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Madam/Sir,

I am pleased to inform you that the Steering Group on the sub-regional capacity-building strategy, established during the last *Periodic Reporting Workshop for World Heritage National Focal Points from Central, Eastern and South-Eastern Europe* in Tbilisi, Georgia in November 2012, has worked productively in the past months. We would like to present the results of this ongoing work and share the reflections on the **sub-regional capacity-building strategy for Central, Eastern and South-Eastern Europe** during a side-event in the framework of 37th session of the World Heritage Committee.

The side event will take place on **Wednesday 19 June 2013 at 1.15 pm in Room 1 and 2 of the Peace Palace, Phnom Penh, Cambodia** and is organized by the World Heritage Center in cooperation with the Advisory Body ICCROM.

Please find enclosed the Blueprint document of the capacity-building strategy which was elaborated over the past months in cooperation between the Steering Group, the Advisory Body ICCROM and the World Heritage Centre for your information.

We look forward to seeing many of you and receiving your feedback and further ideas during the side-event.

I thank you for your continuous cooperation and support in the implementation of the *World Heritage Convention*.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Director

cc: National Commissions for UNESCO of Central, Eastern and South-Eastern Europe
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