

**CIVVIH MEETING
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Rehabilitation operation in historic towns

Working topic proposed

For the CIVVIH meeting in Nancy, we propose the following working topic.

The aim is for each ICOMOS delegation represented at the CIVVIH to choose a town in which a global rehabilitation operation has been carried out on a sufficiently large scale to enable an assessment of its practical effects, i.e. a quarter or part of a town. The operation must have improved the quarter in question significantly, preferably from several viewpoints (housing, amenities, public spaces, etc.), while respecting the heritage value of the place.

In each case presented, you are asked to analyse the following points:

Condition of the quarter before its rehabilitation:

1. Prior assessment

- 1.1- Its heritage values? (monuments, vernacular architecture of good quality): prior knowledge
- 1.2- Its physical condition? The problems encountered?
- 1.3- What are the aims of the rehabilitation project / >hat does the rehabilitation project consist of?

2. The rehabilitation action carried out:

- 2.1- In what fields: public spaces, monuments, housing, commerce, traffic flow, public amenities, etc.
- 2.2- The operational tools put in place for this purpose: How is the operational action set up? What partnerships are there? What financing?
- 2.3- The practical results

3. The CIVVIH expert's analysis of the results: the positive and negative aspects. What may be taken as an example?

The desired result is to be able to draw parallels between the various modes of action applied by the public authorities to rehabilitate quarters of great historic value. In this way, we intend

that everyone should be able to learn something from a practical experience carried out in other countries, thereby encouraging willingness to develop exchanges in this area.

To achieve this aim, it is essential in our view to look at the various rehabilitation issues involved: not only the way in which architectures of quality are rehabilitated, but also social questions (the local inhabitants should remain in place), activities (maintaining the ordinary diversity of professional activities), traffic management, etc. Clearly, each individual will present the case with reference to the concerns that seem to him or her the most important for the rehabilitation of these quarters of high quality.

We are sure that the papers you submit will also be of high quality, and we thank you in advance for your contributions.

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