

Information session on the 47th session of the World Heritage Committee



UNESCO Headquarters 6-16 July 2025

14 May 2025



Welcome address by

Mr. Ernesto Ottone

Assistant-Director General for Culture
UNESCO





Remarks by

Prof. Nikolay Nenov

Chairperson of the 47th session of the World Heritage Committee





Preparation of the 47th session of the World Heritage Committee

Presentation by Mr. Lazare Eloundou Assomo

Director of World Heritage





6-16 July 2025

UNESCO Headquarters, Paris

Main participants:

- The 21 members of the Committee
- The States Parties to the Convention, not members of the Committee
- Non-States Parties to the Convention
- NGOs
- The 3 Advisory Bodies (in advisory capacity)





Bureau:

Chairperson: Prof. Nikolay Nenov (Bulgaria)

Rapporteur: Ms. Joëlle Bucyana (Rwanda)

Vice-Chairpersons: Belgium, Mexico, Qatar, Republic of Korea,

Zambia

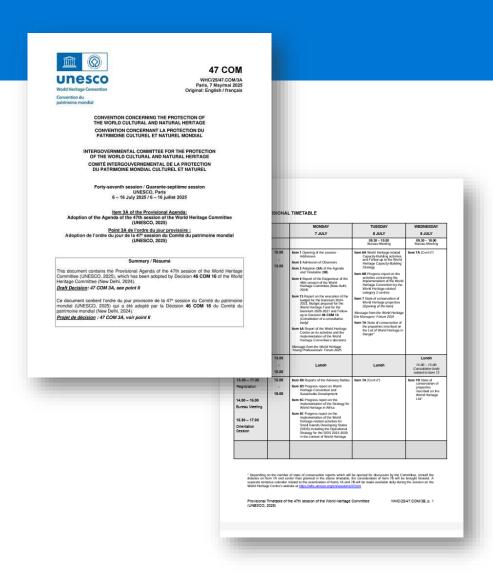




Agenda and Timetable

Refer to Documents: WHC/25/47.COM/3A WHC/25/47.COM/3B

Shared with the Invitation letters on 7 May 2025







Friday 4 July 2025

Suffren Entrance

2:00pm – 6:00pm:
 Registration
 Badge collection







Sunday 6 July 2025

Suffren Entrance

1:30pm – 5:30pm: Registration

Room IV

- 2:00pm 3:00pm: Bureau meeting
- 3:30pm 5:00pm: **Orientation session**









Item 1: Opening of the session - Addresses







Item 2: Admission of Observers

Item 3: Adoption of the Agenda (3A) and Timetable (3B)

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/2
WHC/25/47.COM/3A and INF.3A
WHC/25/47.COM/3B



Item 4: Report of the Rapporteur of the 46th session of the World Heritage Committee (New Delhi, 2024)



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Item 13: Report on the execution of the budget for the biennium 2024-2025, Budget proposal for the World Heritage Fund for the biennium 2026-2027 and Follow-up to Decision 46 COM 13

[Constitution of the consultative body]

Document:

WHC/25/47.COM/13





Item 5A: Report of the World Heritage Centre on its activities and the implementation of the World Heritage Committee's Decisions

Item 5B: Reports of the Advisory Bodies

Item 5D: Progress report on World Heritage Convention and Sustainable Development

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/5A and INF.5A WHC/25/47.COM/5B WHC/25/47.COM/5D





Item 5C: Progress report on the implementation of the Strategy for World Heritage in Africa

Item 5E: Progress report on the implementation of the World Heritage-related activities for SIDS, including the Operational Strategy for the SIDS 2023-2029 in the context of World Heritage

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/5C WHC/25/47.COM/5E



Before lunch break:

Message from the World Heritage Young Professionals' Forum 2025



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Following the afternoon plenary

Opening Reception

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Tuesday 8 July 2025

Item 6A: World Heritage-related Capacity-Building activities and Follow-up to the World Heritage Capacity-Building Strategy

Item 6B: Progress report on the activities concerning the implementation of the World Heritage Convention by the World Heritage-related Category 2 centres

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/6A WHC/25/47.COM/6B



Tuesday 8 July 2025

Item 7: State of conservation of World Heritage properties

[Opening of the item]

followed by:

Message from the World Heritage Site Managers' Forum 2025

Document:

WHC/25/47.COM/7



Tuesday 8 – Thursday 10 July 2025

Item 7A: State of conservation of the properties inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger

Item 7B: State of conservation of properties inscribed on the World Heritage List

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/7A and .Adds WHC/25/47.COM/7B and .Adds WHC/25/47.COM/INF.7 and .Revs





Friday 11 July 2025

Item 8: Nomination process

[Opening of the item]

Item 8A: Tentative Lists of States Parties submitted as of 15 April 2025

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/8 WHC/25/47.COM/8A



Friday 11 – Sunday 13 July 2025

Item 8B: Nominations to the World Heritage List

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/8B and .Add WHC/25/47.COM/INF.8B.1 and .Add WHC/25/47.COM/INF.8B.2 and .Add WHC/25/47.COM/INF.8B.3

WHC/25/47.COM/INF.8B.4





Sunday 13 July 2025

Item 8D: Clarifications of property boundaries and areas by States Parties

Item 8E: Review and approval of retrospective Statements of Outstanding Universal Value

Item 8C: Update of the World Heritage List and of the List of World Heritage in Danger

Item 8: Nomination process [Closure of the item]

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/8D and .Add WHC/25/47.COM/8E WHC/25/47.COM/8C

WHC/25/47.COM/8



Monday 14 July 2025

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Tuesday 15 July 2025

Item 7: State of conservation of World Heritage properties [Closure of the item]

Item 9A: Upstream Process

Item 10: General reflection on Periodic Reporting

Item 11: Report of the Open-ended Working Group established by the extended 45th session of the World Heritage Committee

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/7

WHC/25/47.COM/9A

WHC/25/47.COM/10

WHC/25/47.COM/11





Tuesday 15 July 2025

Item 12: International Assistance

Item 13: Report on the execution of the budget for the biennium 2024-2025, Budget proposal for the World Heritage Fund for the biennium 2026-2027 and Follow-up to Decision 46 COM 13

[Report of the consultative body]

Documents:

WHC/25/47.COM/12 WHC/25/47.COM/13





Tuesday 15 July 2025

Item 14: Other Business

Item 15: Election of the Chairperson,
Vice-Chairpersons and Rapporteur
of the 48th session of the World Heritage Committee

Item 16: Provisional Agenda of the 48th session of the World Heritage Committee

Document:

WHC/25/47.COM/16



Wednesday 16 July 2025 afternoon

Item 17: Adoption of the report of Decisions

Item 18: Closing session

Document: WHC/25/47.COM/17





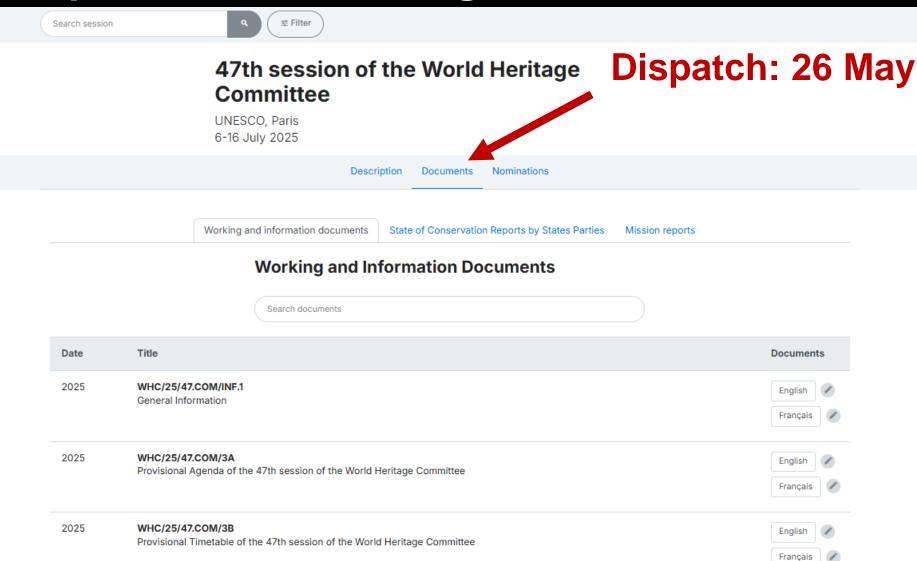
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https://whc.unesco.org/en/sessions/47com/





Thank you





Logistical aspects of the 47th session of the World Heritage Committee

Presentation by Mr. Lazare Eloundou Assomo

Director of World Heritage





General Information

Document WHC/25/47.COM/INF.1

Sent with Invitation letters on 7 May 2025







Registration

Mandatory for all participants -- preferably by 6 June 2025

Instructions mentioned in the Invitation Letters, with **INDICO** weblink and passcode (→ case sensitive!)

For any assistance with registration:

wh-info@unesco.org

To submit list of representatives:

wh-states@unesco.org







Registration

Media seeking accreditation

Contact:

whcpress2025@unesco.org

with full name and name of the media organization







Registration and badges

On-site registration with **badge distribution** at the Suffren entrance :

- 4 July: from 12.00pm to 6.00pm
- **6 July**: from 1.30pm to 5.30pm
- **7-15 July**: from 9.00am to 6.00pm



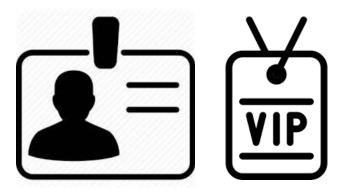




Registration and badges

Arrangements relating to protocol and receptions of VIPs:

wh-info@unesco.org







Passports and Visas

If traveling from outside the Schengen area:

International passport valid for more than 6 months as from the time of the departure

Visa application guidelines available at:

https://france-visas.gouv.fr/en/web/france-visas/visa-application-guidelines

Applications to be made as soon as possible

If assistance required: Specific Section in INDICO form









Accommodation

Indicative and non-exhaustive list of hotels

Refer to the Annex of Document INF.1



Annexure: Hotels near UNESCO Headquarters - Indicative non-exhaustive list Hotels N° of rooms BALDI** Metro: Ségur or Sèvres-28 42 boulevard Garibaldi Lecourbe Distance from UNESCO: 75015 Paris 600 m, 8 mins walking Website: https://www.magna-arbor-BAILLI DE SUFFREN *** Metro: Ségur Distance from UNESCO: 550 m, 7 mins walking 25 149 avenue de Suffren 75015 Paris Website: https:/ TOURISME AVENUE *** Metro: La Motte-Pioquet-55 66 avenue de la Motte-Picquet Grenelle Distance from UNESCO: 800 m, 10 mins walking 75015 Paris Website: https://v DUQUESNE EIFFEL *** 23 avenue Duquesne Distance from UNESCO: 400 m, 5 mins walking 75007 Paris Website: https://www.hotelduquesne-eiffel-paris.com/fr Metro: La Motte-Picquet-Grenelle CITADINES TOUR FIFEEL *** 75015 Paris Distance from UNESCO: 750 m. 10 mins walking https://www.discoverasr.com/en/citadines /france/citadines-tour-eiffel-paris FIFFEL SEGUR *** Metro: Ségur or Cambronne Distance from UNESCO: 33 34 boulevard Garibaldi 75015 Paris 550 m, 8 mins walking Website: https://paris-hotel-eiffel-segur.com/en/ EIFFEL PETIT LOUVRE *** Metro: Dupleix 52 Distance from UNESCO: 1 rue de Lourmel 75015 Paris 1.3 km, 16 mins walking Website: https://hotel-paris-petitlouvre.com/en/ HOTEL LECOURBE Metro : Sèvres-Lecourbe Distance from UNESCO: 28 rue Lecourbe 75015 Paris 900 m, 12 mins walking Website: https://www.hotel-lecourbe-eiffel.com/ HOTEL DE L'AVRE Metro : La Motte 21, Rue de l'Avre Picquet Grenelle 75015 Paris Website: https://hoteldelavre.com/ Distance from UNESCO: 1 km, 13 mins walking General Information WHC/25/47.COM/INF.1, p. 17





Daily plenary sessions (Room I)

from 10:00am to 6:00pm

[14 July will be a day without session]

Bureau sessions (Room X)

- 6 July: from 2:00pm to 3:00pm (Room IV)
- 8–15 July: from 9:30am to 10:00am
- No Bureau meeting on 7 and 16 July









Service for participants

- Free wireless Internet connection
- Cloakroom
- Quiet Room
- Participants with special needs:
 - wh-info@unesco.org
 - + specific section in **INDICO form**













Meals and refreshments

(from 7 to 16 July)

- Daily Pop-Up bar in Pas-perdus Hall
- Bar, Restaurant, Cafeteria 7th floor (closed on 12 and 13 July)
- Restaurants, bars and brasseries located near UNESCO Headquarters









Sustainability

- No goodies nor stationery provided
- Waste sorting facility
- Points to refill water bottles
- No printed copies of documents
- Temperature: limited use of AC
- Participants encouraged to travel economy class, and to walk, use bikes or public transports once in Paris (details in INF.1)











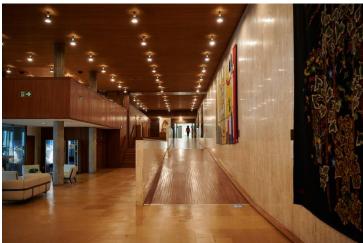


Gardens, Artwork and Tours

- Several biodiversity and garden areas
- Indoor and outdoor works of art

→ Guided tours of UNESCO Headquarters offered to participants, upon prior registration









Side events

To be held out of plenary sessions hours

Requests to the World Heritage Centre: Letter to all States Parties on 17 April 2025 Application deadline was 2 May

On-going review of proposals

Organisers to cover all related costs

Contact: c.varnet@unesco.org







Bilateral meetings

A limited number of smaller rooms will be made available for **bilateral meetings**, on demand

Contact: wh-info@unesco.org







Other relevant information

Information (registration, documents, schedules, side events, etc.) accessible at:

https://whc.unesco.org/en/sessions/47COM







Other relevant information

Livestream / Broadcast accessible throughout the session at:

https://whc.unesco.org/en/sessions/47COM

(as per Decision 35 COM 12B)







World Heritage Young Professionals Forum

from 1 to 8 July 2025

https://whc.unesco.org/en/news/2765/







World Heritage Site Managers' Forum

from 7 to 9 July 2025

https://whc.unesco.org/en/whsmf25/







https://whc.unesco.org/en/basictexts

