Periodic Reporting
Reflection Survey

A Summary of Results

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Survey Results Overview
Key Statistics and Sample Overview

Total Number of States Parties: 75

Response Rate for Survey: 40%

Regional Breakdown of Responses:

- Africa: 16
- Asia Pacific: 05
- Arab States: 08
- Europe and North America: 42
- Latin America and Caribbean: 13
Relevance and Importance of Periodic Reporting
On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate the importance of the aforementioned Periodic Reporting objectives for your State Party.

**Objective 1**: to provide an assessment of the application of the World Heritage Convention by the State Party

- **46%** of the States Parties gave the highest importance rating of 5 to **Objective 1** of Periodic Reporting;

- **31%** of the States Parties gave the second highest importance rating of 4 to **Objective 1** of Periodic Reporting;

- Average importance rating of **4.1** across all regions.
On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate the importance of the aforementioned Periodic Reporting objectives for your State Party.

Objective 2: to provide an assessment as to whether the Outstanding Universal Value of the properties inscribed on the World Heritage List is being maintained over time

- **62%** of the States Parties gave the highest importance rating of 5 to **Objective 2** of Periodic Reporting;

- **23%** of the States Parties gave the second highest importance rating of 4 to **Objective 2** of Periodic Reporting;

- Average importance rating of **4.36** across all regions.
On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate the importance of the aforementioned Periodic Reporting objectives for your State Party.

Objective 3: to provide updated information about the World Heritage properties to record the changing circumstances and state of conservation of the properties

- **55%** of the States Parties gave the highest importance rating of 5 to **Objective 3** of Periodic Reporting;

- **33%** of the States Parties gave the second highest importance rating of 4 to **Objective 3** of Periodic Reporting;

- Average importance rating of **4.33** across all regions.
On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate the importance of the aforementioned Periodic Reporting objectives for your State Party.

**Objective 4:** to provide a mechanism for regional co-operation and exchange of information and experiences among States Parties concerning the implementation of the Convention and World Heritage conservation

- **24%** of the States Parties gave the highest importance rating of 5 to **Objective 4** of Periodic Reporting;

- **37%** of the States Parties gave the second highest importance rating of 4 to **Objective 4** of Periodic Reporting;

- Average importance rating of **3.69** across all regions.
Do you agree that the objectives mentioned above were adequately addressed in the Periodic Report during the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting?

- **71%** of the States Parties stated that the Objectives of Periodic Reporting were **adequately addressed** during the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting;

- **Regional breakdown of responses:**

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<td>69%</td>
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<td>71%</td>
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If not, then which objectives stated below were NOT adequately addressed?

- However, **40%** of the States Parties stated that **Objective 4** of Periodic Reporting was not adequately addressed in the Periodic Report during the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting;

- **Objective 4**: to provide a **mechanism for regional co-operation** and **exchange of information and experiences** among States Parties concerning the implementation of the Convention and World Heritage conservation.
Should there be further additions to the objectives of Periodic Reporting?

- **70%** of the States Parties stated that there should be **NO further additions** to the Objectives of Periodic Reporting;
Did the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting improve the awareness and understanding of the requirements of the World Heritage Convention among national authorities and site managers?

- **84%** of the States Parties stated that the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting **improved the awareness and understanding of the requirements of the World Heritage Convention** among national authorities and site managers.
Did the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting improve the mobilization of stakeholders at site level in the monitoring and management of World Heritage properties?

- **56%** of the States Parties stated that the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting **improved** the mobilization of stakeholders at site level in the monitoring and management of World Heritage properties while **44%** stated that it did not.
Periodicity
Q. Would you recommend increasing or reducing the aforementioned time frame of the Periodic Reporting cycle?

- **72%** of the States Parties stated that they are satisfied with the current time frame of a Periodic Reporting cycle and want **NO changes** to it.

  ![Bar chart](chart.png)
  - **Increase**: 13%
  - **Reduce**: 14%
  - **No Change**: 72%

Is your State Party satisfied with the current time frame of a Periodic Reporting cycle?

- 86% of the States Parties stated that they are satisfied with the current time frame of a Periodic Reporting cycle while only 14% stated that they are not.
Were your national authorities given adequate time (i.e. one year) to gather necessary information to fill in the Periodic Reporting questionnaire during the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting?

- **85%** of the States Parties stated that their national authorities were given **adequate time** (i.e. one year) to gather **necessary information** to fill in the Periodic Reporting questionnaire during the Second Cycle of Periodic Reporting.
Training and Guidance
Were the national authorities/focal points for World Heritage given sufficient training and guidance to fill in the Periodic Reporting questionnaire by the World Heritage Centre?

- **82%** of the States Parties stated that their national authorities/focal points for World Heritage were given **sufficient training and guidance** to fill in the Periodic Reporting questionnaire by the World Heritage Centre.
Were the site managers given sufficient training and guidance to fill in Section II of the Periodic Reporting questionnaire?

- 80% of the States Parties stated that their site managers were **given sufficient training and guidance to fill in Section II** of the Periodic Reporting questionnaire.
Were the online resources, video tutorials, FAQ’s and other tools prepared by the World Heritage Centre regarding Periodic Reporting adequate for your national authorities and site managers?

- **83%** of the States Parties stated that the online resources, video tutorials, FAQ’s and other tools prepared by the World Heritage Centre regarding Periodic Reporting were adequate for their national authorities and site managers.
Which training method(s) would be most effective in training/preparing your national authorities and site managers regarding the Periodic Reporting process?

- 54% of the States Parties stated that Focal Point Workshops would be the most effective training method for national authorities and site managers followed by Regional Webinars and Video Tutorials.
Format and Content of the Periodic Reporting Questionnaire
• 61% of the States Parties stated that the length of the questionnaire should **NOT** be reduced/streamlined.
Q Should there be more emphasis within the questionnaire on presenting positive achievements of States Parties across the region?

- 80% of the States Parties stated that there should be more emphasis within the PR questionnaire on presenting positive achievements of States Parties across the region.
Use of Data
On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate the usefulness of the data presented in the Second Cycle Periodic Report to achieve the Periodic Reporting objectives for your State Party.

Objective 1: to provide an assessment of the application of the World Heritage Convention by the State Party

- **37%** of the States Parties gave the highest importance rating of 5 regarding the usefulness of the data to achieve Objective 1;

- **29%** of the States Parties gave the second highest importance rating of 4 regarding the usefulness of the data to achieve Objective 1;

- Average usefulness of data rating of **3.82** across all regions.
On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate the usefulness of the data presented in the Second Cycle Periodic Report to achieve the Periodic Reporting objectives for your State Party

Objective 2: to provide an assessment as to whether the Outstanding Universal Value of the properties inscribed on the World Heritage List is being maintained over time

- **42%** of the States Parties gave the highest importance rating of 5 regarding the usefulness of the data to achieve Objective 2;

- **28%** of the States Parties gave the second highest importance rating of 4 regarding the usefulness of the data to achieve Objective 2;

- Average usefulness of data rating of **4.00** across all regions.
Objective 3: to provide up-dated information about the World Heritage properties to record the changing circumstances and state of conservation of the properties

- 43% of the States Parties gave the highest importance rating of 5 regarding the usefulness of the data to achieve Objective 3;

- 28% of the States Parties gave the second highest importance rating of 4 regarding the usefulness of the data to achieve Objective 3;

- Average usefulness of data rating of 4.03 across all regions.
On a scale of 1 to 5, please rate the usefulness of the data presented in the Second Cycle Periodic Report to achieve the Periodic Reporting objectives for your State Party

**Objective 4:** to provide a mechanism for regional co-operation and exchange of information and experiences among States Parties concerning the implementation of the Convention and World Heritage conservation

- **22%** of the States Parties gave the highest importance rating of 5 regarding the usefulness of the data to achieve Objective 4;

- **32%** of the States Parties gave the second highest importance rating of 4 regarding the usefulness of the data to achieve Objective 4;

- Average usefulness of data rating of **3.54** across all regions
65% of the States Parties stated that their national authorities use the Periodic Reporting Action Plan as a tool to set national priorities/strategies/policies for the protection, management and conservation of heritage.
Does your State Party use the data derived from the Periodic Report for the purpose of fundraising?

- **28%** of the States Parties stated that they use the data derived from the Periodic Report for the purpose of **fundraising**.
Periodic Reporting Web Platform
On a scale of 1 to 5, how would you rate the ‘ease of use’ of the online questionnaire regarding Periodic Reporting?

- **68%** of the States Parties rate the ease of use of the online questionnaire as: *Easy/Moderate Difficulty*
Are you satisfied with the information uploaded on the World Heritage Centre website regarding Periodic Reporting?

- **89%** of the States Parties stated that they are satisfied with the information uploaded on the World Heritage Centre website regarding Periodic Reporting.
Financial Resources
How or in which manner would your State Party be willing to contribute to/finance the next cycles of Periodic Reporting?

- **26%** of the States Parties stated that they would be willing to contribute to/finance PR Workshops for Focal Points
- **18%** of the States Parties stated that they would be willing to contribute to/finance Coordination and Expertise at the World Heritage Centre
Would your State Party welcome a Global World Heritage Report at the end of the next Periodic Reporting cycle?

- 81% of the States Parties stated that they would welcome a Global World Heritage Report at the end of the next Periodic Reporting cycle.