

CIVVIH ANNUAL MEETING – Valetta, 2010

Minutes - Bureau meeting

Participants: Ray Bondin, Saleh Lamei, Samir Abdulac, Michel Van der Meerschen, Paolo Motta, **Alvaro Gomez-Ferrer Bayo**, Teresa Colletta, Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias, Nur Akin, Danuta Klosek-Kozłowska, Elvira Petroncelli, Joao Campos, Michal Firestone, Nils Ahlberg, David Logan.

1. Proposed documents
 - a. Washington Charter
 1. Title- The Valetta charter for the safeguarding and management of historic towns and urban areas, new approaches to the Washington charter.
 2. Procedure: Approve the document in principle on Saturday: Participants will sign it. Need to mention the Athens meeting and the list of participants.
 3. Move to a small commission for editing (lingual, contents).
 - b. "The historic city as reference model for sustainable urban development policies"
 1. Will be considered a basis for discussion, along with the issues that will come up at the symposium. Not as a conclusion of – at least at this point.
2. Presentations during the symposium
 - a. Not all the presentations were accepted by the Scientific Committee because of a lack of allotted time. Decision to accept only part of the presentations was left to the scientific committee and will be left to it in the future. It would be best, however, if we could allot more time for the symposium in order to allow as many people to present as want to.
 - b. Nevzat Ilhan wants to present the Edirne case. Will dedicate a workshop to the issue.
3. Sub committees and work groups
 - a. Sub Committee for the Ibero-American region
 1. ICOMOS-Spain will arrange for a meeting of the committee in November.
 2. The municipality of Santiago de Compostela offered CIHIB long term support (Sponsorship of annual meetings) of 25'000 Euros.
 3. The proposal should be discussed with ICOMOS-Spain.
 4. The President of ICOMOS-Spain is sick and so the matter will be postponed to the summer.
 - b. Sub committee for the Mediterranean region
 1. The meeting in Edirne was very successful.
 2. The report had been distributed.
 - c. Work Group on Walled Cities
 1. Joao Camos, Betina Adams and Giora Solar discussed the matter and are proposing that the group discuss walled ensembles rather than fortifications (which fall under responsibility of ICOFORT). They will compose a paper to form a basis for discussion. The paper will be distributed with a call for contributions from the members of CIVVIH. Members will be invited to join the group on the basis of their contribution to the work of the group.

4. Future CIVVIH meetings (committee and sub-committees)
 - a. 2011 Annual meeting/Paris General Assembly.
 1. GA will not take place in Iran. Instead, it will meet in Paris during the first week of December. When the halls of UNESCO will be free for use.
 2. CIVVIH will conduct its annual meeting during the GA.
 - b. Damascus meeting (2010/2011).
 1. The partner (financing) is the EU as part of a project aimed at improving the function of the city.
 2. Samir Abdulac has procured financing for a meeting of CIVVIH, possibly in the spring..
 3. The meeting can not be an annual meeting (because not all members because of the political construct) but a study tour.
 - c. 2012 Annual meeting
 1. Saleh Lamei will try and arrange an annual meeting of CIVVIH in Alexandria.
 2. Michal Firestone will send CIVVIH's list of requests.
 - d. Sub committee for the Mediterranean Region
 1. Possible meeting in Nicosia, November 2010.
5. Relevant conferences
 - a. Arles, April 2010 (Urban Heritage in the Mediterranean, Econ. & soc. Dev.). Organization: AVEC (an organization of small and medium size cities). Theme: Heritage and local social and economical development. CIVVIH was party to the scientific organization (as a representative of ICOMOS). Samir Abdulac is representing CIVVIH and Ray Bondin will participate.
 - b. Arles, June 9-11. 2010 (European National ICOMOS committees meeting).
 - c. Ghent. September 1-3, 2010. 10th International conference on urban history – city and society in European history.
6. World Heritage
 - a. Less cities are being nominated and even less members of CIVVIH are now involved in WH related missions. At the same time, more monitoring missions need to be undertaken. The process of electing professionals for monitoring missions is different than that applied for evaluation missions and so the ISCs are not consulted..
 - b. Ray met with Regina Durighallo to discuss the matter.
 - c. Proposal to write Paris with the following:
 1. Request that more members of CIVVIH be involved in WH missions.
 2. Ask that the election process for monitoring missions be the same as for evaluations missions.
 3. Propose – again- that evaluators of WH missions be allowed to share their experience with others.
7. Cooperation with OVPM/OWHC
 - a. Samir Abdulac attended a meeting as the representative of CIVVIH.
 - b. The organization has commissioned a project (the Lyon project) to publish monographies on historic cities. Icomos is a partner and has asked CIVVIH to represent it.
8. Haiti
 - a. A report has been distributed.
 - b. So far no action taken by ICOMOS but will ask members to register.
9. Statutes
 - a. Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias will continue.in her efforts to finalize the issue

10. Membership

- a. So far, 79 applicants had been approved as expert members and 15 had been approved as associate members.

11. Honorary Membership

- a. Proposal to award Honorary Membership to:
 - 1. K. Pawlowski.
 - 2. V. Krogius.

12. Others

- a. Membership
 - 1. Need to develop criteria for individuals (Paolo Motta proposed that we use the European forms) and for institutional members.

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