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13. Examination of International Assistance requests

SUMMARY

This document comprises three parts. Part I is related to International Assistance requests within the purview of the World Heritage Committee. Part II contains the status of the International Assistance budget for the biennium 2018-2019 as of 28 May 2018; and Part III, a brief note about the recommendation made by the Internal Oversight Service on the International Assistance process.

The present document contains also an Annex listing the International Assistance requests approved for the biennium 2018-2019 as of 28 May 2018, as well as the final list of those approved during the biennium 2016-2017.

Draft Decision: ***42 COM 13****,* see Point IV.

I. INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS FOR DECISION BY THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE

1. In accordance with Paragraph 241 of the *Operational Guidelines*, decisions on International Assistance requests above US$ 30,000 are made by the World Heritage Committee, while decisions on requests below US$ 30,000 are made by the Chairperson. In the 2018 cycle, the International Assistance panels examined 44 requests, out of which 7 were above US$ 30,000. Three of them were recommended for revision: as a result, one is in the process of being revised for a lower amount and will fall within the purview of the Chairperson, and for the other two no revised version has been received so far. Further to recommendations for non-approval, two other requests were subsequently withdrawn by the States Parties concerned. The remaining two requests are submitted to the Committee for decision (see below).

CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE

Cultural heritage

N°	Region	State Party – Name of activity	Amount requested (US$)	Amount recommended for approval (US$)
Requests recommended for approval				
1	Europe	**Albania** – Development of an integrated management plan of Gjirokastra and Berat	30,460	30,460
Request recommended for non-approval				
2	Europe	**Ukraine –** Purchase of the trailing lift (hoist) with a telescopic boom Dinolift 150T	50,500	n.a.

Funds available for a possible approval under the Conservation & Management Assistance budget as of 28 May 2018: US$ 356,998

Total amount for approval by the Committee: US$ 30,460

Comments of the Secretariat: sufficient funds available.

A summary of these requests is presented in the next pages. The full text is available with the Secretariat.

REQUEST N° 1

Conservation & Management Assistance
Cultural Heritage
Eastern Europe

State Party: Albania *(Upper Middle Income Country)*

Name of activity: Development of an integrated management plan of Gjirokastra and Berat

Amount requested: US$ 30,460

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund as at 31 December 2017: contributions paid.

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this property in the past ten years:
- Conservation & Management Assistance (2016), US$ 4,992

Background:

The Historic Centre of Gjirokastra was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2005, and it was extended in 2008 to include the Historic Centre of Berat. The first Integrated Management Plan (IMP) was prepared in 2008, at the time of extension. It was a five-year management plan, which was prepared by a close collaboration between municipalities and heritage institutions with technical assistance provided by UNESCO Venice Office. This first IMP did not pass through the necessary steps of adoption by national institutions and not even the Territorial Regulatory Councils of the relevant municipalities. However it was an important reference for the heritage institutions (national and regional) as far as the zoning issues and level of protection of each subzone of the buffer zone were concerned. The most recent regulations of both Historic Centres are based on the main principles guiding the first IMP.

In 2012, Berat Municipality participated as a partner in SUSCULT programme (Achieving SUSTainability through an integrated approach to the management of CULTural heritage co-funded by the European Union and involving some World Heritage properties in the sub-region). As a result of this program this municipality succeeded in preparing a Management Plan for the Historic Centre of Berat, since the first one had almost expired. Even though this new plan for Berat was a positive step, it did not engage Gjirokastra municipality as well and could not be considered as an IMP.

The need for an updated IMP has been repeatedly mentioned in all World Heritage Committee Decisions after 2012. The most recent Decision, 41 COM 7B.40 « *(…) urges the State Party to develop, as a matter of priority, an overarching IMP, including a risk management component with threat mitigation measures, and to:*
a) Develop an integrated urban conservation and development tool, based on a detailed survey and documentation of all buildings and environmental features in the urban settlement and its wider context, using if necessary the approach carried by the Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape (2011), and ensure strong inter-institutional cooperation in particular with the entities responsible for urban planning ».

The drafting of an IMP requires the cooperation and co-ordination of numerous local, regional and national institutions as well as civil society and community. Even though the

State Party is committed in starting the process of preparation of the new IMP, it is facing numerous difficulties regarding the coordination and gathering of such wide range of stakeholders. A good inception phase is necessary in order to develop a work strategy.

The Ministry of Culture and its institutions are working on the detailed survey and documentation of all buildings in the urban settlement of both Historic Centres. The Regulations for the protection, integrated conservation, and administration of the Historic Centre and Buffer zone of Berat and Gjirokastra have been approved by the Council of Ministers respectively in 2014 and 2015. The General Urban Plans of the municipalities of Berat and Gjirokastra are complete and approved: Berat on 29.12.2016 and Gjirokastra on 08.02.2017.

Objectives:

The project aims at organizing a series of national seminars and workshops leaded by two international experts with the participation of all relevant stakeholders (institutional representatives and civil society). These seminars and workshops shall result in developing a work strategy, coordinating the work and establishing a detailed work plan with responsibilities and duties of each stakeholder. A technical working group shall be put in place in order to gather, coordinate data and further work on the drafting of the IMP, based on the guidelines and work strategy developed by the international experts.

Site visits and field study will be conducted within Gjirokastra and Berat, in order to co-ordinate the data from several local, regional and national institutions and to define actions and deadlines for all responsible institutions according to their areas of responsibility at local and national level. Meetings and interviews with relevant governmental institutions and representatives of NGOs and civil society shall be held by the international experts. The UNESCO Recommendation on Historic Urban Landscape (HUL) also needs to be introduced and implemented in the drafting of IMP.

The project includes:
1. Two-day workshops in each Historic Centre (2 days in Berat, 2 days in Gjirokastra) with 2 international experts, with representatives of all relevant governmental institutions and civil society to develop a strategic vision on conservation and development together with a detailed outline of the IMP.
2. Preparation of guidelines, working strategy and working plan
3. Set up of a technical working group
4. Introduction of a first draft management plan in a two-day workshop in Tirana

Duration of the project:
Estimated to 12 months.

Expected results:

Expected results	*Indicators*	*Means of verification*
Introduction of the UNESCO Recommendation on Historic Urban Landscape (HUL, 2011) and implementation in the drafting of IMP	UNESCO Recommendation on Historic Urban Landscape (HUL, 2011) introduced and discussed in the stakeholder seminars	HUL Concept integrated in the IMP
Assessment of the current management system of the property to identify gaps	Gaps identified in the current management system Stakeholder workshop to review the management plan	List of areas to be addressed in the current management system Desktop assessment reports Stakeholder consultation reports
Documentation and mapping of	Stakeholder meetings on the	Workshops report documentation

Expected results	*Indicators*	*Means of verification*
the cultural heritage values	recognition and acknowledgement of the cultural values	and mapping of the cultural heritage values
The IMP shall have legal status and all relevant institutions shall act in accordance with the plan.	All stakeholders and technical working group agree on the draft IMP document	Report of the technical working group
Community engagement trough participative meetings	Number and diversity of community members attending the meetings	Reports on workshops

Budget:

Total activity budget (in US$):	**31,660**
National or other contributions (in US$):	**1,200**
Amount requested from the World Heritage Fund (in US$):	**30,460**
1. Organization	**4,480**
Venue for the seminars and workshop in Gjirokastra, Berat	800
Venue for the seminars and workshop in Tirana	800
Translation of the final report (120 pages x US$10)	1,200
Simultaneous interpretation (30 hours x US$36)	1,080
Office expenses	600
2. Personnel / consultancy services (fees)	**8,800**
Two international experts (US$ 440 per day for 10 days)	8,800
3. Travel	**4,320**
International travel cost (for 2 international experts twice)	2,000
Domestic travel costs:	
- fuel	600
- national trainees travel to from Tirana to Gjirokastra, with minibus	600
- 5 national trainees travel from Berat to Gjirokastra	60
- national trainees from Tirana travel from Gjirokastra to Berat, with minibus	400
- 5 national trainees travel from Gjirokastra to Berat	60
- national trainees from Tirana travel from Berat to Gjirokastra, with minibus	400
- 10 national trainees from Gjirokastra to Berat travel to Tirana	200
4. Accommodation & meals	**11,360**
Accommodation:	
- 2 International Experts hotel accommodation for 9 days in Berat and Gjirokastra	720
- 2 International Experts hotel accommodation for 3 days in Tirana	480
- 10 national trainees hotel accommodation in Tirana for 3 days	1,200
- 20 national trainees from Tirana and Berat, hotel accommodation in Gjirokastra for 2 days	1,600
- 20 national trainees from Tirana and Gjirokastra, hotel accommodation in Berat for 2 days	1,600
Meals:	
- Launch for 40 participants in workshop in Gjirokastra and Berat, US$ 20 per person	3,200
- Launch for 40 participants in workshop in Tirana, US$ 20 per person	1,600
- Meals for international experts	960
5. Equipment	
None	

6. Evaluation & reporting None	
7. Miscellaneous	**1,500**
Coffee breaks (simple catering - 6 days for 40 persons - estimated cost US$ 4 per person)	960
Roll up	240
Printing on banner 20 m² x US$15 per m²	300

Comments of the Secretariat:

Two International Assistance requests were approved for Albania: one for Berat and Gjirokastra on the development of monitoring indicators in 2015 and one for and emergency response training in 2016. These activities had been approved to support the State Party's efforts in the development of the IMP, which had been requested by the World Heritage Committee since its 37th session in 2013 and needs to be submitted as a matter of priority.

The current International Assistance request provides an overview of the scope of work for the development of the IMP which entails updating the 2008 Management Plan, the integration of a HUL approach and aspects related to sustainable development, community engagement, risk management and intangible heritage. The request also notes that a strong coordination and consultation process at national and local levels needs to be put in place to support this process. The Secretariat would like to highlight the experience of the Albanian authorities for the management planning acquired through the Upstream process for the Lake Ohrid region which should be built on for the development of the IMPfor Berat and Gjirokastra.

The Manual on managing cultural World Heritage (available at https://whc.unesco.org/en/managing-cultural-world-heritage/) provides extensive guidance for the establishment of an integrated management system in the most complex environments. The Secretariat would like to encourage the Albanian authorities to make extensive use of the manual for the development of the detailed workplan.

The Secretariat recommends that this request may be considered for approval if funds are still available, Albania being an 'Upper Middle Income Country' and hence having less priority.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies:

ICOMOS, 12 January 2018

ICOMOS considers that this is an important project, which is required to conserve the Outstanding Universal Value of the property. The workplan is well resolved, offers a logical sequence and realistic program, and is consistent with recent Decisions of the Committee and the findings of the 2016 ICOMOS Advisory Mission. The project should include a risk management component with threat mitigation measures, in accordance with the Committee's recent request, and should incorporate the Advisory Mission recommendations, as appropriate. Given that the State Party is an 'Upper Middle Income Country', and limits on available funding, it may be appropriate to invite the State Party to contribute part of the project cost.

ICOMOS considers that the application should be supported.

ICCROM, 16 January 2018
ICCROM supports the request in principle; however, it notes that according to the Operational Guidelines International Assistance should “have a catalytic and multiplier effect (“seed money”) and promote financial and technical contributions from other sources”. The State Party has not made any commitment of its own resources, nor has it found other sources. ICCROM further notes that the State Party is an ‘Upper Middle Income Country’and therefore does not have priority for the World Heritage Fund.

ICCROM is of the opinion that the project is necessary and well framed. For this reason, it would recommend approval of the request, taking into account that the State Party is not a priority country according to the Operational Guidelines. If funds are available, however, it would be a worthwhile project.

Recommendation by the International Assistance panel

17 January 2018
Request fine for approval in principle, but to be submitted for final recommendation to the panel which will be held next April, since the State Party is an ‘Upper Middle Income Country’and priority for funding is given to LDCs, LIEs and LMICs in accordance with paragraph 239b) of the Operational Guidelines.

18 April 2018
Request to be submitted to the Committee for approval for US$ 30,460 under the Conservation & Management Assistance-Cultural heritage budget.

REQUEST N° 2

Conservation & Management Assistance
Cultural Heritage
Eastern Europe

State Party: Ukraine *(Lower Middle Income Country)*

Name of activity: Purchase of the trailing lift (hoist) with a telescopic boom Dinolift 150T

Amount requested: US$ 50,500

Status of dues to the World Heritage Fund as at 31 December 2017: contributions paid.

Previous contributions from the World Heritage Fund for this property in the past ten years:
- Conservation & Management Assistance (2018), US$ 29,945
- Conservation & Management Assistance (2009), US$ 5,000

Background:

A trailing lift (hoist) with a telescopic boom Dinolift DINO 150T will allow carrying out promptly:
- examination and monitoring works;
- restoration and conservation works;
- current repair works, operation and maintenance of engineering networks (electricity, lighting, video surveillance and security alarm systems, etc.), operation and maintenance of buildings and structures;
- urgent works on the maintenance of facilities (cleaning from snow, ice, emergency work, etc.).

The main advantages of this model of trailer lift (hoist) are: high lifting height of the working platform at a small weight of the device itself, ensuring mobility and the possibility of operative transportation; possibility of application for both internal and external works; low operating costs, and significant environmental friendliness, because the power is supplied from mains; presence of authorized service and technical support of the specified equipment in Ukraine.

Objectives:

A trailing lift (hoist) with a telescopic boom Dinolift DINO 150T will allow the operative and immediate execution of an impressive list of repair and restoration, engineering and contravention works both inside and outside the facilities without involving third-party enterprises and organizations.

Duration of the project:
Estimated to 6 months

Expected results:

Expected results	*Indicators*	*Means of verification*
The purchase and the	1) State financial reporting. 2) Photo	1) State financial reporting. 2)

Expected results	*Indicators*	*Means of verification*
implementation of the telescopic lift Dinolift DINO 150T	fixing of the equipment.	Photo fixing of the equipment.

Budget:

Total activity budget (in US$):	**51,700**
National or other contributions (in US$): Staff training	**1,200**
Amount requested from the World Heritage Fund (in US$):	**50,500**
1. Organization None **2. Personnel / consultancy services (fees)** None **3. Travel** None **4. Accommodation & meals** None **5. Equipment** Trailing lift (hoist) with a telescopic boom DINO 150T **6. Evaluation & reporting** None **7. Miscellaneous** None	**50,500** 50,500

Comments of the Secretariat:

While maintenance and regular conservation of all property's components continues, the new monitoring mechanism should be installed at all monuments of the property to survey the stability of their structures. As progress towards the realization of this work is connected almost exclusively with financial (funding) opportunities, the 2017 reactive monitoring mission recommended that a "Special Fund" should be created at the highest national level in order to secure all necessary funds for conservation, stabilization and rehabilitation works. This International Assistance request concerning the purchasing of the telescopic lift Dinolift DINO 150T is not financially supported by the State Party and its "National Special Fund".

The State Party should be invited to submit this request to other potential sources available in Europe (e.g. grants from the relevant European Institutions.)

The Secretariat does not support this request.

Comments of the Advisory Bodies:

ICOMOS, 13 January 2018
No economic case is made to support the proposed acquisition (such as comparison with current costs for the hire of similar equipment or use of external contractors).

The property has been discussed at recent sessions of the Committee, with particular concerns being expressed about new development, and weaknesses in management observed by previous missions. By Decision 41 COM 7B.53 the Committee recommended that State Party should develop a long term programme for reconstruction and rehabilitation works at the Monastery of Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra and that monitoring mechanisms to survey stability of structures be installed at all monuments at risk.

ICOMOS acknowledges the need to establish better monitoring mechanisms at the property and the ongoing importance of repair and maintenance, but does not regard the acquisition of this equipment as a current priority. ICOMOS believes that immediate attention should be paid to implementation of previous Committee Decisions (as Decision 41 COM 7B.53 proposes) and the recommendations of the 2017 mission, including the establishment of a Special National Fund, which may be a more appropriate mechanism for funding the trailing lift with a telescopic boom.

ICOMOS therefore considers that the application should not be supported.

ICCROM, 15 January 2018
While supporting the State Partie's desire to have more effective means of monitoring and conservation, the request as written does not provide enough information on the types of work to be carried out. It would be much easier to evaluate this request if there were more information on the work to be done with it, the frequency of its use, etc. Furthermore, it would need to be justified as to how the cost of US$ 50,000 would compare to the rental of such equipment for the same works to be carried out. Only in this way, could the request be better understood and evaluated.

For this reason, ICCROM would recommend returning the request to the State Party for more information.

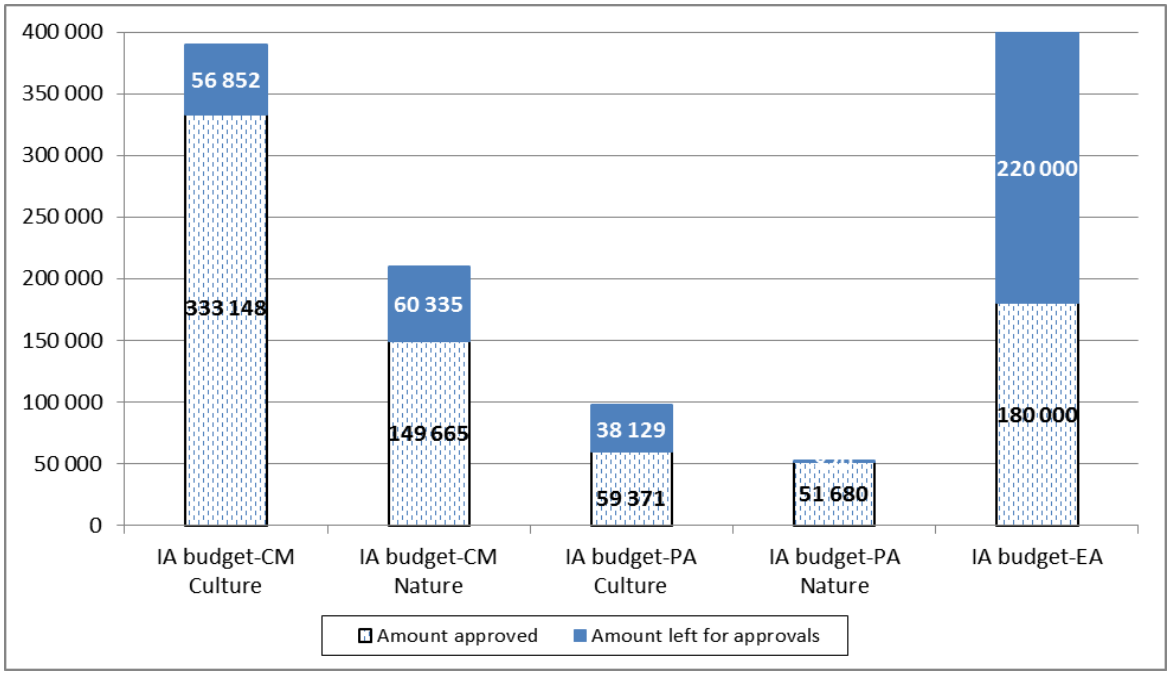
Recommendation by the International Assistance panel

17 January 2018
Request to be sent to the World Heritage Committee for non-approval, because this activity is not a current priority at the site and other funding could be sought (either the 'Special Fund' whose creation was recommended by the 2017 reactive monitoring mission or European institutions).

II. STATUS OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 2018-2019 AS OF 28 MAY 2018

2. The International Assistance budget approved for the biennium 2018-2019 by Decision **41 COM 14** is the same as the 2016-2017 budget, i.e. US$ 600,000 for Conservation & Management Assistance and US$ 150,000 for Preparatory Assistance. Nonetheless, it should be recalled that this budget is only 50% of the budget approved 12 years ago (US$ 0.75 million in 2018-2019 against US$ 1.5 million in 2006-2007), whereas the number of World Heritage properties inscribed has increased by 29,2% during the same period. The Emergency Assistance budget has remained stable for the past twelve years, at US$ 400,000 for the biennium.

3. As can be seen from the chart below, as of 28 May 2018, the 2018-2019 Conservation & Management Assistance and Preparatory Assistance budgets have been largely used or earmarked for requests recommended for approval. This leaves roughly 21% of the budget for the 2019 cycle.



Figures in US dollars.
PA = Preparatory Assistance; CM = Conservation & Management assistance; EA = Emergency assistance

4. There is also around US$ 70,000 additional funds earmarked for International Assistance still available; however this amount comes almost exclusively from savings made in the implementation of requests approved in previous years and not from new contributions.

5. From 2010 to 2018, contributions received from Italy, India, private partnerships, the Republic of Korea, Finland, the Philippines, Turkey, Germany and Viet Nam under the World Heritage Fund for a total amount of **US$ 882,653** (without support costs) made it possible to approve more than 30 requests, out of which 53% were from Least Developed Countries and 59% from Africa. The Committee, by Decision **41 COM 13**, paragraph 4, has strongly appealed to all States Parties to contribute extra-budgetary funds for International Assistance by choosing among the options described in Resolution **19 GA 8**. It may wish to reiterate this appeal.

6. In case the remaining funds for International Assistance in 2019 turn out insufficient, it will be important to ensure use of additional funds, as appropriate, in view of not jeopardizing the International Assistance mechanism, which is an indispensable tool for the implementation of the Convention at country level, especially in Africa, developing countries and SIDS.

7. If despite this increase in the budget there still remain requests recommended for approval which cannot be financed due to lack of funds, they will be publicized on the MartketPlace webpage for International Assistance. States Parties to the Convention and other potential donors will be informed accordingly via a circular letter and other suitable means.

III. PROPOSAL BY THE INTERNAL OVERSIGHT SERVICE WITH REGARD TO THE INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROCESS

8. In line with its mandate given by the World Heritage Committee at its 41st session (Krakow, 2017), the Ad hoc working group examined the recommendations made by the Internal Oversight Service (IOS) in its "Comparative Mapping Study of Forms and Models for use of Advisory Services by International Instruments and Programmes" (document WHC/17/41.COM/INF.14.II). Recommendation n°4 of this study suggested to "… *envisage changing working methods and incorporate practices of other international instruments / programmes to generate efficiencies*", taking into account the tables and findings related to this Recommendation, as well as the comparative tables with other conventions and programmes included in the Annex. 3. It is to be noted that as this recommendation was worded in a general way, it may address not solely the financial aspects of advisory services as such but also efficiencies in a larger sense.

9. In relation to this Recommendation, Table 4 of IOS' study proposed changes in the evaluation of International Assistance requests, namely to "…*reduce the role of the Advisory Bodies in assessing international assistance and align with the practice of 2003 Convention*…".

10. At the time of preparation of this document, the ad hoc working group is in the process of examining different options with regard to International Assistance. The outcomes are presented in document WHC/18/42.COM/12A.

IV. DRAFT DECISION

Draft Decision: 42 COM 13

The World Heritage Committee,

1. Having examined Document WHC/18/42.COM/13,

2. Decides to approve the International Assistance request from Albania entitled "Development of an integrated management plan of Gjirokastra and Berat", for an amount of US$ 30,460 under the Conservation & Management-Culture budget

3. Decides not to approve the International Assistance request from Ukraine entitled "Purchase of the trailing lift (hoist) with a telescopic boom Dinolift 150T";

4. *Recalling Decision **41 COM 13**, paragraph 4, strongly appeals to all States Parties to contribute for International Assistance by choosing among the options described in Resolution **19 GA 8**.*

ANNEX

I. INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS IN 2018-2019 (AS OF 28 MAY 2018)

A. 19 INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS APPROVED IN 2018-2019 UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE BUDGET (as of 28 May 2018)

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE (12 requests)				**243 002**		
Culture (7 requests)				**127 931**		
AFR	**Mali**	Restoration and enhancement of the Tomb of Askia in Gao	**Tomb of Askia** ***(on the World Heritage List since 2004 and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2012)***	24 585	6 February 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.4, C.12, D.18, E.34, E.35
AFR	**Mali**	Protection and enhancement of the property 'OId Towns of Djenné'	**Old Towns of Djenné** ***(on the World Heritage List since 1988 and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2016)***	24 580	6 February 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.4, C.12, D.18, E.34, E.35
AFR	**Mali**	Validation meeting of the management and conservation plans of the four World Heritage sites in Mali	**Tomb of Askia; Timbuktu; Old Towns of Djenné** ***(on the World Heritage List since 2004 and 1988 on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2016 and 2012)***; Cliff of Bandiagara - Land of the Dogons *(on the World Heritage List since 1988)*	4 150	16 March 2018	n.a.

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
AFR	**Senegal**	Mapping and training of tourist guides on Bassari, Bedik and Fula cultural landscapes	Bassari Country: Bassari, Fula and Bedik Cultural Landscapes *(on the World Heritage List since 2012)*	15 600	6 February 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.13, D.18, E.34, E.35
AFR	**Uganda**	Restoration of the Bujjakukula (Gate House) at the Kasubi Royal Tombs of Buganda Kings	**Tombs of Buganda Kings at Kasubi *(on the World Heritage List since 2001 and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2010)***	24 071	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.4, C.10, C.12, C.14, D.18, E.34, E.35
EUR	Ukraine	Modernization of the Hydrogeological Monitoring System of the Territory of the Ensemble of Buildings of St. Sophia Cathedral and Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra	Kiev: Saint-Sophia Cathedral and Related Monastic Buildings, Kiev-Pechersk Lavra *(on the World Heritage List since 1990)*	29 945	6 February 2018	A.1, A.2, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, D.18, E.34, E.35
LAC	Mexico	Risk assessment methodology implementation and preparation of a risk management plan for the Archaeological Monuments Zone of Xochicalco, World Heritage site	Archaeological Monuments Zone of Xochicalco *(on the World Heritage List since 1999)*	5 000	27 April 2018	n.a.
Nature (4 requests)				**101 015**		
AFR	**Democratic Rep. of the Congo**	Habitat Management and Key Species Monitoring in Garamba National Park	**Garamba National Park *(on the World Heritage List since 1980 and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 1996)***	30 000	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.4, C.10, C.12, C.13, D.18, E.34
AFR	**Democratic Rep. of the Congo**	Organization of the overflight	**Kahuzi-Biega National Park *(on the World Heritage List since 1980***	21 700	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.4, C.10, C.12, D.18, E.34, E.35

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
			and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 1997)			
AFR	Côte d'Ivoire	Strengthening surveillance against gold mining and poaching inside the Tai National Park	Taï National Park *(on the World Heritage List since 1982)*	19 565	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, D.18, E.34
APA	Viet Nam	The management effectiveness evaluation of Ha Long Bay - a World Natural Heritage site	Ha Long Bay *(on the World Heritage List since 1994)*	29 750	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.8, C.10, C.11, C.12, D.18, E.34
Mixed (1 request)				**14 056**		
AFR	**Lesotho**	Strengthening Sehlabathebe community conservation forum to enhance community involvement in the conservation and management of the Maloti Drakensberg Park World Heritage site	Maloti-Drakensberg Park *(on the World Heritage List since 2000, extension in 2013)*	14 056	6 February 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.14, D.18, E.34, E.35
PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE (4 requests)				**97 249**		
Culture (1 request)				**29 970**		
AFR	**Comoros**	Assistance in assembling the nomination file of 'Sultanats Historiques des Comores' as a UNESCO World Heritage Site	Sultanats Historiques des Comores *(on Tentative List since 2007)*	29 970	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, C.14, C.15, C.16, D.18, D.19, E.24, E.27
Nature (1 request)				**22 279**		
AFR	**Djibouti**	Achievement of feasibility study for a nomination of 'Parc National de la forêt du Day' to the UNESCO World Heritage List	Parc National de la forêt du Day *(on Tentative List since 2015)*	22 279	6 February 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.14, D.18, E.24, E.27
Mixed (2 requests)				**45 000**		
LAC	Honduras	Preparation of a Tentative list of cultural and natural properties suitable for	n.a.	20 000	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.5, B.8, C.10, C.11, C.13, C.14,

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
		inclusion in the World Heritage List of UNESCO				D.18, E.29, E.30
LAC	Peru	Preparation of the Tentative List of cultural, natural and mixed properties of Peru for inclusion in the World Heritage List.	n.a.	25 000	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.5, B.8, C.10, C.11, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.29, E.30
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (3 requests)				**180 000**		
Culture (3 requests)				**180 000**		
LAC	Mexico	Restauration of the Temple of "Nuestra Señora de Loreto" (Our Lady of Loreto) and the "Oratory of San Felipe Neri (La Profesa)" in the Historic Centre of Mexico City due to earthquake impacts	Historic Centre of Mexico City and Xochimilco *(on the World Heritage List since 1987)*	60 000	23 January 2018	A.2, C.10, C.11, C.12, D.18, D.19, E.21, E.22
LAC	Mexico	Stabilization and restauration of two 16th-Century Monasteries in Tlayacapan, Morelos and Tochimilco, Puebla due to earthquake impacts	Earliest 16th-Century Monasteries on the Slopes of Popocatepetl *(on the World Heritage List since 1994)*	60 000	23 January 2018	A.2, C.10, C.11, C.12, D.18, D.19, E.21, E.22
LAC	Mexico	Reconstruction and restoration of Puebla Basilica dome due to earthquake impacts	Historic Centre of Puebla *(on the World Heritage List since 1987)*	60 000	23 January 2018	A.2, C.10, C.11, C.12, D.18, D.19, E.21, E.22

B. 2 INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS APPROVED IN 2018-2019 UNDER THE FUNDS EARMARKED FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE (as of 28 May 2018)

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites in danger)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE (2 requests)				**57 036**		
Mixed (2 requests)				**57 036**		
AFR	**South Sudan**	Capacity building and implementation strategy for the World Heritage Convention in South Sudan	n.a.	29 900	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.5, B.8, C.10, C.13? C.14, E.29, E.30, E.31
APA	DPR Korea	Preparation of nomination of Mt. Kumgang and the Historical Relics in and around the Mountain focusing on upstream advice and guidance in the identification of the potential OUV	Mt. Kumgang and the Historical Relics in and around the Mountain *(on Tentative List since 2000)*	27 136	17 May 2018	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.8, C.10, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.24, E.25

C. 10 INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS NOT APPROVED IN 2018-2019 (as of 28 May 2018)

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites in danger)	Decision date	Reason for non-approval
CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE (5 requests)					
Culture (5 requests)					
AFR	**Eritrea**	Improved conservation and management of Asmara: a modernist city of Africa World Heritage site through an architectural design competition for Fiat Tagliero building and its surrounding public spaces	Asmara: a Modernist City of Africa *(on the World Heritage List since 2017)*	6 February 2018	This activity is not a priority for funding under the World Heritage Fund.

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites in danger)	Decision date	Reason for non-approval
AFR	**Kenya**	Enhancing The Visitor Experience, Safety and Security at the Fort Jesus World Heritage Site Through Improved Interpretation and Presentation as well as Emergency Response	Fort Jesus, Mombasa *(on the World Heritage List since 2011)*	6 February 2018	This activity is not a priority for the site.
APA	Uzbekistan	Management of the World Heritage properties in Uzbekistan	Samarkand – Crossroad of Cultures *(on the World Heritage List since 2001)* **Historic Centre of Shakhrisyabz *(on the World Heritage List since 2000 and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2016)***	17 May 2018	The revised version did not take into account the recommendation of the panel of January 2018 (which asked for a focus on capacity building activities).
EUR	Belarus	The preparation and development of the management plan for the World Heritage site the Architectural, residential and cultural complex of the Radziwill family at Nesvizh, the Republic of Belarus	Architectural, Residential and Cultural Complex of the Radziwill Family at Nesvizh *(on the World Heritage List since 2005)*	6 February 2018	According to the replies of the State Party to the Periodic Reporting questionnaire, there is currently a management plan in force for this property.
EUR	Bulgaria	World Heritage for the world audience – Research for a better management (WARM)	n.a.	6 February 2018	This activity is rather similar to another one (International Assistance request n°2763) already approved in 2016.

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites in danger)	Decision date	Reason for non-approval
PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE (5 requests)					
Culture (2 requests)					
AFR	**Eritrea**	Qohaito Cultural Landscape: technical improvement of the map and management	Qoahito Cultural Landscape *(on Tentative List since 2011)*	6 February 2018	The objective of the request should not be the mapping of the site but an assessment of the potential of the 'Qohaito Cultural Landscape' for World Heritage listing. The scope of the revision needed is therefore so wide that it would entail the submission of a completely new request.
EUR	Belarus	Organization of an advisory mission of international experts in cultural and natural heritage sites for completion of 'Augustow Canal' file for submission to UNESCO World Heritage List	Augustow Canal *(on Tentative List since 2004)*	6 February 2018	The nomination dossier submitted in 2008 for this site was evaluated for non-inscription and an International Assistance request on this same topic was not approved in 2016.
Nature (1 request)					
EUR	Bosnia & Herzegovina	Preparation of the nomination dossier for candidature of Vjetrenica Cave to the World Heritage List of UNESCO	Vjetrenica cave *(on Tentative List since 2004)*	6 February 2018	The issues related to the transboundary nature of the site already noted in the non-approval of a similar request in 2013 have not been clarified.
Mixed (2 requests)					
AFR	**Malawi**	Development of Nomination Dossiers. 2.1. Malawi Slave Routes and Dr. David Livingstone Trail. 2.2. Lake Chilwa Wetland	Lake Chilwa Wetland; Malawi Slave Routes and Dr. David Livingstone Trail *(on Tentative List since 2011)*	6 February 2018	The objective of the request should be an assessment of the potential of the cultural site 'Malawi Slave Routes and Dr. David Livingstone Trail' for World Heritage listing. The revision needed is therefore so extensive that it would entail the submission of a completely new request.

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites in danger)	Decision date	Reason for non-approval
AFR	**South Sudan**	Production of maps and photographic material for South Sudan potential World Heritage sites	Boma-Badingilo Migratory Landscape; Deim Zubeir – Slave route site; Sudd wetland *(on Tentative List since 2017)*	6 February 2018	It would be premature to map sites for which the potential Outstanding Universal Value has not been defined yet.

II. INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS IN 2016-2017

A. 30 INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS APPROVED IN 2016-2017 UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE BUDGET (as of 31 December 2017)

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE (20 requests)				**460 350**		
Culture (17 requests + a percentage of 1 request)				**382 517**		
AFR	Cabo Verde	Illustrated handbook on urban planning regulations at Cidade Velha	Cidade Velha, Historic Centre of Ribeira Grande *(on the World Heritage List since 2009)*	27 900	21 March 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.9, C.10, C.11, C.13, C.14, D.18, D.19
AFR	**Eritrea**	Technical capacity development	The Historic Perimeter of Asmara and its Modernist Architecture *(on Tentative List since 2005)*	30 000	17 July 2016	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.8, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, C.15, D.18, D.19, E.41, E.42, E.43
AFR	**Ethiopia**	Enhancing the management of the Fasil Ghebbi World Heritage Property with better Understanding of the World Heritage Convention	Fasil Ghebbi, Gondar Region *(on the World Heritage List since 1979)*	24 150	22 May 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.13, D.18, E.34, E.48
AFR	**Gambia**	Review and update of the management plan of the Stone Circles of Senegambia	Stone Circles of Senegambia *(on the World Heritage List since 2006)*	27 018	5 April 2016	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.34
AFR	Nigeria	Conservation and restoration of key features of the site affected or damaged during insurgent attacks on the landscape in addition to replacement of destroyed and stolen fire-fighting equipment	Sukur Cultural Landscape *(on the World Heritage List since 1999)*	19 867	21 March 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.12, C.14, D.18, E.35

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
ARB	Palestine	Management and Conservation Plan for the World Heritage Site of Palestine: Land of Olives and Vines: the Cultural Landscape of Southern Jerusalem, Battir	**Palestine: Land of Olives and Vines – Cultural Landscape of Southern Jerusalem, Battir** ***(on the World Heritage List and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2014)***	30 000	12 February 2016	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.4, C.10, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.34
ARB	Palestine	Management Plan and Conservation Plan for the World Heritage Site: Birthplace of Jesus: Church of the Nativity and the Pilgrimage Route	**Birthplace of Jesus: Church of the Nativity and the Pilgrimage Route, Bethlehem** ***(on the World Heritage List and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2012)***	30 000	18 May 2016	A.1, A.2, A.3, A.4, C.10, C.12, C.14, D.18, E.34
APA	Uzbekistan	Development of a Management Plan for the Historic Centre of Bukhara	Historic Centre of Bukhara *(on the World Heritage List since 1993)*	29 000	12 February 2016	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.12, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.34
APA	Micronesia	Initial non-invasive clearing of vegetation overgrowth at Nan Madol	**Nan Madol: Ceremonial Centre of Eastern Micronesia** ***(on the World Heritage List and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2016)***	30 000	21 March 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.4, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.14, D.18, E.35
EUR	Albania	Development of monitoring indicators for the World Heritage property "Historic Centres of Gjirokastra and Berat"	Historic Centres of Berat and Gjirokastra *(on the World Heritage List since 2005-2008)*	4 992	2 February 2016	n.a.
EUR	Albania	Regional Training Course on Emergency Response to Cultural Heritage at Risk	n.a.	26 090	22 May 2017	A.1, A.2, B.7, C.10, C.13, D.18, E.38, E.39, E.40

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
EUR	Armenia	Public awareness campaign for promotion of the World Heritage Convention	n.a.	9 980	23 October 2016	A.1, A.2, B.8, C.10, C.14, D.18, E.47, E.48
EUR	Armenia	Regional Thematic Expert Consultation meeting on sustainable management of World Heritage properties of Religious Interest focused on Eastern Europe	n.a.	24 500	22 May 2017	A.1, A.2, B.9, C.10 C.11, C.16, D.18, E.39, E.48
EUR	Bulgaria	Project for centralized control and remote monitoring of a system for precise air conditioning in the Boyana Church	Boyana Church *(on the World Heritage List since 1979)*	21 224	18 May 2016	A.1, A.2, C.10, C,12, C.15, D.18, D.19, E.34
EUR	Bulgaria	Mediaeval World Heritage properties in North East Bulgaria	n.a.	9 668	18 May 2016	A.1, A.2, C.10, C.13, D.18, E.47, E.51
EUR	Montenegro	Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) workshop	n.a.	15 500	22 May 2017	A.1, A.2, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.38, E.39, E.42
LAC	Chile	Assistance for the development of a National Action Plan for Risk Management at World Heritage Properties in Chile	n.a.	2 728	25 June 2017	A.1, A.2, B.6, B.8, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.14, D.18, D.19, E.34
LAC	Paraguay	Jesuit Missions of La Santísima Trinidad de Paraná and Jesús de Tavarangue	Jesuit Missions of La Santísima Trinidad de Paraná and Jesús de Tavarangue *(on the World Heritage List since 1993)*	19 900	22 May 2017	A.1, A.2, C.10, C.11, C.13, D.18, E.34, E.38, E.39
Nature (3 requests)				**77 833**		
AFR	Botswana	Review of the management plan for Okavango Delta World Heritage property	Okavango Delta *(on the World Heritage List since 2014)*	27 080	22 May 2017	A.1, A.2, C.10, D.11, C.13, D.18, E.34, E.37, E.38, E.39, E.43

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
AFR	**Malawi**	Strengthening the management of Lake Malawi National Park World Heritage site	Lake Malawi National Park *(on the World Heritage List since 1984)*	21 079	22 May 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.14, D.18, E.34, E.37, E.38, E.39
AFR	**Senegal**	Update of the management plan of Niokolo-Koba National Park	Niokolo-Koba National Park ***(on the World Heritage List since 1981 and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2007)***	29 674	22 May 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.34, E.37, E.38, E.39
PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE (6 requests)				**162 058**		
Culture (5 requests)				**132 290**		
AFR	**Mali**	Assistance project for the preparation of the nomination of the sacred house (Kamablon) Kangaba and associated sites including the historic site of Kurukan Fuga Kangaba and the sacred house of Kéniéro on the World Heritage List	Kamablon *(on Tentative List since 1999)*	23 890	12 February 2016	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.24, E.27
AFR	**Eritrea**	Conservation master plan of the Historic City of Asmara	The Historic Perimeter of Asmara and its Modernist Architecture *(on Tentative List since 2005)*	30 000	5 April 2016	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.24, E.27
AFR	Kenya	Revision of Thimlich Ohinga nomination dossier	The Thimlich Ohinga Cultural Landscape *(on Tentative List since 2010)*	21 400	18 May 2016	A.1, A.2, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.24, E.25, E.27
AFR	**Madagascar**	Implementation of a general heritage inventory and a mapping of the sector Haute Ville at Antananarivo	La Haute Ville d'Antananarivo *(on Tentative List since 2016)*	30 000	21 March 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.13, D.18, E.24, E.25, E.27

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites on the Danger List)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
AFR	Congo (Rep. of)	Preparation of the nomination file of 'Domaine royal de Mbé' on the World Heritage List	Domaine royal de Mbé *(on Tentative List since 2008)*	27 300	3 October 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, D.18, E.24, E.25, E.27
Mixed (1 request)				**29 468**		
AFR	**Madagascar**	Update of Madagascar Tentative List	n.a.	29 468	18 May 2016	A.1, A.2, B.3, B.5, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, C.14, D.18, E.29, E.30
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE (4 requests)				**289 530**		
Culture (2 requests)				**75 025**		
AFR	**Gambia**	Rehabilitation of the roof of the CFAO building	Kunta Kinteh Island and Related Sites *(on the World Heritage List since 2003)*	5 025	26 October 2016	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, D.18, E.21, E.22
LAC	Colombia	Repairing fire damage to heritage buildings in Salamina, Caldas, World Heritage property and capacity building in risk management	Coffee Cultural Landscape of Colombia *(on the World Heritage List since 2011)*	70 000	25 June 2017	A.1, A.2, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, D.18, E.21, E.22, E.23
Nature (2 requests)				**214 505**		
ARB	**Yemen**	Mitigation of hurricanes impacts on endemic and threatened plants of Socotra Archipelago	Socotra Archipelago *(on the World Heritage List since 2008)*	75 000	25 June 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.13, D.18, E.21
APA	Palau	Responding to the threat of feral cat introduction to the Rock Island Southern Lagoon World Heritage area	Rock Islands Southern Lagoon *(on the World Heritage List since 2012)*	139 505	15 November 2017	A.1, A.2, B.3, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.16, D.18, D.19, E.21, E.22

B. 2 INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS APPROVED IN 2016-2017 UNDER THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS EARMARKED FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE (as of 31 December 2017)

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites in danger)	Amount approved (in US$)	Approval date	Criteria applied *(based on Advisory Bodies' comments)*
CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE (2 requests)				**57 272**		
Culture (1 request)				**27 272**		
LAC	Chile	Assistance for the development of a National Action Plan for Risk Management at World Heritage Properties in Chile	n.a.	27 272	25 June 2017	A.1, A.2, B.6, B.8, C.10, C.11, C.12, C.14, D.18, D.19, E.34
Mixed (1 request)				**30 000**		
AFR	Gabon	Enhancement of Lopé	Ecosystem and Relict Cultural Landscape of Lopé-Okanda *(on the World Heritage List since 2007)*	30 000	18 May 2016	A.1, A.2, B.8, C.10, C.12, C.13, C.14, D.18, D.19

C. 8 INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS NOT APPROVED IN 2016-2017 (as of 31 December 2017)

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites in danger)	Decision date	Reason for non-approval
CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE (5 requests)					
Culture (4 requests)					
AFR	**Eritrea**	Awareness-raising workshop on World Heritage Convention and new nomination of the Historic City of Asmara	The Historic Perimeter of Asmara and its Modernist Architecture *(on Tentative List since 2005)*	23 October 2016	The workshop as described in the request would have a too narrow appeal and awareness-raising related to a nomination should intervene prior to the submission of the dossier and not during the evaluation process.
EUR	Albania	Exhibition and publication on World Heritage Sites in Albania	n.a.	21 March 2017	This activity is not a priority one. Moreover, an itinerant exhibition on World Heritage sites in Albania was funded with the support of UNESCO Office in Venice in 2015 and could be used for awareness-raising purposes.
EUR	Armenia	Technical assistance for land improvement of Sanahin Monastery Complex	Monasteries of Haghpat and Sanahin *(on the World Heritage List since 1996)*	05 April 2016	This activity would be premature at this stage; it would be necessary to have first a Plan of Management which would include an indication of priority tasks and an indicative program for conservation.
EUR	Armenia	International workshop for drafting a concept note on management plan for World Heritage sites in Armenia	n.a.	05 April 2016	This activity would be premature at this stage; it would be a logical successor to IA n°2778, once it is implemented.
Nature (1 request)					
AFR	**Madagascar**	Conservation and management of the Rainforests of the Atsinanana in partnership with local communities	**Rainforests of the Atsinanana *(on the World Heritage List since 2007 and on the List of World Heritage in Danger since 2010)***	18 May 2016	The implementation of the request approved previously (IA n°2128) must be completed before any new approval of a request for this property.

Region	State Party (in bold: Least Developed Countries)	Title	Name of properties (in bold: sites in danger)	Decision date	Reason for non-approval
PREPARATORY ASSISTANCE (3 requests)					
Culture (3 requests)					
AFR	**Ethiopia**	Preparation of proposed World Heritage Tentative List project Yeha Historical and Archaeological Site, Tigray Region	n.a.	21 March 2017	Extensive research has already been undertaken on the site of Yeha, and funding this type of work for a single entry on the Tentative List would not be the most effective use of the limited funding available under Preparatory assistance.
AFR	Ghana	Nomination of the Tongo-Tengzuk Cultural Landscape and Shrines for Inscription on the UNESCO World Heritage List	Tenzug - Tallensi settlements *(on Tentative List since 2000)*	12 February 2016	It is premature to consider the drafting of a revised nomination at this stage without substantial surveys and research on the potential Outstanding Universal Value of the cultural landscape, as well as without more work to define larger boundaries and revive traditional practices. Without all these elements, a revised nomination is unlikely to succeed.
EUR	Belarus	Organization of an advisory mission of international experts in cultural and natural Heritage for the completion of Augustow channel nomination file for submission to UNESCO World Heritage List	Augustow Canal *(on Tentative List since 2004)*	05 April 2016	The nomination dossier submitted in 2008 for this site was evaluated for non-inscription.