

# World Heritage City Dialogues 2021

World Cities Day 2021

« Adapting Cities for Climate Resilience »



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# HERITAGE CITIES AND CLIMATE CHANGE



Sinkhole caused by floods in the Blessem district of Erftstadt, Germany. © AP - Rhein-Erft-Kreis



# COASTAL WORLD HERITAGE CITIES

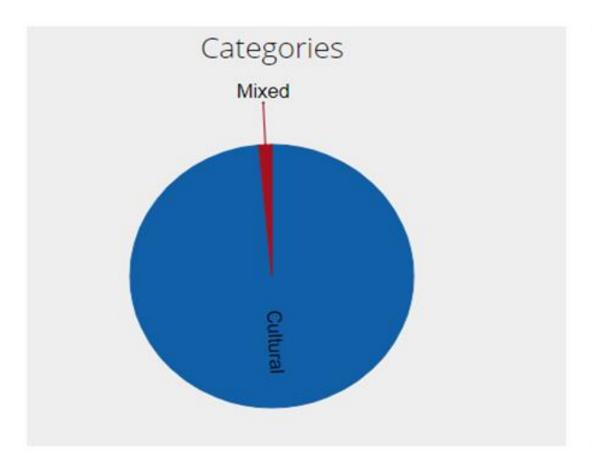


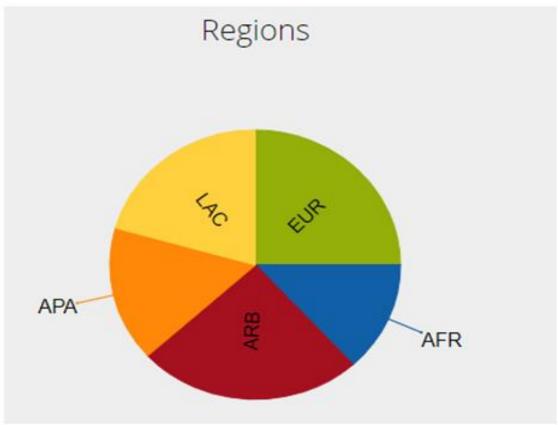
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# State of Conservation Analysis (2017-2019)





42 out of the 131 reports concern coastal and port World Heritage Cities

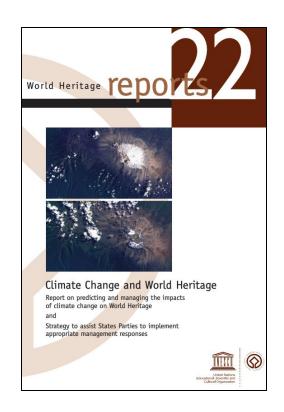
## 1972 World Heritage Convention and climate change

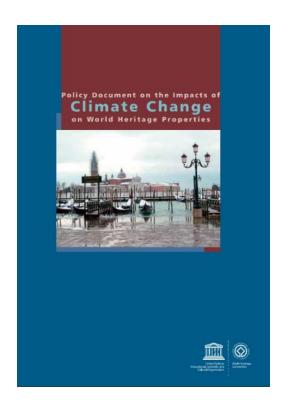
2005 Climate Change impacts on World
Heritage brought to the attention of
the World Heritage Committee by
concerned organizations and
individuals

2006 **Report** on Predicting and Managing the Effects of Climate Change on World Heritage

**Strategy** to Assist States Parties to the Convention to Implement Appropriate Management Responses

2007 **Policy Document** on the impacts of Climate Change on World Heritage properties

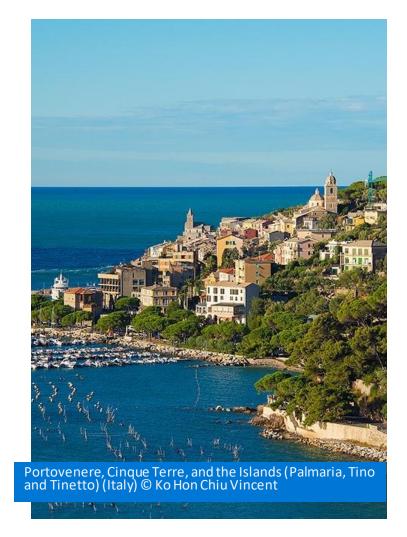




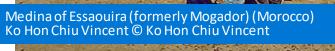
## World Heritage and Sustainable Urban Development



### **HUL Recommendation**









Royal Palaces of Abomey. Thierry Joffroy © CRA-terre / Ensag

## The HUL Approach: Layering Of Heritage Values



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## World Heritage City Lab 2020: Post-Covid recovery and resilience



On 17 June 2020, the World Heritage City Webinar gathered an international panel of World Heritage City mayors and experts to share their views and experiences.

More than 35 countries

Over **70** specialist participants

More than 60% women

Webinar audience 400 people

A series of five online sessions of 2.5 hours each took place online in English and French between 17 and 26 June.

### **Complementary Initiatives And Reference Materials**

# World Heritage Cities Programme

The World Heritage Cities
Programme is one of six
thematic programmes
formally approved and
monitored by the World
Heritage Committee. 313
World Heritage properties
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#### HUL Recommendation

Theoretical and methodological material to support management of urban heritage; monitoring reports; UNESCO Decisions and Resolutions concerning the Recommendation; Member State Survey Reports; Expert Workshops

## **Urban Notebooks**

Monthly e-newsletter on conservation and management of urban heritage includes innovative practices in support of integrating heritage conservation with sustainable urban development. In English, French, and Spanish.

#### World Heritage City Lab

Innovative global and collaborative workshops to support co-creation of strategies strategies and solutions to the challenges of managing World Heritage cities based on practical case studies

# World Heritage City Dialogues

A virtual platform for site managers and local authorities to meet, exchange, and share across their region their knowledge, innovations, experiences.

# World Heritage Canopy

A platform of innovative practices and strategies that further heritage protection for sustainable development including the implementation of the HUL Recommendation.





The UNESCO Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape

eport of the Second Consultation on its Implementatio by Member States, 2019 UNESCO World Heritage Centre



## World Heritage Cities Programme Urban Notebooks

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Historic City of Yazd (Islamic Republic of Iran); Aerial View, Jame Mosque; Author: S.H. Rashedi; @ ICHHTC



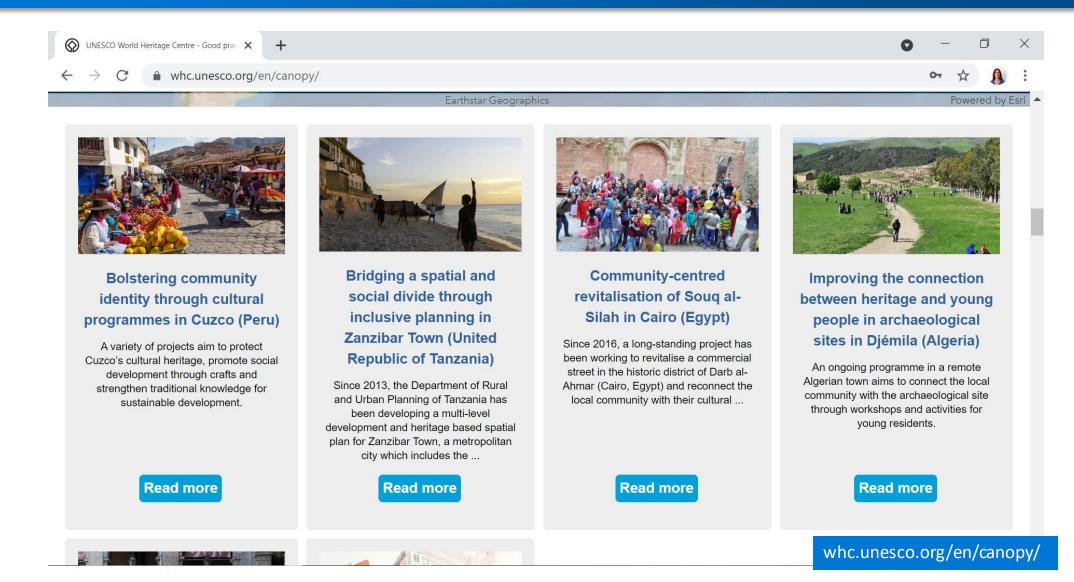








# Canopy – New Platform of Innovative Practices and Strategies





## World Heritage Climate Observatory

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**LAUNCH** 

26.04.2021 12:00-14:00 CET Online open event





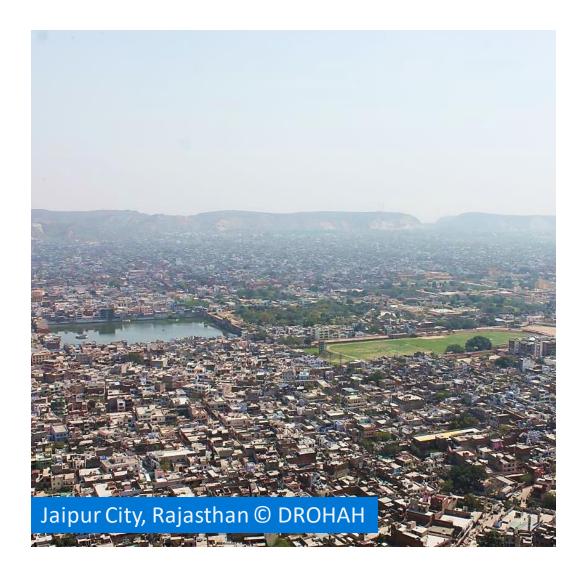






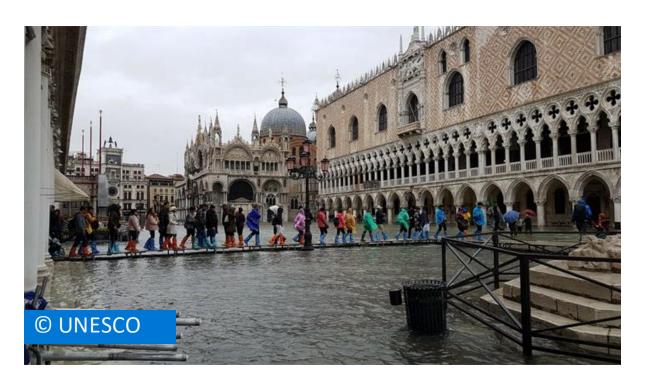
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in the GEO Work Programme

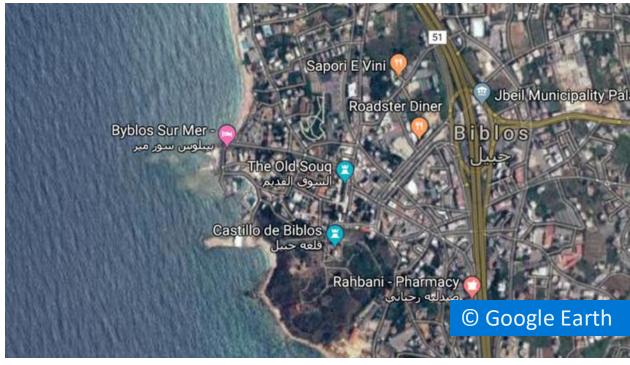
## World Heritage Cities





## World Heritage Cities and Climate Change





## 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the HUL Recommendation



## Reflections from Experts

Lessons from the 10th Anniversary of the 2011 Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape

The celebration of the 10th Anniversary of the Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape (HUL) on 16-24 June was an opportunity to bring together a community of mayors, site managers and other stakeholders and celebrate heritage protection initiatives of the past ten years.

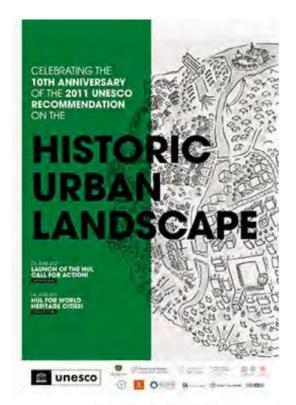


Screemhot of the expert session on 24 June. Watch the session

## **Topics covered:**

- Governance schemes;
- Financing models;
- Heritage management in rapidly changing cities;
- Heritage for sustainable development;
- Holistic protection of the natural environment.

## **HUL Call for Action**



Poster from the HUL Celebrations event

On June 23, on the occasion of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the HUL Recommendation, UNESCO launched the Call for Action on HUL.

The Call breaks the Recommendation down into concrete "Three Actions" in order to promote the implementation of HUL in cities.

Sign up on whc.unesco.org/en/events/1596/



#### **Call for Action**

2011 UNESCO commendation on the Historic Urban Landscape

#### Cities tell the story of humanity.

Today, more than half of humanity lives in urban areas, and the number is projected to rise to nearly 70% percent by 2050.

The combination of history, culture, nature and heritage makes cities a unique and integral part of the world's diversity. This multi-layered 'urban landscape' is also a major economic and social engine to create a liveable, viable, human-centred city.

As cities flourish, they face growing demands. Urbanization, population growth and globalization have prompted rapid development, often at odds with urban heritage conservation. The effects of climate change and natural disasters are tangibly felt by cities, threatening their way of life.

The UNESCO 2011 Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape (HUL) proposes a new perspective on cities – urban development and heritage conservation as complementing elements towards sustainable urban futures, rather than conflicting interests.

UNESCO invites all cities and towns to join the Call for Action to raise awareness about the Recommendation and to accelerate inclusive urban and heritage management through HUL. Any group or individual joining the Call can fill out the online form here <a href="https://survey.unesco.org/3/index.php?r=admin/survey/sa/view&survey/id=966989">https://survey.unesco.org/3/index.php?r=admin/survey/sa/view&survey/id=966989</a>

#### Action 1

Sensitize local and national actors about the HUL approach and encourage its implementation

→ Based on the key principles of the HUL

#### Action 2

Promote a local consultation process to empower stakeholders including NGOs, public and private stakeholders to support a HUL-driven urban development

By joining the UNESCO network and exchanging on good practices\*

#### Action :

Develop local heritage management actions based on the HUL approach

→ By joining the UNESCO network and exchanging on good practices\*

\*Expressions of interest can be submitted through the online form above. Further exchanges for collaboration will follow.

For any inquiries contact Heritage4Cities@unesco.org



## Next steps and upcoming events

# A series of events following-up the HUL 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary











### **Urban Notebooks**

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### Editorial: Celebrating 10 years of the HUL Recommendation

by Jyoti Hosagrahar Deputy Director, UNESCO World Heritage Centre

The 10th Anniversary of the UNESCO 2011 Recommendation on the Historic Urban Landscape (HUL Recommendation) was launched in June 2021. This is an opportunity for introspection on the management of urban heritage. Historic cities are rich repositories of history, heritage, and identity accumulated over centuries. Historic cities inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List are recognized for their Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) as valuable not only to the residents but to all of humanity, including the more than 300 cities currently inscribed At the same time, with cities expanding rapidly and facing growing pressures of urbanization, many are increasingly led to sacrifice urban heritage to make room for development. The rush for development projects to meet the contemporary local needs and aspirations has often pitted the protection and conservation and of monuments, historic streets and neighborhoods, as well as public spaces against major urban development and infrastructure projects.

Caught between immediate needs and their historical identities, knowledge, and practices, local communities often find themselves disconnected from their local areas, where they had transmitted their traditions over generations.

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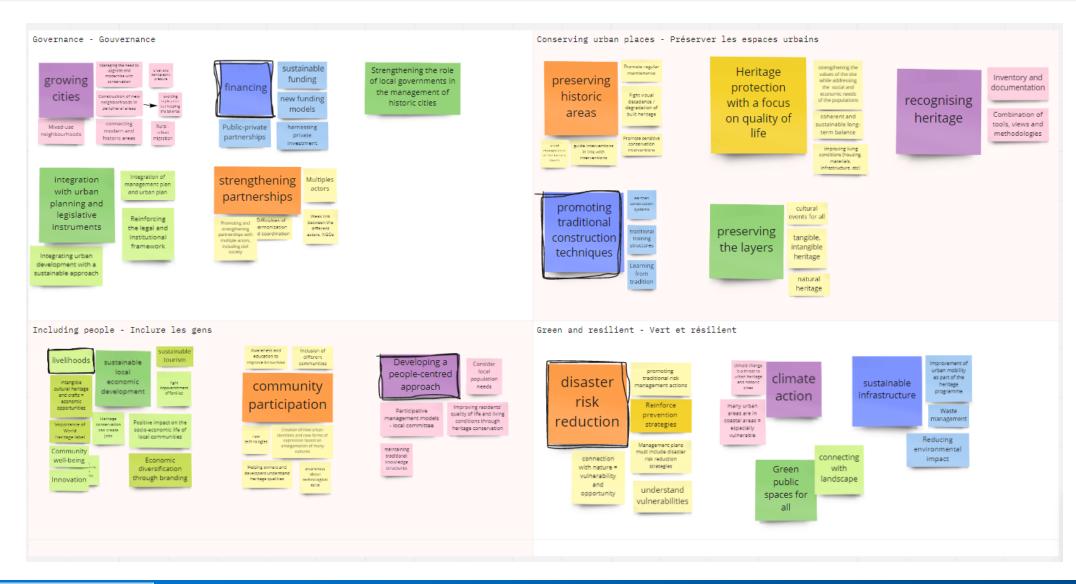
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## Main takeaways from the HUL Recommendation 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event



## Regional takeaways from the Africa region



## Adapting Cities for Climate Resilience – World Cities Day 2021

## Questions for open discussion:

- •Has your city suffered any climate-related disaster?
- What have been some actions you have taken toward Climate Change adaptation and resilience?
- Are you taking any steps towards the implementation of the HUL Call for Action?
- What are the key challenges in the implementation of the HUL Approach in your city?

# Thank you

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