

WORLD HERITAGE 2002 Shared Legacy, Common Responsibility

An International Congress organized by UNESCO's World Heritage Centre and the UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science in Europe

with the support of the Italian Government on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the World Heritage Convention

Cini Foundation Island of San Giorgio Maggiore, Venice, Italy

14-16 November 2002

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INTRODUCTION

The Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage was adopted by the General Conference of UNESCO at its seventeenth session in Paris on 16 November 1972. Ratified to date by 174 States Parties, it has become the most important international legal instrument for the protection of heritage. 730 cultural and natural sites have so far been inscribed on the World Heritage List, in recognition of their outstanding universal value.

To mark the 30th anniversary of the *Convention*, UNESCO with the support of the Government of Italy, is organizing an International Congress to reflect on some of the main issues, achievements and challenges of the World Heritage mission. International experts from around the world will gather to discuss the evolution of the *World Heritage Convention* and consider its role for the future.

The objectives for the Congress are three-fold:

- 1. To assess the past 30 years of implementation of the *World Heritage Convention* with respect to:
 - ? The protection of natural and cultural heritage worldwide;
 - ? The development of appropriate national and international heritage protection legislation and practices;
 - ? Capacity-building at local and regional levels for the management of World Heritage sites.
- 2. To promote the *World Heritage Convention* by:
 - ? Increasing the visibility of the Convention and the activities undertaken to protect World Heritage;
 - ? Developing new activities aimed at ensuring long-term site protection and increasing awareness of the need to preserve World Heritage.
- 3. To strengthen partnerships for World Heritage conservation by:
 - ? Identifying opportunities and mobilising support in favour of specific action programmes related to heritage conservation;
 - ? Creating synergies between World Heritage stakeholders.

Organization:

The Organization of the Congress will be managed by the World Heritage Centre in collaboration with the UNESCO Office in Venice, the City of Venice and the Veneto Region. An informal Steering Committee, composed of staff members of UNESCO, Advisory Bodies and other partner organizations, supports the work of the World Heritage Centre in preparing the programme. The logistical aspects of the Congress will be managed by a local agency, Citta d'Acqua, in close co-operation with the Centre.

Venue:

The proposed venue of the Conference is the Giorgio Cini Foundation on the island of San Giorgio in Venice, Italy.

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Dates:

The Congress will last two-and-a-half days from 14-16 November 2002. All the sessions will be plenary. Nine associated workshops will be organized in the preceding days (11-12 November) in different Italian cities.

Participants:

It is estimated that approximately 600 participants will attend the Congress. All participants, from Governmental and Intergovernmental bodies involved in conservation of cultural and natural heritage; private institutions and foundations engaged in conservation projects; NGOs; research institutions; and the media, will attend in their individual capacity.

Travel and accommodation:

A Venice based travel company, Bassani S.p.A., is available to provide assistance in handling travel and accommodation requirements.

The contact at Bassani is Lucia Bellamio and she may be contacted on: tel: +39 041 520 3644; fax: +39 041 520 4009; email: unesco.booking@bassani.it

With the help of this local tour operator, we have therefore taken the liberty of selecting a few hotels offering preferable rates. Bassani will also provide details about these and other hotels.

Patrons:

A number of high profile intellectuals, entrepreneurs and international figures have been invited to become patrons for the International Congress. Their role will be to act as advocates both for the Congress and for World Heritage and to lend their names to Congress literature. The patrons will not need to hold any preliminary meetings but will be invited to attend the Congress.

The following personalities have kindly agreed to support the Congress:

HRH Prince of Wales
HRH Princess Firyal of Jordan
HH Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan
Mr Alpha Oumar Konare
Rt. Hon. Mr P. J. Patterson, Prime Minister of Jamaica
Mrs Suzanne Mubarak
Mr Wole Soyinka
Mrs Marianna Vardinoyannis
Countess Setsuka Klossowska de Rola
Professor Charles Correa
Professor Amartya Sen
Mr Ted Turner

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PROGRAMME

14 November 2002

Morning session

9h30-11h30: Inauguration

Mr Marcio Barbosa, Deputy Director-General of UNESCO;

Hon. Nicola Bono, Undersecretary of State for Culture, Government of Italy;

Mr Paolo Costa, Mayor of Venice;

Mr Busatto, President of the Province of Venice:

Mr Giancarlo Galan, President of the Veneto Region;

Mr Mario Baccini, Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Government of Italy.

"World Heritage 2002: Shared Legacy, Common Responsibility"

Presented by Mr Alpha Oumar Konaré, Former President of Mali.

"30 Years of the World Heritage Convention"

Presented by Mr Tamás Fejérdy, the Chairperson of the World Heritage Committee

Break

12h00 - 13h00:

Theme: International Co-operation for World Heritage Conservation Co-Chaired by: Mr Mounir Bouchenaki, ADG/Culture and Mr Walter Erdelen, ADG/Science

Introduction to the issues by Mr Bouchenaki and Mr Erdelen

Special presentation by Mr Francesco Aloisi de Larderel, Ambassador Director General for Cultural Promotion and Cooperation, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs *World Heritage as a factor in cultural identity and international dialogue*

Protecting World Heritage: an International Challenge

Presented by: Mrs Christina Cameron, Director-General,

National Historic Sites Directorate, Parks Canada

This presentation should focus on the development of the World Heritage Convention and highlight its achievements as the primary model for international heritage protection. The presentation should also examine the current status of implementation of the World Heritage Convention, its strengths and limitations and should emphasise priorities for the future, particularly in areas concerning the development of normative texts, technical assistance and public information.

The International Framework of Legal Instruments

Presented by: Mr Francesco Francioni, Chair of International Law

and Vice Rector of the University of Siena

This presentation should focus on the system of international normative instruments for cultural and natural heritage preservation. The presentation should draw attention to the need to strengthen co-operation between International Conventions that concern natural and cultural heritage protection. It should further examine how this co-operation could make the World Heritage Convention more effective. Moreover, the presentation should

attempt to examine the current trends affecting the evolution and impact of these international legal instruments.

Discussion and summary

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Afternoon session

14 November

14h30 - 16h00:

Theme: Enlarging the Circle of Partners
Chaired by: Mr Jose Maria Ballester, Director,
Culture and Cultural and Natural Heritage (DG 4), Council of Europe

Introduction to the issues by Mr Ballester

Local and Regional Authorities in World Heritage Conservation

Presented by: **Mr Jaime Lerner**, Governor of Parana, Brazil and President of the International Union of Architects

In recent years there has been increasing co-operation between local and regional governments, and other local institutions involved in World Heritage conservation, aimed at developing and implementing joint projects to address issues of concern to both stakeholders. In some cases, this has been stimulated by specific decentralised co-operation policies promoted by national governments and international development institutions. A greater and more effective involvement of local institutions requires the development of adequate financial and technical support and of a system of "best practice". The presentation should address this issue, examine selected case studies and discuss an agenda for the future.

Conservation and Development: the Cities Model

Presented by: Mrs Anna Kajumolo Tibaijuka, Executive Director, UN – Habitat

Historic cities constitute one of the largest thematic categories of World Heritage. This has prompted the development of many partnerships for conservation, focusing on the design of management tools and on local capacity building. Social and economic development has been at the forefront of these long-term partnerships. The presentation should demonstrate, through case studies, how such partnerships can foster social and economic development.

Multilateral Co-operation for World Heritage Conservation

Presented by: Mr Franco Passacantando, Dean of the Executive Board, The World Bank

In recent years, increasing attention has been focused on the links between culture, sustainable development, economic growth and social cohesion. A growing number of development banks and agencies have recognised the need to help developing countries preserve their natural and cultural resources and assets. This presentation should consider the evolution of development policies and examine ways in which they might further support World Heritage conservation, drawing on a number of regional case studies.

An intervention by **Mr Yves Dauge**, Member of the French Senate for the Region of Indre et Loire and Mayor of the City of Chinon, is foreseen.

Discussion and summary

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16h30 - 18h00

Theme: Linking World Heritage Conservation and Social and Economic Development
Chaired by: Mr Achim Steiner, Director-General, IUCN

Introduction to the issues by Mr Steiner

Special presentation: Heritage, Tourism and Development

Presented by: Mr Paolo Costa, Mayor of Venice

Suggested participants:

Mr Lota Melamari - DG Tanzania National Parks

Ms Rili Hawari Djohani, Director, Nature Conservancy Coastal and Marine Indonesia Programme

Mr Dawson Munjeri, Heritage Management Expert

Mr Corrado Clini, Director General of the Ministry for the Environment of Italy

Mr Eugenio Yunis, Head of Sustainable Development of Tourism, World Tourism Organisation

Ms Frances Cairncross, Management Editor, The Economist

The Panel should examine the relationship between conservation and development in the framework of the recent debate on the role of culture in sustainable development. The Panel should examine some important examples of world natural and cultural heritage conservation demonstrating its successful link with equitable and sustainable development strategies.

Summary of debate

15 November 2002

Morning session

9h00 - 10h30

Theme: New Forms of Partnerships for Natural and Cultural Heritage Conservation Chaired by: Mrs Bonnie Burnham, President, World Monuments Fund

Introduction to the issues by Mrs Burnham

Suggested participants:

Mr Alvise Zorzi, President of the Association for the Private Committees for the Safeguarding of Venice

Mr Neil Cossons, Chairman, English Heritage

Mr Ros Borath, Director, Angkor - APSARA

Mr Karan Grover, President, The Heritage Trust

Mr Gianfranco Imperatori, Secretary General, Associazione Civita

In many countries Heritage Trusts are leading institutions to ensure long-term preservation of cultural and natural sites. The panel should debate the variety of models available both to developed and emerging countries. Focusing on recent experiences, the panel should examine the financial and institutional pre-conditions for developing heritage trusts in different socio-economic contexts.

Summary of debate

10h30 - 11h30:

Theme: World Heritage as a Flagship Programme for Nature Conservation Chaired by: Mr Tim Wirth, President, UN Foundation

Introduction to the issues by Mr Wirth

Suggested participants:

Mr William M. Eichbaum, World Wildlife Fund; Mr Russell Mittermeir, Conservation International;

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11h30 - 13h00:

Theme: Non-governmental Actors in World Heritage Conservation Chaired by: Mr Tim Whalen, Director, Getty Conservation Institute

Introduction to the issues by Mr Whalen

Special presentation: Public and Private Responsibilities in Heritage Conservation - the Case of Venice

Presented by Mr Paolo Savona, Consorzio Venezia Nuova

Suggested participants:

Ms Silvia Finguerut, Head of Cultural Heritage Department, Marinho Foundation Mrs Giulia Maria Crespi, Fondo Ambiente Italiano

Mr Stefano Bianca, Director, Historic Cities Support Programme, The Aga Khan Trust **Mr Martyn Heighton**, Territory Director Wales and the West of England, The National Trust for Places of Historic Interest or Natural Beauty

Mr Eduard Sekler, Professor of Architecture Emeritus, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University

Mr Michael Petzet, President of ICOMOS International and President of Bayerisches Landesamt fur Denkmalpflege

Non-governmental actors are playing an increasingly important role in conservation and sustainable development worldwide. Some of them have reached international status and gathered extensive public support. Their field actions, their attention to social equity and regard for the transfer of knowledge make them a key partner in any World Heritage conservation strategy. The panel will offer opportunities to illustrate the growing involvement and wide range of issues that such organizations are helping to address.

Summary of debate

Mid-day break

Afternoon Session 15 November

14h00-15h15

Theme: The Universe of Technical Skills for Cultural Heritage Conservation Chaired by: Mr Jean-Louis Luxen, Secretary-General of ICOMOS International

(Jointly prepared by the Advisory Bodies)

World Heritage thematic categories are today very diversified and include, alongside archaeological sites and monuments, cultural landscapes, cities, industrial structures and modern heritage. This great variety of heritage types calls for an increasingly complex range of skills. The panel should focus on the current and future needs of technical skills and on the way the World Heritage Advisory bodies and other partners are coping with this task.

Suggested participants

Mr G. A. Gaballa, University of Cairo (Egypt)
Mr Herb Stovel, Director, Heritage Settlements Unit, ICCROM
Mr Marino Folin, Rector, Institute of Architecture of Venice.

A special presentation by Mr Proietti of the Italian Ministry of Culture is also foreseen.

15h15-16h45

Theme: Raising Awareness and Building Capacity for World Heritage Conservation Chaired by: Mr Nicholas Stanley-Price, Director-General, ICCROM

Introduction to the issues by Mr Stanley-Price

Special presentation: Communication: a tool for Conservation

Presented by: Mr Bill Allen, Editor-in-Chief, National Geographic Magazine

Suggested participants:

Mr Tor Hundloe, Chair, Wet Tropics Management Authority, Australia

Mr Rassool Vatandoost, Director, International Cooperation Division, Iranian Cultural Heritage Organization

Ms Katya Gonzalez, Heritage Management Expert, Colombia

Mr Christoph Hauser Head of Culture Programming Department, SWR, Germany

Ms Fareera Hassan Soliman, a university professor from Ain Shams University, Egypt

Ms Margaretá Musilova, Foundation for Cultural Heritage Preservation, Slovakia

These presentations will provide an opportunity to showcase a number of interesting examples where promotional activities have contributed to the conservation process. They should also attempt to identify strengths and weaknesses in promoting of the image of World Heritage and propose ways to convey UNESCO's ethical and educational message

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to the public. Focus will also be placed on the different tools available (magazines, news services, radio and TV, the Web, etc.) and the best ways to develop effective partnerships to promote World Heritage.

Summary of debate

17h00-18h00

Theme: Membership Programmes as Vehicles for Raising Awareness Chaired by: Mr Claude Martin, Director-General, WWF International

Introduction to the issues by Mr Martin

Suggested participants:

Mr Guido Venturini, Director General, The Touring Club of Italy Mr Simon Molesworth, Chairman, The Australian Council of National Trusts Mr Michael Rands, Director, Birdlife International

The Panel should discuss the different models of public membership programmes existing at the international scale and evaluate the opportunities for developing a specific World Heritage public membership programme. Panellists may be given the opportunity to evaluate the impacts, costs and benefits of this type of programme.

Summary of debate

16 November 2002

Morning session only

09h30-11h30

Theme: Building Partnerships for World Heritage

Introduction to the issues by Maritta Koch-Weser, Earth3000 (10 min.)

Presentation by Mr Russell Train on the evolution of the World Heritage Concept and future orientations for the implementation of the Convention

Presentation of the World Heritage Partnership Initiative by Francesco Bandarin (15 min.)

5 Speakers:

1. **Mr Antonio Rodota**, Director-General, European Space Agency

2. **Mr Timothy E. Wirth**, President, United Nations Foundation

3. **Mr Gianni Brizzi**, World Bank

4. **Mr Giandomenico Magliano**, Director-General for Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Italy

The final Session of the Congress should focus on the presentation of partnerships for World Heritage and on exchanging views about the future prospects for strengthening the system of international co-operation between governmental and non-governmental actors.

11h30Mobilizing Youth for World Heritage

Presentation of a Cartoon produced by Young people during a Workshop (Treviso) and brief speech by a Young Person (5 minutes)

Brief interventions are foreseen by Patrons of the Congress

11h45 Break

12h00-13h00

Closing of the Congress

Mrs Suzanne Mubarak, First Lady of Egypt
The President of the Cini Foundation
Mr Altero Matteoli, Minister of the Environment of Italy
Mr Giuliano Urbani, Minister of Culture of Italy
The Director-General of UNESCO

13h00 - Press Conference

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CONGRESS WORKSHOPS

The following thematic workshops will be conducted before the Congress (11-12 November).

1. The Legal Tools for World Heritage Conservation

Coordinators: F. Francioni, S. Titchen WHC Focal Point: K. Lennon, M.L. Bascur

Partners: City of Siena, University of Siena, Fondazione Monte dei Paschi di Siena

Venue: Santa Maria della Scala, Siena

2. Cultural Landscapes: the Challenges of Conservation

Coordinators: P. Ceccarelli, M. Rössler

WHC Focal Point: K. Lennon

Partners: City of Ferrara, Province of Ferrara, University of Ferrara and the Nordic World Heritage

Foundation

Venue: Castello Estense, Ferrara

3. Towards Innovative Partnerships for World Heritage

Coordinators: M. Koch-Weser, F.Bandarin

WHC Focal Point: K. Lennon

Partners: City of Venice. Earth 3000 and Fondazione CARIVE

Venue: UNESCO Office, Venice

4. Partnerships for the Conservation of World Heritage Cities

Coordinators: E. Fontanari, M. Yang WHC Focal Points: J. Phares, K. Lennon

Partners: City of Urbino, City of Pesaro, Institute of Architecture of Venice, France-UNESCO

Cooperation Agreement, IFHP, INU

Venue: Urbino, Pesaro

5. Monitoring World Heritage

Coordinator: H. Stovel

WHC Focal Points: G. Boccardi, K. Lennon

Partners: City of Vicenza, Intesa Bci, ICOMOS and IUCN

Venue: Palazzo Leoni Montanari, Vicenza

6. Partnerships to Conserve Nature and Biodiversity

Coordinators: G. Glaser, N. Ishwaran

WHC Focal Point: K. Lennon

Partners: UNF, IUCN and the City of Trieste

Venue: ICTP, Trieste

7. World Heritage University Training

Coordinators: G. Puglisi, C.Negrin, M.Richon

WHC Focal Point: K. Lennon

Partners: IULM

Venue: IULM Training Centre, Feltre

8. World Heritage Site Management

Coordinators: J-M. Teutonico, C. Young, J. Taniguchi

WHC Focal Point: K. Lennon

Partners: City of Padova, Fond. CARIPA, Getty Conservation Institute, English Heritage

Venue: Caffè Pedrocchi, Padova

9. Mobilizing Youth for World Heritage (13-15 November) Coordinators: Alcuni, E. Khawajkie, V. Vujicic-Lugassy

WHC Focal Points: A. Sauvegrain, K. Lennon

Partners: Alcuni, NORAD

Venue: Treviso