Information Meeting of States Parties to the World Heritage Convention

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World Heritage in 2002

Main Objectives

Assessing 30 years of implementation of the WH Convention

Promoting the WH Convention

Strengthening Partnerships for WH conservation

Launch of the WH Partnerships Initiative



26th SESSION OF THE WORLD HERITAGE COMMITTEE 24-29 June 2002, Budapest (Hungary)

WORLD SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
World Heritage in Africa and Sustainable Development
26 August – 4 September 2002, Johannesburg (South Africa)

WORLD ECO-TOURISM SUMMIT

Launch of WH Programme to engage Tourism Industry to conserve WH sites 19-22 May 2002 in Quebec (Canada)

REGIONAL SEMINAR TO CELEBRATE THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION

Protecting Cultural and Natural Heritage in the Western Hemisphere5-7 December 2002, Harvard University Graduate School of Design (USA)



THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WORLD HERITAGE CONVENTION 6-9 June 2002, Potsdam (Germany)

THE POLITICS OF WORLD HERITAGE 2-4 September 2002, University of North London (UK)

THE SEVENTH INTERNATIONAL DOCOMOMO CONFERENCE 16-21 September 2002, Paris (France)

SPACE APPLICATIONS FOR HERITAGE CONSERVATION 5-8 November 2002, International Space University, Strasbourg (France)



US-ICOMOS INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM Heritage Preservation as a Tool for Social Change 17-20 April, Santa Fe (USA)

INTERNATIONAL MEETING ON MOUNTAIN CITIES 20-22 June 2002 in Chambéry (France)

BISHEK GLOBAL MOUNTAIN SUMMIT 29 October – 1 November 2002, Bishek (Kyrgyzstan)

CONTEMPORARY ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN IN HISTORIC URBAN AREAS, 5-7 December 2002, Riga (Latvia)

ICOMOS 13th GENERAL ASSEMBLY December 2002, Madrid (Spain)

WORLD HERITAGE IN THE FUTURE 18 December 2002, Stockholm (Sweden)



Virtual Congress on World Heritage Management

WORLD HERITAGE AND DECENTRALISATION: THE ROLE OF ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

16 October 2002, Paris (France)

ARCHITECTURE, WORLD HERITAGE AND TOURISM 15-17 October 2002, Beijing (China)

TEACHING WORLD HERITAGE AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES IN AFRICA 15-17 October 2002, Dakar (Sénégal)

HERITAGE MANAGEMENT MAPPING: GIS AND MULTIMEDIA 21-23 October 2002, Alexandria (Egypt)



Virtual Congress on World Heritage Management

GREAT WORLD HERITAGE RIVERS: FROM CRISIS TO A RISK MANAGEMENT CULTURE 21-24 October, Tours (France)

HERITAGE MANAGEMENT OF HISTORIC SITES: PLANNING FOR MIXED USE AND SOCIAL EQUITY, 5-8 November 2002, Mexico City (Mexico)

Related events:

WORLD HERITAGE POSTER CAMPAIGN, CITY OF PARIS UNDERGROUND, RATP 12-18 October 2002, Paris (France)

BELIZE BARRIER REEF COMMEMORATIVE EXPEDITION 1-10 November 2002, Belize

8th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON VIRTUAL SYSTEMS AND MULTIMEDIA (VSMM2002) 25-27 September, Gyeongju (Republic of Korea)



2002 was also:

UN YEAR FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF ECOTOURISM

INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF MOUNTAINS

WORLD HERITAGE 2002: SHARED LEGACY, COMMON RESPONSIBILITY

International Congress and Associated Workshops

Venice, Italy, 11-16 November 2002



9 Thematic Workshops Italy, 11-12 November 2002

400 experts participated in the following workshops:

- The Legal Tools for World Heritage Conservation
- Cultural Landscapes: the Challenges of Conservation
- Towards Innovative Partnerships for World Heritage
- Partnerships for World Heritage Cities
- Monitoring World Heritage
- Partnerships to Conserve Nature and Biodiversity
- World Heritage University Training
- World Heritage Site Management
- Mobilizing Youth for World Heritage

Summary reports available in English and French at: http://whc.unesco.org/venice2002



The Plenary Venice, 14-16 November 2002

- 12 thematic sessions
- 77 speakers
- Over 650 participants
- 44 supporting partners
- Keynote by Wole Soyinka
- New patrons for WH
- Relevant documents online at:
 - http://whc.unesco.org/venice2002



Participation in Plenary

650 Participants 99 States Parties participated 33 SP's requested assistance for 48 experts 28 Requests granted



2002 Results



- Increased Network of Partners
- Renewed Partnerships
- Successful Promotion of the WH Convention
- \$15 million committed for WH



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