

## **Draft minutes of CIVVIH Executive meeting in Galissás, (Greece), 19 September 2015**

### **Participants**

1. Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias – President (Greece)
2. Samir Abdulac – Vice President (France)
3. Teresa Colletta – Vice President (Italy)
4. Danuta Klosek-Kozłowska – Vice President (Poland)
5. Claus-Peter Echter – (Secretary General) (Germany)
6. Faika Bejaoui – Executive Member (Tunisia)
7. David Logan – Executive Member (Australia)
8. Gergely Nagy – Executive Member (Hungary)
9. Giora Solar – Executive Member (Israel)
10. Olga Sevan – Executive Member (Russia)

### **1. Election and Cooptions**

The newly elective Executive of CIVVIH has had each first meeting in the morning of 19 September 2015. The voting members of CIVVIH elected five bureau members and five members of the Executive.

#### **PRESIDENT :**

Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias -GREECE

#### **VICE PRESIDENTS:**

Samir Abdulac - FRANCE

Teresa Colletta - ITALY

Danuta Klosek- Kozłowska – POLAND

#### **SECRETARY GENERAL:**

Claus- Peter Echter – GERMANY

#### **MEMBERS of the EXECUTIVE**

Faika Béjaoui - TUNIS

David Logan - AUSTRALIA

Gergely Nagy - HUNGARY

Giora Solar - ISRAEL

Olga Sevan – RUSSIA

For a widest geographical representation the Executive of CIVVIH has decided to coopt among its members Jeff Soule (USA), Saleh Lamei (Egypt), Elene Negussie (Ireland), Zhang Jie (China), Hae Un Rii (Korea) who accepted this cooption. We wait for the relevant reply from Angela Rojas (Cuba) and Ofelia Sanou (Costa Rica) as representatives of South America.

### **2. Honorary membership (posthumous)**

Ian Hocking (Australia) and Sémia Akrouit Yaïche had been awarded posthumously Honorary membership by the Committee. Both had been proposed by several members and the Bureau of CIVVIH.

Sémia Akrouit Yaïche has been given posthumously a CIVVIH membership. And then she was proposed as Honorary Member posthumously.

### **3. Resolutions**

Four Resolutions were adopted.

15.1 Syros's heritage – driver of sustainable developments

15.2 CIVVIH Resolution on Post-2015 Concept Note on SDGs

15.3 CIVVIH Resolution on Syria victims and Cultural Heritage

15.4 CIVVIH Resolution for Najaf Historic Centre in Iraq

The resolutions will be addressed to the CIVVIH members, the Secretariat in Paris, the Advisory Committee, the Scientific Council and the Board

The CIVVIH resolution on Post-2015 Concept Note on SDG with the included addition of the Valetta Principlssr will be sent to the same addressees in the ICOMOS organisation in Paris..

Comments to the ICOMOS Concept Note should be forwarded until 2 October to Andrew Potts and to the President of CIVVIH.

The Syros resolution should be transmitted to Syros Institute, the Syros municipality, and ICOMOS addressees.

### **4. Information of CIVVIH Vice President Samir Abdulac**

4.1 ICOMOS has passed last June a MoU with **CyArk** an American non-for profit organization. Its executive board includes four persons so far: Gustavo Araoz, Mounir Bouchenaki, Elizabeth Lee (CyArk) and myself.

4.2 In this framework, a joint project named **ANQA** (Phoenix in Arabic) is set up in order to produce 3D Surveys of monuments and sites at risk in Iraq, Syria and more generally the Middle East. One of the first sites will be the WH Historic City of Damascus, Syria. Different representative monuments should be surveyed before the end of this year. Training of Syrian professionals and provision of equipment would be included. A similar pilot project is prepared for the WH citadel of Erbil, Iraq, which is a historic town in fact.

4.3 The Working Group for Safeguarding Cultural Heritage in Iraq and Syria will soon propose to an EU-UNESCO program based in Beirut a training session on risk preparedness in Historic cities, particularly Damascus, and urban reconstruction problems. The trainees Would by Syrians.

This information provided by Samir Abdulac received support from the Executive of CIVVIH.

### **5. Thanks**

The President will address a letter to Syros municipality, the Syros Institute with thanks and other sponsors. for all of their efforts, the warm welcome and the excellent organization of our annual meeting and the scientific symposium.

### **6. Newsletter**

The next newsletter with the main topic - the annual meeting in Syros island - will be published before the end of the year 2015, with an editorial of the President, the resolutions in English, and a

resume of the resolutions in French by Siame Hanna Ishac, Faika Béjaoui and Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias.

### **7. Syros Resolution on Heritage, Driver of Historic Towns and Urban Landscapes Sustainable Development**

A synthesis of the resolution will be worked out approximately in a month time by Claus-Peter Echter, Danuta Klosek-Kozłowska, Teresa Colletta, Eleni Maistrou, George Tsilimigkas and Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias and then will be asked by the participants for comments.

*Draft minutes written by Claus-Peter Echter*