, 1973
Copenhagen, Denmark
International Federation for Housing and Planning World Congress: "The Structure of Local Authorities and the Planning of the Local Environment"

September 9-16, 1973
Burgundy, France
IBI - International Institute for Historic Castles

September 10-15, 1973
Stuttgart, Germany
Société Internationale de Photogrammétrie 34th Photogrammetry Week

September 17-22, 1973
Lomé, Togo
International Union of Architects Seminar for architects, planners and students from the countries of tropical Africa

September 22-26, 1973
Lucca, Italy
Società Italiana per la Fotogrammetria International Symposium

September 24-30, 1973
Bucarest, Romania
"Integration of existing architectural values into contemporary town-plans"

September 23 - October 3
Zurich, Switzerland
Association Internationale des Urbanistes Congress: "Integration and Segregation in Urban Land Uses"

October 12-13, 1973
Linz, Austria
International Institute for Historic Castles (IBI) General Assembly

November 5-10, 1973
Mexico City, Mexico
Latin-American Centre of Studies for the Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Property, and International Centre for Conservation, Rome Regional Seminar on problems of conservation in Latin America

November 26-27, 1973
Copenhagen, Netherlands
Europa Nostra and European Travel Commission Seminar "Working together - Tourism and Conservation"

December 3-11, 1973
Lagos, Nigeria
Unesco Regional Round-Table on Museum Development

December 10-20, 1973
Jogjakarta, Indonesia
Unesco, Intergovernmental Conference on Cultural Policies for Asia

December 17-21, 1973
Tel Aviv, Israel
3rd World Congress of Israeli Engineers & Architects "Dialogue for Development - national resources and human resources"
Exhibitions

2 April to 24 June, 1973 How to play the Environment Game, Hayward Gallery London.

30th May to 31st August 1973 "Le Compagnonnage vivant" Paris, Hôtel de Sully

30 May to 4 November Palladio Exhibition, Vicenza
TITRES - TITLES

Colloque sur le Centre de Documentation, Conference on the ICOMOS Documentation Centre, Bruxelles/Brussels 13-15.XII.1966

Premier colloque sur l'étude de la conservation, de la restauration et de la réanimation des ensembles historiques, Catedra - Espagne 15-19.III.1967

First conference on the protection and revivification of centres of historic or artistic interest, Caen - France 15-19.III.1967

Colloque sur l'altération de la pierre, First conference on the alteration of stone, Bruxelles/Brussels 1966-1967 - Belgique/Belgium vol. I et II

Etude sur la photogrammétrie appliquée aux monuments historiques, Application of photogrammetry to historic monuments, Saint Mandé, France 1968

Deuxième colloque sur l'étude de la conservation, de la restauration et de la réanimation des ensembles historiques, Second conference on the conservation, restoration and revival of areas and groups of buildings of historic interest, Tunis/Tunis 9-16.IV.1968 Tunisie/Tunisia.

Colloque sur les problèmes que pose l'humidité dans les monuments anciens, Conference on the problems of moisture in historic monuments, Rome 11-14.X.1967 Italie-Italy.

Colloque sur les monuments et la société, Symposium on monuments and society, Leningrad - URSS 2-8.IX.1969


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