

CIVVIH Newsletter

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1. CIVVIH COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

CIVVIH ANNUAL MEETING

We would like to inform you that in accordance with the recent message received from ICOMOS Italia and Teresa Colletta the annual meeting of CIVVIH will be held in Naples from 3 to 7 September 2012, following a discussion to be held between the CIVVIH Bureau and ICOMOS Italia.

- September 3 is planned for a joint scientific meeting: CIVVIH, ICLAFI and ISCEC.
- The 3, 4 and 5 September will be dedicated to the scientific conference and the elections for the new Bureau of CIVVIH.
- «UN-HABITAT, World Urban Forum » will be held September 6.
- A post conference tour (Pompei, Ercolano etc.) is planned for September 7.

Further information and details will be forwarded as soon as possible.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MEMBERS OF CIVVIH

- Riin Alatalu, elected President of Estonian ICOMOS Committee last March.
- Samir Abdulac, elected Secretary General of ICOMOS France last March.

VALETTA PRINCIPLES IS NOW AVAILABLE

- in spanish, thanks to Victor Salinas, Angela Rojas and the members of CIHIB
<http://civvih.icomos.org/sites/default/files/CIVVIH%20Principios%20de%20La%20Valetta.pdf>
- in russian, thanks to Olga Sevan and Vladimir Krogus
<http://www.zodchiy21.ru/index.html>

2. CIVVIH MEDITERRANEAN SUB-COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

CIVVIH Mediterranean Sub-Committee ANNUAL MEETING 18- 21 May 2012, İzmir, Turkey

“ MULTILAYERED HISTORIC TOWNS”

Venue: Dokuz Eylul University, Cumhuriyet Bulvarı, no 144,
DESEM Bordo Salon, Alsancak – İzmir.



TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Thursday 17.5: Arrival of Participants

Friday 18.5: (13:00 -18:30) Registration | Scientific Symposium

Saturday 19.5: (9:30 – 18:30) Meeting of Mediterranean Subcommittee | Walking tour of İzmir
(Agora and surroundings)

Sunday 20.5: Optional guided tour to cultural heritage sites outside İzmir
(Ephesos, Virgin Mary, Şirince) | Departure of Participants

Monday 21.5: Departure of Participants

The meeting is planned around a series of thematic sessions including a blend of presentations.

The main subject of the CIVVIH Mediterranean Sub committee meeting which will be held in Turkey will focus on the axis “ **Multilayered Historic Towns**”.

Special topics

proposed for discussion during Turkey meeting are:

- a. Context and new directives related to multilayered historic towns.
- b. Preservation approaches of Mediterranean’s multilayered cities.
- c. Conservation problems and priorities of multilayered historic cities or cores.
- d. Sharing best practices with reference to Mediterranean’s multilayered cities, integrated preservation of Historical Centers, Tourism in the Historical Mediterranean Cities.

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ICOMOS Turkey & CIVVIH

Organization committee

Sofia Avgerinou-Kolonias (Greece), Nur Akin (Turkey), Eti Akyüz Levi(Turkey)

Scientific committee

Teresa Coletta (Italy), Samir Abdulac (France), Nur Akin (Turkey).

You are requested **to declare as soon as possible your participation** to our colleagues of ICOMOS Turkey: Nur Akin, nurgunkut@gmail.com
Eti Akyüz Levi, eti.akyuz@gmail.com

For your information

The Izmir meeting is already announced in the webpage of ICOMOS calendar

<http://www.icomos.org/en/2011-10-06-14-15-31#year=2012&month=5&day=1&view=month>

and in the website CIVVIH: <http://civvih.icomos.org/?q=node/133>

3. ACTIVITIES BY CIVVIH MEMBERS

■ [new] Historic Urban Landscape Study Visit to Seville by World Heritage Master's Students

Dr Elene Negussie, CIVVIH, ICOMOS Ireland

Dr Víctor Fernández Salinas, CIVVH, General Secretary ICOMOS Spain

From 9 to 11 March 2012 a study visit to Seville took place with post-graduate students from Ireland, Colombia, Peru and Uruguay on the World Heritage Management Master's Programme of University College Dublin, Ireland. Each year students on this multi-disciplinary programme have the opportunity to visit the Doñana National Park and Seville with visits to the Cathedral, the Alcázar and the Archivo de Indias, which constitute the World Heritage property inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List in 1987 (Fig. 1).

This year the visit to Seville formed part of a new module in 'Historic Urban Landscapes' introduced by Dr Elene Negussie of University College Dublin. CIVVIH provided a useful platform for exchange. Dr Víctor Fernández Salinas of University of Seville gave a tour of Santa Cruz and the historic centre in the vicinity of the World Heritage property and discussed issues relating to conservation, authenticity, tourism and socio-economics (Fig. 2).

Informed by the UNESCO Draft Recommendation on Historic Urban Landscapes and the ICOMOS Valletta Principles for the Safeguarding and Management of Historic Cities, Towns and Urban Areas of 2011, the new module explores the Historic Urban Landscape approach in World Heritage contexts.

Seville provided a useful and highly relevant case of study considering the ICOMOS Advisory Mission to Seville from 7 to 9 November 2011, to determine state of conservation and the impact of new development projects affecting the wider urban context of the *Cathedral, Alcázar and Archivo de Indias in Seville* World Heritage property. The mission experts met with local and national authorities, private sector interests and NGOs, and specifically assessed the impact of the Torre Pelli-Cajasol, a 178m high-rise development designed by César Pelli in the vicinity of the historic Triana district (Fig. 3) and any possible adverse impact on the Outstanding Universal Value of the World Heritage property.

The findings of the mission will be reviewed at the 36th Session of the World Heritage Committee in Saint Petersburg in June 2012. The Committee requested the State Party to halt the construction works at its last three sessions. However, development of the tower has continued and is now a dominant feature on Seville's skyline (Fig. 4).

Finally, thanks are due to Dr Víctor Fernández Salinas for having led the tour and to CIVVIH President Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias for having facilitated transfer of knowledge.



Figure 1: Cathedral, Alcázar and Archivo de Indias in Seville World Heritage property
E. Negussie, 2012



Figure 2: Study group observing the Seville skyline from the rooftop of Metropol Parasol. C. Cave, 2012



Figure 3: View of the half-constructed Pelli tower from the historic Triana quarters
E. Negussie, 2012



Figure 4: View of the tower from east of the Guadalquivir with Torre del Oro (right) and the Pelli Tower in the distance (left). E. Negussie, 2012

■ [new] Ravello Workshop, ICOMOS Italy – CIVVIH, 23-24 March 2012

“Città storiche e turismo culturale. Città d’arte o città di cultura ?”

ICOMOS-Italy and the Italian Committee on Historic Cities and Villages, presided by Teresa Coletta, member of the CIVVIH bureau and General Secretary of ICOMOS-Italy, organized on the 23rd and 24th of March a workshop entitled “*Città storiche e turismo culturale. Città d’arte o città di cultura ? Marketing urbano o Turismo culturale ?*” (Historic Cities and Cultural Tourism. Cities or art or cities of culture? Urban marketing or cultural tourism?) The Workshop took place in the Centro Universitario Europeo Per I Beni Culturali at the Villa Rufolo in Ravello.

The seminar’s objective was to place in the center of the debate not only the extraordinary potential of cultural goods and activities, but also Italy’s urban heritage and exceptional historic urban landscapes, with all their historic and artistic values. We perceived an important discordance between the richness of this urban heritage which is made evident through the complexity of historic cities and the ignorance that local communities show of the specificity of urbanistic richness, just like ‘visitors’ and tourists who are only oriented towards ‘visiting’ emerging monuments.

The Workshop highlighted the fact that historic cities are not sufficiently encouraged by appropriate means directed towards the demands of present-day tourism, with all the new promotions offered by the revolution of information and communication in the entire world, as a result of innovations in modern communication technology (the Media, Networks, the Web, Internet, *Applications* etc....).

The question is what must do the heritage experts for the diffusion of knowledge on the richness of urban heritage? What can one do to understand the stratification and complexity of initial cores in historic cities? What must we do for a ‘suitable visit’ for tourist circuits on a national and international level? How is cultural tourism organized in historic cities, so that they do not just become part of urban marketing, but so that they can offer cultural tourism?

In this Workshop participated the Ambassador Francesco Caruso, member of the ICOMOS Executive Committee, the President of ICOMOS Italy Maurizio Di Stefano, the Director of

ICCROM Stefano De Caro, Professor Teresa Coletta, member of the CIVVIH Bureau and General Secretary of ICOMOS Italy, the President of CIVVIH and member of the ICOMOS Executive Committee Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias, and Professor Nur Akin, member of the CIVVIH bureau, as well as numerous members of ICOMOS Italy. A variety of scientific papers were presented throughout the Workshop, followed by a very interesting debate. A round table, with the participation of all participants worked on the conclusions of the proceedings and produced a 'Proposition Document' which will be published on the website of ICOMOS Italy in April.

Written by Prof. arch.Teresa Coletta



4. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **[new]** Call for paper 2012 of Portusplus (The Call for paper 2012 of Portusplus is consultable on the website of RETE: www.reteonline.org in the section "Portusplus" - "Call for papers" www.reteonline.org). Portusplus is the online-magazine of RETE, the Association for the collaboration between ports and cities, dedicated to the study of themes involving the relationship between port and city and the regeneration of urban waterfronts.

The proposals for papers should be sent to the Scientific Secretariat of Portusplus, following the instructions for submission, before **June 30, 2012**.

- **[new]** Call for Abstracts and Posters:
Tangible Risks, Intangible Opportunities: Long-Term Risk Preparedness and Responses for Threats to Cultural Heritage 2012

Theme: Reducing Risks to Cultural Heritage from Natural and Human-Caused Disasters

The ICOMOS Advisory Committee, including the Scientific Council, will meet this year from 27 October to 1 November in Beijing, China.

Submission of Abstracts:

Abstracts for papers or posters should be a maximum of 250 words in English or French and should be submitted to pamela.jerome@icomos.org by **30 April 2012**

Symposium date: 31 October 2012

Symposium location: Beijing, China (during ICOMOS Scientific Council, Advisory Council, and Executive Committee meetings).

- **[new]** Call for papers: ***Defence Sites: Heritage and Future 2012***. 1st International Conference on Defence Sites: Heritage and Future, 6 - 8 June, 2012, Portsmouth, UK. The conference aims to raise the knowledge of the scale, design and functions of military, naval and air force sites [For further information and on-line submission: <http://www.wessex.ac.uk/12-conferences/defence-sites-heritage-and-future-2012.html>].

- **[new]** Call for Nominations:

The World Monuments Fund invites nominations for the **2012 World Monuments Fund/Knoll Modernism Prize**. The Prize will be awarded in fall 2012 to a design professional or firm in recognition of innovative design solutions that preserved or saved a modern landmark at risk. The Prize was established to raise public awareness of the contribution modernism makes to contemporary life, the important place modernism holds in the architectural record, and the influential role that architects and designers play in preserving modern heritage. Projects that enhanced a site's architectural, functional, economic, and environmental sustainability while benefiting the community are encouraged. Nominated projects must have been completed in the last five years.

The deadline for nominations is **May 31, 2012**.

[For more detail information visit the World Monuments Fund website: <http://www.wmf.org/modernism-prize/call-nominations>].

- **[new]** Call for papers: The international symposium entitled "***Cultural Encounters in The Ottoman World and Their Artistic Reflections***" will be held in honour of Prof. Dr. Filiz Yenisehirlioglu by the Department of History of Art, Hacettepe University, Turkey. The aim of the Symposium, which will be held on 14-16 November 2012 in Hacettepe University Beytepe Campus, is to question the cultural encounters within the scope of the Ottoman world and the Ottoman civilization, and to discuss and share the artistic reflections of these encounters. Further aims of the Symposium are to draw attention to the Ottoman cultural heritage from a contemporary standpoint and to bring an integrated perspective to the Ottoman world by considering the issue of cultural transmission within the case of various art forms through diverse scholarly approaches.

Abstracts should not exceed 400 words and be sent via email to: ceoar2012@gmail.com

Deadline for the abstracts is **May 15, 2012**.

[For further information: Hacettepe University, Faculty of Letters, Department of History of Art, 06800 Beytepe-Ankara, Turkey, E-mail: ceoar2012@gmail.com].

- **[new]** ICOMOS ISCEC Meeting in Malta "Ports as new Magnets for Urban Sustainable Development", May 24-25, 2012.

[For further information the website is available : <http://portsmagnets2012.altervista.org/> or portsmagnets2012.com

email: portsmagnets2012@libero.it].

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- Newsletter of the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee of Vernacular Architecture (CIAV) available at <http://ciav.icomos.org/>

- The new **ICOMOS International Committee for Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM)** newsletter available at http://www.icomos.org/icahm/articles/ICAHM_News_07-10.pdf
- **ICCROM e-News** available online at <http://www.iccrom.org/index.shtml>
- Newsletter forum UNESCO, university and heritage: http://universityandheritage.net/Boletin_FUUP_html/index_eng.html
- International Union of Architects – **UIA E-newsletter** available at <http://www.uia-architectes.org> [subscribe using the on-line form at: <http://www.uia-architectes.org/texte/england/Menu-2/5-abonnement.html>]
- **OpenMed**, The portal supporting cooperation projects among Mediterranean Countries funded by EU, available at www.open-med.eu

We would like to remind our members that our CIVVIH Website is available.
We invite our members to send papers relevant to our subjects of interest
to be added in the “library”.

**You are encouraged to send us information about your activities
in order to be included on Member's Activities
in the forthcoming CIVVIH Newsletters**