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Comparative and Related Studies  
carried out by ICOMOS, 1992-1996

0 *Introductory Note*

This list covers only studies related directly to the World Heritage Convention carried out since 1992. Earlier ICOMOS studies completed from 1982 onwards cover Islamic sites in Africa and Asia, Jesuit missions in Latin America, archaeological sites in the Mediterranean basin, Crusader castles, colonial architecture in Latin America, traditional architecture of oasis towns in the Arab world, historic sites in Asia, Gothic cathedrals, and the architectural heritage of European university towns.

ICOMOS has been involved in many other general studies relating to the protection, conservation, and management of the cultural heritage since its foundation in 1965. The many aspects of the subject covered in recent years have included cultural tourism and the impact of social change on the cultural heritage.

1 *ICOMOS projects*

A *Completed*

1992

- Pueblo sites in Mexico and the USA (Stovel, Cleere, Molina, Taylor, Ursua)
- Wooden churches in northern Europe (Christie)

1993

- Traditional villages in the Carpathian basin and its immediate surroundings (CIVVIH)
- Jesuit missions in the Guayrá region of South America (Gazaneo)

1994

- Historic cemeteries (ICOMOS Poland) - Wroclaw Conference
- European colonial settlements in south and south-east Asia (ICOMOS Sri Lanka) - Colombo meeting
- Cultural itineraries (ICOMOS Spain with the support of the Government of Spain) - Madrid

1995

- Brick Gothic cathedrals and great churches in northern Europe (Andersson for ICOMOS Denmark)
- 19th and 20th century "company towns" (Bergeron/TICCIH)
- Historic canals (Hughes/TICCIH)
- Historic bridges (DeLony/TICCIH)
- 20th century cultural heritage (ICOMOS Finland) - Helsinki Conference

1996

- 20th century cultural heritage (ICOMOS Mexico with Universidad Autónoma Mexicana, Mexico City)

**B In progress (1996)**

- Historic railways (Cossons/TICCIH)
- Non-ferrous mining sites (Smith/TICCIH)

**C Projected or proposed**

- Castles and other fortified sites in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and northern India
- Castles in central and eastern Europe
- European planned colonial settlements in North America
- Spanish and Portuguese colonial towns in the Americas
- Industrial heritage: food production (TICCIH)
- Prehistoric sites in West Africa
- Early historic sites and monuments in West Africa
- Gothic secular buildings in the Mediterranean region

**2 ICOMOS contracts with other NGOs**

- Industrial heritage (The International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage - TICCIH)

- Twentieth century architecture (International Working Party for Documentation and Conservation of Buildings, Sites, and Neighbourhoods of the Modern Movement - DoCoMoMo)

**Note** So far only three detailed lists have been received from TICCIH, but three others have been initiated (see above). A detailed methodology has been agreed with DoCoMoMo and work is under way on the lists. In addition, partial studies have been carried out in connexion with specific nominations to the World Heritage List: eg early iron-working sites; the Bauhaus sites in Weimar and Dessau).

### 3 *ICOMOS involvement with other relevant projects*

1992-93

- Cultural landscapes (with France, Germany, UNESCO World Heritage Centre) - La Petite Pierre; Schorfheide

1992-94

- The Global Study (with Greece, USA) - Paris; Colombo

1994

- Authenticity (with UNESCO, ICCROM, ICOMOS Norway, ICOMOS Japan) - Bergen; Nara
- Rice-terraces in Asia (with Philippines National Committee of UNESCO, UNESCO World Heritage Centre) - Manila, Banaue (preparatory meeting)
- Global Strategy (UNESCO World Heritage Centre)
- Heritage canals (Government of Canada) - Chaffey's Lock

1995

- Ironmaking industrial landscapes (Government of Sweden, Jernkontoret) - Norberg
- Rice-terraces in Asia (Philippines National Committee of UNESCO, UNESCO World Heritage Centre) - Manila, Banaue
- Non-monumental landscapes in the Pacific region (ICOMOS Australia) - Sydney, Blue Mountains
- Global strategy for sub-Saharan Africa (UNESCO, Government of Zimbabwe) - Harare

1996

- Evaluation of general principles and criteria for nominations of natural World Heritage sites (UNESCO, IUCN, Government of France) - Parc National de la Vanoise, France
- European cultural landscapes (UNESCO) - Vienna.