

Minutes of CIVVIH Lunch meeting in Beijing, October 31, 2012

Participants

Vice-Presidents of ICOMOS

1. Alfredo Conti (Argentina,expert member of CIVVIH)
2. Guo Zhan (China)

Member of the Executive Committee

3. Hae-Un Rii (Korea)

President of CIVVIH and Member of the Executive Committee

4. Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias (Greece)

CIVVIH Vice-President

5. Samir Abdulac (France)

CIVVIH Secretary General

6. Claus-Peter Echter (Germany)

Member of the Executive of CIVVIH and President of CIIHB

7. Angela Rojas (Cuba)

Member of the Executive of CIVVIH (Hungary)

8. Gergely Nagy (Hungary)

Honorary Member of CIVVIH

9. Tamas Fejérdy (Hungary)

Expert Members of CIVVIH

10. Boguslaw Smygin (Poland)
11. Lijung Wang (China)
12. Jie Zhang (China)
13. Zhongshu Zhao(China)

Associate members of CIVVIH

14. Xie Lie (China)
15. Tong Wei (China)
16. Ying Zheng (China)

Guest

17. Inho Son (Korea)

Minutes

1. Welcoming

President Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias opened the meeting, and stated that we are in a new era of the Executive Committee. The President welcomed all the participants especially the new representation from Asia. The work of the Committee can be improved thanks to a larger and most representative participation.

Topics of CIVVIH will play an important part during the next General Assembly of ICOMOS in Florence in 2014.

2. Report of Samir Abdulac about the Relationship with the Organization of World Heritage Cities (OVPM)

A synthesis of case studies of historical cities is presently being finalized. A final discussion about such case studies is expected in the city of Lyon in May 2013.

Samir Abdulac represents CIVVIH at the steering committee with the collaboration of Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias and Gustavo Araoz.

A Chinese example that is included in this survey is the Summer Palace in Beijing.

Boguslaw Smygin informed about an evaluation study on methodological approaches on historic cities in five European countries, which is financed by the European Union.

3. New responsibilities for the CIVVIH newsletter

Elene Negussie and David Logan are jointly in charge of the CIVVIH newsletter that will be issued on a quarterly basis. It is important for the committee to receive scientific information on the historical cities from all regions of the world and especially from the Far East.

4. Future CIVVIH meetings

a. 2013 will be the 30th anniversary of CIVVIH. It is proposed to hold the meeting in Hungary, which was the first seat of CIVVIH, and to hold the meeting in honor of Andras ROMAN, founder and first president of CIVVIH.

The meeting will take place around September 20 in Budapest.

b. Some members of CIVVIH will participate at the Savannah's Annual meeting of ICOMOS USA and at Lyon (OWHC-OVPM) meeting in May 2013.

c. CIVVIH received an invitation from Alanya, Turkey. A meeting can be held there for the Mediterranean Sub-Committee.

d. CIVVIH received an invitation from the Syros Island for the Mediterranean Sub-Committee.

e. ICOMOS Greece will hold a meeting jointly with IcoFort and ICAHM and CIVVIH.

5. Introduction of participants

The participants from China, Korea, Cuba and Argentina were introduced and informed about their expertise, interest and activities in the field of conservation of historic towns and villages.

6. Valetta Principles

The Valetta principles have been translated in Chinese.

7. Triennial Work Plan

The Naples resolution of CIVVIH about «*Culture as a driver of social and economic development*» will be sent to all members for internal consultation and discussion to go

forward. It will be the basis of the CIVVIH's triennial plan. It should also be taken into account the participation of CIVVIH in the scientific symposium of next year «*Globalization and Uncontrolled Development*» (a. Landscape Threats, b. Population Growth, Immigration, and Urbanization. c.. Tourism and Commercialization), and the next General Assembly of ICOMOS in Florence in 2014. «*Heritage and Landscapes as Drivers of Human Rights*»

8. Co-optation

The President will propose at the next CIVVIH Executive meeting to co-opt Jie Zhang, the Chinese expert voting member of CIVVIH, as representative of Asia.

9. Acknowledgement of the President

The President expressed to the friends and colleagues of ICOMOS China her sincere acknowledgments of the friendly lunch meeting of CIVVIH..

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comments from Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias