L'viv (Ukraine)

No 865

1. BASIC DATA

**State Party:** Ukraine

**Name of property:** L'viv – the Ensemble of the Historic Centre

**Location:** Halychyna, L’viv Oblast

**Inscription:** 1998

**Brief Description:**
The city of L'viv, founded in the late Middle Ages, was a flourishing administrative, religious and commercial centre for several centuries. The medieval urban topography has been preserved virtually intact (in particular, there is evidence of the different ethnic communities who lived there), along with many fine Baroque and later buildings.

2. ISSUES RAISED

**Background**
When the property was inscribed, the buffer zone followed the boundaries of the L’viv Historical-Cultural Preserve.

Subsequently the Ukrzakhidproektrestauratsiya Institute delineated the boundaries of the Historic Area of L’viv, which were approved by the City Council in 2005. As a result the L’viv Historical-Cultural Preserve became obsolete.

**Modification**

The State Party is requesting that the buffer zone be adjusted to follow the boundary of the L’viv Historic Area.

The overall area of the Historical Area is slightly smaller than that of the Historical-Cultural preserve, although in two places the boundary extends beyond the line of the Historical-Cultural Preserve. No figures for the area of the proposed buffer zone are provided.

3. ICOMOS RECOMMENDATIONS

ICOMOS recommends that the minor modification to the boundary of the buffer zone of L'viv – the Ensemble of the Historic Centre, Ukraine, be approved and requests the State Party to provide, as soon as possible, details of the overall area of the adjusted buffer zone.
Map showing the revised boundaries of the property