

# Report for the 40th Session of the World Heritage Committee Istanbul (Turkey), 10 to 20 July 2016

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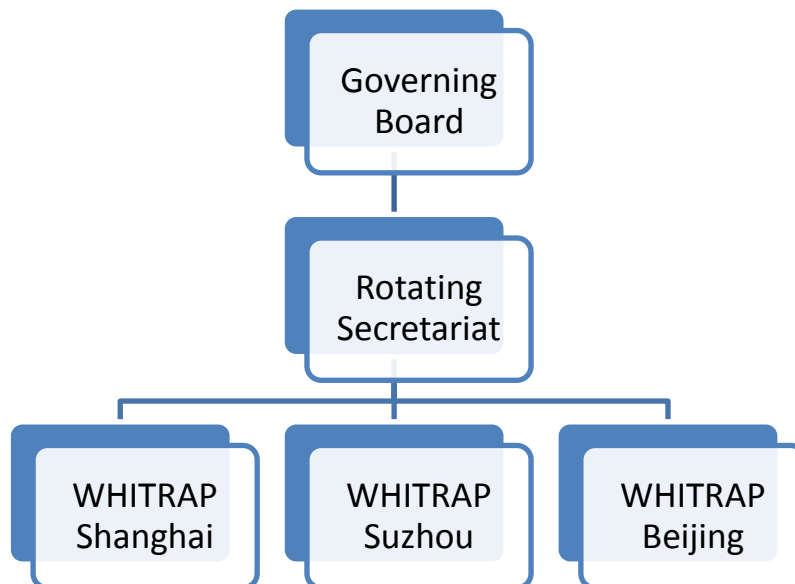
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## **1. Institutional and operational structure of the Centre (Governing Board, Staffing, Operational funding and premises)**



The Rotating Secretariat has been located in Shanghai since 2012, which has three staff.

WHITRAP Shanghai is supported by Tongji University, which has 11 staff.

WHITRAP Suzhou is supported by the Suzhou Municipal Government, which has 9 staff.

WHITRAP Beijing is supported by Peking University, which has 7 staff.

**2. Updates on the management of the Centre – particularly on meetings of the Governing Board and key decisions adopted**

Not applicant.

**3. Programs and activities implemented since April 2015 and planned for the current year**

<b>N.</b>	<b>Title of the activity</b>	<b>Reference to WHCBS<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>1</b>	Organizing the Training Course on ‘Plateau World Heritage Conservation’, Qinghai, 27-28 June 2016	<b>7.2</b>
<b>2</b>	Organizing the Training Course on ‘the Classical Gardens of Suzhou Conservation’, Suzhou, June 2016	<b>3.4</b>
<b>3</b>	Organizing the Training on the ‘World Heritage and Sustainable Tourism’, Shanghai and Suzhou, 13 -19 June 2016	<b>1.1, 1.3, 2.2, 3.4, 3.7, 4.3, 7.2, 7.3</b>
<b>4</b>	Organizing the Workshop on Reclaiming Identify and (Re) Materializing Pasts Approaches to Heritage Conservation in China, Suzhou, 6 April 2016	<b>1.1</b>
<b>5</b>	Declaring Supports to the Ministry of Science and Technology of China on the Project on ‘World Natural Heritage Declare Conservation Strategy’, Beijing, March - May 2016	<b>2.3, 2.4, 3.1, 3.6</b>
<b>6</b>	Undertaking the Project on ‘Cultural Heritage Demonstration and Spreading Base, Shanghai’ and Heritage Educative Community Project of the ‘City Growth rings’, Shanghai, 27 March 2016	<b>8.1, 8.2</b>
<b>7</b>	Organizing the Activity on the Theme of Community Building, ‘My Community, My Zone – Planning Concept and Operation Mechanism of Participatory Community’, Shanghai, 21 March 2016	<b>8.2</b>
<b>8</b>	Organizing the Course on ‘Suzhou Classical Gardens Monitoring Lecture for Students— World Heritage Little Inspector’, Suzhou, 26 January 2016	<b>7.2</b>
<b>9</b>	Participating the Conference on the ‘Establishment of the Chinese Society of Landscape Architecture and Cultural Landscape Committee’, Shanghai, 17 January 2016	<b>4.8, 5.2,</b>
<b>10</b>	Organizing the Consultation on ‘Feasibility Study of World Heritage Declaration of Mount Taihangshan’, Hebei, 10 January 2016	<b>2.1</b>
<b>11</b>	Organizing the International Conference on ‘Revisiting the Philosophy of Preserving Wooden	<b>4.8, 5.2,</b>

<sup>1</sup>WHCBS stands for the World Heritage Capacity Building Strategy (see: <http://whc.unesco.org/archive/2011/whc11-35com-9Be.pdf> )

	Structures: Value of Wooden Structures in Asia and the Concept of Authenticity', Japan, 16-17 December 2015	
<b>12</b>	Organizing the Training Course on 'International Fossil Heritage Conservation', Guizhou, 15-17 December 2015	<b>5.2, 5.3</b>
<b>13</b>	Organizing the International Training on Historical Urban Landscape (HUL), Shanghai, 14-17 December 2015	<b>1.1, 1.3, 2.2, 3.7, 4.3,</b>
<b>14</b>	Participating the Regional Seminar on 'The Pacific Region World Heritage Action Plan (2016-2020)', Fiji, 1 December 2015	<b>4.8,</b>
<b>15</b>	Organizing the Joint Design Exhibition on 'China-France Architecture and Urban-rural Heritage Protection', Shanghai, November – December 2015	<b>3.3</b>
<b>16</b>	Organizing the Forum on 'World Heritage Conservation and Cultural Tourism Development', Suzhou, 11 November 2015	<b>3.7</b>
<b>17</b>	Organizing the Seminar of China-France Cooperation on 'Rural Cultural Heritage – Protection and Development of Old Villages in Wanan', Anhui, 5-6 November 2015	<b>3.3</b>
<b>19</b>	Cooperating with CAUP of Tongji University, Cities of Architecture and Heritage, and the Association of the Small Characteristic Cities in France on China-France Convention, Shanghai, 2 November 2015	<b>4.8,</b>
<b>20</b>	Undertaking the Translation, Design and Publishing of the 'UNESCO World Heritage Sustainable Tourism Toolkit', Shanghai, April – November 2015	<b>3.1, 4.1, 4.4, 7.3,</b>
<b>21</b>	Organizing the Forum on 'World Heritage Youth Education Development', Suzhou, 29 October 2015	<b>7.2</b>
<b>22</b>	Participating the 'World Heritage Leadership Meeting', Norway, 28-30 October 2015	<b>1.4</b>
<b>23</b>	Organizing the Training Course on 'Suzhou Gardens Protection and Management', Suzhou, 27 October 2015	<b>3.4</b>
<b>24</b>	Cooperating with Italian Local and Regional Authorities and Institutions on 'the HUL Approach and Research Agreement', Italy, 29 September 2015	<b>4.8,</b>
<b>25</b>	Organizing the Activity on 'The 11 <sup>th</sup> International Youth Summer Camp on Chinese World Heritage', Suzhou, 16 August 2015	<b>7.2</b>
<b>26</b>	Cooperating with the Housing and Construction	<b>4.8,</b>

	Office of Anhui Province and Huangshan Municipal Government on 'The Protection of Cultural Heritage and Sustainable Urban Development', Anhui, 8 August 2015	
<b>27</b>	Undertaking the Research and Publishing the 'Conservation Management Guidelines for Traditional Courtyard Houses and Environment in the Ancient City of Pingyao', Shanxi, August 2015	<b>2.1, 3.1, 4.1, 7.1</b>
<b>28</b>	Organizing the Course on '2015 Advanced Course on Conservation and Restoration Techniques of Traditional Architecture for the Asia-Pacific Region', Suzhou, 11 July 2015	<b>5.2</b>
<b>29</b>	Participating the Meeting 'The 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of ICOMOS ', Poland, 22-24 June 2015	<b>1.4</b>
<b>31</b>	Organizing the Forum on the 'China-France Sustainable City Development', Shanghai, 10 June 2015	<b>3.4, 4.3</b>
<b>32</b>	Organizing the Training on 'The 2015 Design Camp for Creative Planning of Historic Towns', Shanghai and Jiangsu, 10 May - 10 June 2015	<b>1.1, 1.3, 2.2, 3.4, 3.7, 4.3, 7.2</b>
<b>33</b>	Undertaking the Project on 'The Water Ecology Capacity Building Demonstration Project – A Case Study on the World Heritage Site of Tongli Tuisi Garden', Jiangsu, 3 June 2014 – 4 June 2015	<b>4.3, 7.2,</b>
<b>34</b>	Undertaking the Field Trip and Material Compendium Research Project on 'World Heritage Declaration of Hoh Xil—Natural Heritage Resource', Qinghai, May 2015 - present	<b>2.1</b>
<b>35</b>	Undertaking the Research on 'World Heritage Risk Management', Suzhou, 2015-2016	<b>4.7</b>
<b>36</b>	Undertaking the Project on 'Suzhou Gardens List', Suzhou, 2015-2016	<b>3.4</b>
<b>37</b>	Supporting the Publishing the <Revisiting Kathmandu: Safeguarding Living Urban Heritage>, Nepal, 2015	<b>4.1</b>

**4. Website of the Centre (if available):**

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