1. BASIC DATA

State Party: Spain

Name of property: Palau de la Música Catalana and Hospital de Sant Pau, Barcelona

Location: Province of Barcelona, Autonomous Community of Catalonia

Inscription: 1997

Brief Description: These are two of the finest contributions to Barcelona’s architecture by the Catalan art nouveau architect Lluís Domènech i Montaner. The Palau de la Música Catalana is an exuberant steel-framed structure full of light and space, and decorated by many of the leading designers of the day. The Hospital de Sant Pau is equally bold in its design and decoration, while at the same time perfectly adapted to the needs of the sick.

2. ISSUES RAISED

Background

At the time of inscription the buffer zone for the Hospital de Sant Pau included part of the setting of the Sagrada Familia. In 2005 the Nativity Façade and Crypt of the Sagrada Familia were inscribed as extensions to the Works of Antoni Gaudí. The two buffer zones for the Hospital de Sant Pau and the Sagrada Familia were found to overlap.

Modification

The State Party has proposed a minor reduction to the buffer zone of the Hospital de Sant Pau so that it is now separated from the buffer zone of the Sagrada Familia.

3. ICOMOS RECOMMENDATIONS

ICOMOS recommends that the minor modification to the buffer zone of the Palau de la Música Catalana and Hospital de Sant Pau, Barcelona (Spain) be approved.
Map showing the revised boundaries of the buffer zone