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## Expert Members Meeting of the Coordination Committee Silk Roads World Heritage Serial and Transnational Nomination 22 – 23 March, 2012, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

UNESCO World Heritage Centre together with the UNESCO Offices in Almaty and Tashkent, in close cooperation with the Principal Department for the Preservation and Utilization of Cultural Objects of the Ministry of Culture and Sports of Uzbekistan and the International Institute for Central Asian Studies (IICAS), an UNESCO category II Centre located in Samarkand, Uzbekistan will organize a two days Expert Members Meeting of the Coordination Committee, Silk Roads World Heritage Serial and Transnational Nomination from 22–23 March 2012, Tashkent, Uzbekistan. This two days meeting is being significantly supported from the financial contribution made available to the UNESCO World Heritage Centre through the Belgian Science Policy Office (BELSPO).

As a follow up to the Ashgabat Agreement of May 2011 and the September 2011 Tashkent agreed a 3 - years Action Plan, the meeting will bring together about 35 participants including the national experts from the States Parties of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan Uzbekistan, and China, international and regional experts and UNESCO in order to discuss and agree upon the points below:

1. To present, to discuss and to agree upon the Final version of ICOMOS Thematic study;
2. To establish and to discuss an overall Silk Roads serial nomination(s) framework, reflecting the new guidance on serial trans-boundary nominations arising from the International World Heritage expert meeting on serial nominations and properties in Ittingen, Switzerland, February, 2010;
3. To follow up of the Ashgabat May Agreement 2011 and the September 2011 Tashkent agreed 3 - years Action Plan;
4. To update the current statute of re-activation of the existing Expert Group of delegates from Central Asia and China, in collaboration with the IICC – Xi'an, Secretariat of the Coordination Committee, through on line virtual – communications – and update the IICC-Xi'an "Newsletter" and "Silk Roads on the Cloud " communication systems;
5. To review the progress of the UNESCO Japanese Funds-in-Trust funded project on 'Support for documentation standards and procedures of the Silk Roads World Heritage Serial and Transnational Nomination in Central Asia,' and the Belgian project "Silk Roads Cultural Heritage Resource information System (CHRIS)";
6. To work on the priority of the transnational heritage corridors for the first phase of the Silk Roads nomination process: the two transnational corridors (one covering China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and another covering Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan), as well as to agree upon the detailed work plan in consideration of the submission deadline of 1 February 2013;
7. To define the scope of assistance that could be provided by an identified regional facilitator for the first phase of the nomination process, in close cooperation with the Coordinating Committee;
8. To enhance the technical capacity through the designation of National Project Managers through each respective governments.

# Provisional Programme

## 22 March 2012 - Thursday

### 09:00 – 10:00 *Opening session*

Chairperson: Mr. Abdusafikhon Rakhmanov (Board of Monuments, Uzbekistan, Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee)

- Welcome speech by the Minister of Culture and Sport of the Republic of Uzbekistan
- Welcome speech by Mr. Jorge Ivan Espinal, Head of UNESCO Office in Tashkent
- Greeting from Mr Guo Zhan, Vice President, ICOMOS, China, Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee
- Objectives of the meeting by Dr. Roland Lin, UNESCO, World Heritage Centre
- Introduction of participants
- Group photo

### 10:00 – 10:30 *Coffee/tea break*

### 10:30 – 11:30 *Session I*

**To present, to discuss and to agree upon the Final version of ICOMOS Thematic study**

Chairpersons: Mr. Abdusafikhon Rakhmanov (Board of Monuments, Uzbekistan, Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee) & Mr Guo Zhan  
(Vice President, ICOMOS, China, Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee)

Presenter: Professor Tim William (UCL, ICOMOS Expert for Silk Roads Thematic Studies)

### 11:30 – 12:30 *Session II*

**To establish and to discuss an overall Silk Roads serial nomination(s) framework**

Chairpersons: Dr. Roland Lin (UNESCO, World Heritage Centre) & Kazakhstan representative

Presenter: Mr Guo Zhan (Vice President, ICOMOS, China, Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee)

### 12:30 – 14:00 *LUNCH*

**14:00 – 16:00 *Session III***

**To update the international collaboration and support for the Central Asian Silk Roads serial nomination(s)**

Chairpersons: Mr. Jorge Ivan Espinal (Head of UNESCO Office in Tashkent) & Kyrgyzstan representative

Presenters:

1. IICC – Xi'an (Secretariat of the Coordination Committee): on line virtual – communications – and update the IICC-Xi'an "Newsletter" and "Silk Roads on the Cloud" communication systems;
2. Mr. Kazuya Yamauchi (Japan) & Yuri Peshkov (UNESCO Almaty): UNESCO Japanese Funds-in-Trust funded project on 'Support for documentation standards and procedures of the Silk Roads World Heritage Serial and Transnational Nomination in Central Asia,'
3. Ms. Ona Vileikis Tamayo (Belgium) & Mr. Dmitry VOYAKIN (Kazakhstan, regional facilitator) : Belgian project "Silk Roads Cultural Heritage Resource information System (CHRIS)"
4. Dr. Roland Lin (UNESCO World Heritage Centre) & Yuri Peshkov (UNESCO Almaty): UNESCO Norwegian Funds-in-Trust funded project final UNESCO-ICOMOS publication of Silk Roads World Heritage Serial and Transnational Nomination in Central Asia

**16:00 – 16:30 *Coffee/tea break***

**16:30 – 17:30 *Session IV***

**To discuss the progress made of the Ashgabat May Agreement 2011 and the September 2011 Tashkent agreed 3 - year Action Plan**

Chairpersons: Sanjar Allayarov (UNESCO Tashkent) & Uzbekistan representative

Presenter: Professor Tim William (UCL, ICOMOS Expert for Silk Roads Thematic Studies) & Mr. Dmitry VOYAKIN (Kazakhstan, regional facilitator)

**17:30 – 18:30 *Session V***

**To define and to discuss the scope of assistance that could be provided by an identified regional facilitator & capacity building**

Chairpersons: Professor Tim William (UCL, ICOMOS Expert for Silk Roads Thematic Studies) & Turkmenistan representative

Presenter: Mr. Dmitry VOYAKIN (Kazakhstan, regional facilitator)

**19:30 – 21:00 *DINNER***

## 23 March 2012 - Friday

### 09:00 – 10:30 *Session VI*

**To present the progress and to discuss the two transnational corridors (one covering China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and another covering Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan)**

Chairpersons: Mr. Yuri Peshkov (UNESCO Almaty) & Tajikistan representative

Presenters:

1. China + Kyrgyzstan + Kazakhstan (coordinated by & Mr Guo Zhan, Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee)
2. Uzbekistan + Tajikistan + Turkmenistan (coordinated by Mr. Abdusafikhon Rakhmanov, Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee)
3. Professor Tim William (UCL, ICOMOS Expert for Silk Roads Thematic Studies)

### 10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee/tea break*

### 11:00 – 12:00 *Session VII*

**To present, to discuss and to agree upon the detailed work plan in consideration of the first Silk Roads serial and transnational submission deadline of 1 February 2013**

Chairpersons/ Presenters: Mr. Abdusafikhon Rakhmanov (Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee) & Mr Guo Zhan (Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee)

### 12:00 – 12:30 *Session VIII*

**To discuss the preparation of the 3rd Silk Roads Coordination Committee meeting (September-October 2012, Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan) and how to enhance the technical capacity of the National Project Managers of each respective governments**

Chairpersons: Mr. Shahin Mustafayev (Director, International Institute for Central Asian Studies -IICAS) & Mr. Yuri Peshkov (UNESCO Almaty)

Presenters : Mrs./Dr. Amanbayeva Bakyt (Kyrgyzstan) & Mr. Dmitry VOYAKIN (Kazakhstan, regional facilitator)

### 12:30 – 13:00 *Closing session*

Chairpersons: Mr. Abdusafikhon Rakhmanov (Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee) & Mr Guo Zhan (Co-chair, Silk Roads Coordination Committee)

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