

Report for the 40th Session of the World Heritage Committee

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Name of the Centre: INTERNATIONAL TRAINING AND RESEARCH CENTRE ON THE ECONOMICS OF CULTURE AND WORLD HERITAGE (ITRECH), TORINO, ITALY

1. Updates on the management of the Centre (Governing Board, Staffing, Operational funding and premises) – particularly on meetings of the Governing Board and key decisions adopted

On February 16th 2016 Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry for Culture and Tourism signed with UNESCO and the City of Turin the agreement for the establishment of the ITRECH C2 Centre.

2. Programs and activities implemented since June 2014 and planned for the current year

N.	Title of the activity	Reference to WHCBS ¹
	RESEARCH	
1	Definition of the Local Economic Development plan for the city of Port Louis, Republic of Mauritius	3.3, 7.3,
2	Evaluation of Venn's Town for its potential sign up on the list of UNESCO World Heritage, especially providing scientific and technical assistance to the Ministry of Tourism and Culture of Seychelles	3.3, 7.3
3	Implementation of the research on Creative atmosphere, Cultural Industries and heritage for local development in the province of Cuneo (Italy)	7.1
4	Cooperation with the Institute for the Conservation and Valorization of Cultural Heritage of the National Research Council of Italy (CNR-ICVBC) for the development and promotion of the UNESCO Recommendation for	3.6

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

	Historic Urban Landscape	
5	Meskeil, L., Liuzza, C., Bertacchini, E., & Saccone, D. (2015). Multilateralism and UNESCO World Heritage: decision-making, States Parties and political processes. <i>International journal of heritage studies</i> , 21(5), 423-440.	2.5
6	Bertacchini, E., Liuzza, C., & Meskeil, L. (Forthcoming). Shifting the balance of power in the UNESCO World Heritage Committee: an empirical assessment. <i>International Journal of Cultural Policy</i> , 1-21.	2.5
7	Bertacchini, E., Liuzza, C., Meskeil, L., & Saccone, D. (Forthcoming) The politicization of UNESCO World Heritage decision making. <i>Public Choice</i>	2.5
8	Development of new research initiatives	4.8, 7.1
	TRAINING	
7	Implementation of the XIV edition of the international master in World Heritage and cultural projects for development, Torino	4.3, 4.8
8	Implementation of the IV edition of the Executive Master in World Natural Heritage Management, Trento	4.3, 4.8, 8.1, 8.3
9	Implementation of the II edition Master in Patrimonio Mundial y Proyectos Culturales para el Desarrollo, Barcelona	4.3, 4.8
10	“International Academy on Sustainable Development”. Capacity Building Workshop on the Management of UNESCO designated sites: World Heritage Sites and Biosphere Reserves	4.3, 4.8, 5.2, 5.3, 8.1, 8.3
11	Implementation of the <i>International Workshop on Urbanization and Cultural Landscape</i> (July 2015)	4.3
12	Professional course on “Projects and Management Plans for UNESCO sites” organized by Professional association of Architects of the area of Turin	4.3, 4.8
13	Joint workshop CSS-UNESCO at the <i>III World Forum of Local Economic Development</i>	8.1, 8.3
14	Workshop “Friends of Museums and patronage. Considerations and experiences in the metropolitan area of Turin.” 19th June 2015	5.3, 6.1

15	Workshop on the management of landscape, agricultural supply chain and rural tourism within the ITC-ILO workshop “Promoting rural development: Sustainable tourism and short agricultural supply chains”	8.1, 8.3
16	Workshop on the management of the Residences of the Royal House of Savoy system, UNESCO World Heritage site in the field of the Master in “World heritage and cultural projects for development”	7.2, 8.1, 8.2, 8.3
17	Pilot Forum “Culture, Tourism and Development 2016: Cultural trails of the Council of Europe and UNESCO sites”	7.2, 8.1, 8.2, 8.3
18	Workshop “Cultural consumption and creation” during 7th edition of La Storia in Piazza Genoa, April 2016	8.3
19	Workshop “Districts and cultural clusters” in Trento (Trentino Alto Adige, Italy). June 2015	8.3
20	Participation to 6th Seminar of UNESCO CHAIR: Living Cultural Landscapes And The Challenge Of Tourism, December 15th, 2015	7.2, 7.3
	NETWORKING, COOPERATION, DISSEMINATION	
21	Research MoU with Politecnico and Università di Torino /DIST (Interuniversity Dep. on Territorial Science)	10.8
22	Research MoU with Ass. Dislivelli to develop research on mountain/alpine areas	8.1
23	Research MoU with University of Bologna/Centre for Advanced Studies on Tourism	7.3
24	Research MoU with CNR (Research National Council) on the application on the Recommendation on HUL in Italian cities	1.4
25	Participation to several conferences and meetings to present and promote the Institute research results	9.2, 10.2

3. Website of the Centre (if available): www.css-ebila.it (provisory)

4. Designated Focal Point(s) (name, title and contact information)

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