

Resolution on skyscraper project of the Lakhta business Centre in St. Petersburg

- Recognizing the outstanding universal value of the cultural and natural landscape of St. Petersburg, its Main City Space, Imperial residences on the banks of the Neva Bay and its water area,
- Taking into account resolution of 36th session of the World Heritage Committee on the construction of a business center in Lakhta,
- Having examined the «Heritage Impact Assessment. The potential impact of the «Lakhta Centre» on the Outstanding Universal Value of the World Heritage Property of «Historic Centre of Saint Petersburg and Related Groups of Monuments», provided by St. Petersburg Regional Committee of ICOMOS,

The members of the International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH) - ICOMOS on the meeting in Budapest, 21-22 September 2013, adopted the following resolution:

- Recognize the conclusions of the referred to above Heritage Impact Assessment methodologically correct and reasonable,
- Refer to the Government of St. Petersburg to reconsider the decision with a resolution on the construction of a skyscraper height till 500 meters, recognizing the permissible height till 133 meters; it follows from the referred to above Heritage Impact Assessment,
- To submit appeal to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation of the request to prevent the construction of the projected skyscraper height of 462.7 meters.

Resolution on for Desyatinniy pereoulok in Kiev (UNESCO World Heritage site 10th century remains of the palace of The Great Duke Vladimir)

Having noted the received ICOMOS Heritage Alert Template about Kiev

The members of the International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH) - ICOMOS on the meeting in Budapest, 21-22 September 2013, adopted the following consideration:

Part of the buffer zone of UNESCO World Heritage site - 10th century remains of the palace of The Great Duke Vladimir is taken over by Kiev Patriarchate of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church. 7 stores admin-commercial-residential complex with underground parking is in a stage of outlining of the foundation. Court rulings were against the construction.

Local media and group of public activists are protesting.

CIVVIH expresses his strong concern about the safeguarding of the site and recommends to ICOMOS an urgent intervention considering that:

- An international acknowledgement and publicity will be affective.
- Complete withdrawal of the construction and instead conservation of archaeological site with further establishment of the museum is urgent and vital.

Resolution concerning the architectural and cultural heritage of Bucharest, Romania

Having noted the received ICOMOS Heritage Alert Template on behalf of the Association for the protection and documentation of Romanian heritage (Pro.Do.Mo)

Taking into consideration that Romania is a signatory to international treaties and conventions on the protection of built heritage and cultural diversity,

Witnessing the degradation of Bucharest architectural and cultural heritage through demolitions, abandonment of historic buildings, unsustainable urban development and inappropriate restorations,

Anticipating the irretrievable loss of many historic buildings and sites, should the current approach continue,

The members of the International Committee on Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH) - ICOMOS on the meeting in Budapest, 21-22 September 2013, adopted the following consideration:

CIVVIH expresses his strong concern about the safeguarding of the Heritage of Historic Bucharest City and recommends to ICOMOS to call urgently upon the Romanian authorities to protect Bucharest architectural and cultural heritage,

- To stop the total and partial demolitions of listed buildings
- To stop the demolitions of individual elements that make up listed historic sites
- To stop the destruction of conservation areas by instituting protection for individual historic buildings that contribute to the cultural and urban value of the whole, but are not listed
- To work on developing local strategies for the preservation of Bucharest architectural and cultural heritage through sustainable economic development