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Editorial

I am glad to present a special issue of CIAV Newsletter number 43, which enclose an invitation to participate in the First International Workshop on Earthen Architecture, that will take place in the City of Yazd, Iran.

In this issue we publish the CIAV Guidelines to the Minimum Participation Requirements for ICOMOS CIAV members, and an interesting CIAV annual report, both elaborated by Ivan Enev, CIAV Secretary General. Also enjoy his beautiful photos.

If you have any commentaries please write to my e-mail address: valeriaprieto@hotmail.com

CIAV Vice-president
Valeria Prieto

1. Greetings from the President



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International Committee on Vernacular Architecture

Greetings from the President

2018 has passed with strong activities from our CIAV members. And more activities are planned for this year of which some are presented in this Newsletter. VERNADOC is active too!

The next CIAV Conference and Annual Meeting 2019 will take place in Pingyao, Shanxi Province, China, following the invitation from Shao Yong, ICOMOS China. Most probably the dates for the arrangement will be 1st – 10th September. We shall have the final confirmation from Shao Yong soon.

As earlier presented the main conference theme will be Vernacular Architecture and Local Development. The general ICOMOS scientific theme for 2019 will be included: Territory: World Rural Landscapes Initiative. Please be prepared to submit your contribution to the conference when the Call for Paper reaches you soon.

We are very grateful for the efforts made already by Shao Yong and her team in preparing this year's arrangement.

The **Advisory Committee meeting (ADCOM) in Buenos Aires** in December last year resolved new model Bye-Laws for the scientific committees (ISCs). (The term *bye-law* is now replacing the term *statutes*.) For us this implies that we shall have a few minor adjustments to our statutes and this we shall present for adaption at our next Annual Meeting, I recon. Our new *Guidelines to the Minimum Participation Requirements for CIAV Members* are very close to what is required by all ISCs according to the new model By-Laws.

The **CIAV home-page** is still not functioning, I am sorry to tell. We have been in touch with ICOMOS Secretariat in Paris who is our key for the technical handling of the website. We hope this shall find its solution soon. In the meantime you should send your enquiries to me or Ivan.

And for discussions Valeria is very happy to receive your thoughts to be published in our Newsletter!

Bodö, 20th January 2019
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2. First International Workshop on Earthen Architecture, World Heritage City of Yazd



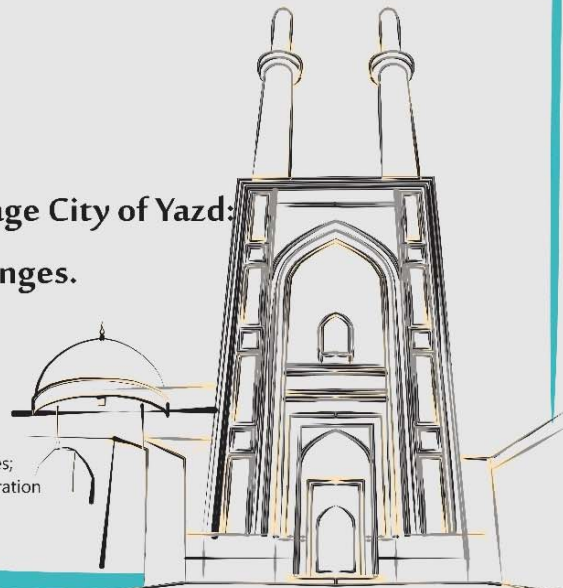
10th to 16th February 2019

Yazd - IRAN

First International Workshop on Earthen Architecture, World Heritage City of Yazd: Conservation Problems and Challenges.

Objectives:

- Further recognition of earthen architecture values;
- Pathology and identification of adobe and earthen architecture;
- Discussion and survey on earthen architecture conservation challenges;
- Discussion and exchange of ideas regarding conservation/restoration approaches;
- Urban sustainable development and earthen architecture.



Workshop type: Mostly practical with some short theoretical sessions.

Place: Yazd and Fahraj, IRAN

Number of Participants: 25 to 30.

Instructors: International and Iranian experts.

Organizer: Yazd Municipality

Supporters and Sponsors: This workshop is organized under the auspices of the ISCEAH Committee of the ICOMOS International (International Scientific Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage), in the framework of the UNESCO World Heritage Earthen Architecture Program (WHEAP) and the UNESCO Chair on Earthen Architecture, Building Cultures and Sustainable development"; CRAterre; Ministry of Roads and Urban Development; Iranian Organization for Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism; Yazd Governorship; Research Institute for Cultural Heritage and Tourism; Yazd Islamic City Council; Yazd University; General Directorate for Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism of Yazd; General Directorate for Roads and Urban Development of Yazd; Research Center for Conservation of Cultural Relics (RCCCR); World Heritage Research Base for the Historic City of Yazd; ICOM IRAN; ICOM IRAN-Conservation Committee; Fahraj Islamic Council and Village Administratorship and Yazd Construction Engineering Organization.



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3. TERRA 2024.

The 13th World Congress on Earthen Architecture

TERRA 2024

Dear colleagues and friends,

ICOMOS-ISCEAH, the *International Scientific Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage* is pleased to announce:

TERRA 2021, the 13th World Congress on Earthen Architecture will be organised in June 8-11, 2021, by the *Getty Conservation Institute*, the *National Park Service Vanishing Treasures Program*, and the *University of Pennsylvania School of Design*, in **Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA.**

Following a thorough evaluation by ISCEAH Board, regarding the three nominations that submitted proposals to host TERRA 2021, we hereby notify that the nomination with the highest score will host TERRA World Congress.

On behalf of ISCEAH, we congratulate the co-organizers and all the people that contributed to submit such high quality nomination. More details about the 13th World Congress are available at ISCEAH website (<http://isceah.icomos.org>).

Due to the excellent nomination also submitted by the University of Cuenca, ISCEAH invited the Ecuadorian institution to organize **TERRA 2024**. Therefore, the **14th World Congress on Earthen Architecture** will be organised in **Cuenca, Ecuador, in 2024**.

ISCEAH appreciated the high interest, and the hard work accomplished by all the three teams, preparing detailed proposals, to compete and to host the Earthen Architecture World Congress. We thank all the teams for their effort.

TERRA event background: The TERRA event is a worldwide congress whose themes relate to the study and conservation of earthen architectural, archaeological and cultural landscape heritage, as well as contemporary earthen architecture. These conferences started to be organized as small meetings of professionals working in earthen architecture, being the first one held in Yazd, Iran, in 1972. Since then, eleven more congresses were organized and have strengthened international collaboration, created regional networks, generated research and partnerships, and contributed to further the knowledge in the area: The following TERRA international meetings were held in Iran (1976), Turkey (1980), Peru (1983), Italy (1987), USA (1990), Portugal (1993), United Kingdom (2000), Iran (2003), Mali (2008), Peru (2012), and France (2016). The symposium grew from a small group of less than two-dozen people in the first symposium; to an International Conference under the aegis of ISCEAH, with 750 people attending TERRA 2016, in Lyon, France. In TERRA 2021 and TERRA 2024, the World Congress is expected to host more than a thousand experts and interested people. On behalf of ISCEAH, we will be looking for to meet you in **Santa Fe, New Mexico, in June 2021!**

Kind regards,

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Kind regards,

Mariana Correia, President

Maddalena Achenza, Vice-President

Pamela Jerome, Secretary-General

4. Report from Tabriz 2018

ICOMOS CIAV Secretary General Report

October 31st, 2018
Berlin, Germany



ICOMOS CIAV Secretary-General's Annual Report Summary

Dear Colleagues,

It has now been just over a month since this year's successful annual meeting of ICOMOS CIAV in Tabriz, Iran (October 2nd 2018). The yearly event was carried out within the framework of an international scientific conference, dedicated to the topic of '*Cultural Heritage and Sustainable Development*' (October 1st – 3rd 2018), organised and coordinated by the *Iranian Cultural Heritage, Handicrafts and Tourism Organisation* (ICHHTO). A video-conference over Skype allowed for a real-time participation of additional CIAV members.

In terms of content, the meeting followed the agenda, distributed to the whole CIAV membership in advance. Some amendments to the sequence of the items discussed were done. Emphasis was put on the following key items, brought forward for discussion:

1. Update on the CIAV membership database and membership status (incl. NC-designated Voting Members for ICOMOS CIAV, 'active' and 'passive' members, emerging professionals, etc.) (*Agenda 2018, 5.b*) - *adopted*
2. Update on the communication with current CIAV members (*Agenda 2018, 5.b*) - *adopted*.
3. The three working documents, developed by the CIAV Bureau in 2018 for the purpose of stimulating a more active engagement of members in the work and life of the Committee, namely (*Agenda 2018, 5.c*):
 - 3.1. '*Guidelines to the Minimum Participation Requirements for ICOMOS CIAV Members*' as an extension of the '*ICOMOS CIAV Statutes*' (2014, Florence), along with the resp. measures for passive CIAV members - *adopted*;

- 3.2. *'ISC ICOMOS CIAV Membership Application Form' – adopted with amendments;*
- 3.3. *'ISC ICOMOS CIAV Members' Activities Report Form' – adopted with amendments.*
4. The ICOMOS Emerging Professionals Working Group (EPWG) and category of the ICOMOS Emerging Professionals/Practitioners (EPs).

The following is a brief summary of the Secretary-General's Report regarding the above items, as presented and adopted at the ICOMOS CIAV annual meeting 2018.

UPDATED CIAV GOOGLE-GROUP MAILING LIST

The considerable number of dysfunctional email addresses in the former CIAV Google-Group <ciav-members@googlegroups.com> and the contact updates, recently provided by members, necessitated changes and resulted in the establishment of a new up-to-date CIAV Google-Group, which functions on the same principle – as a group mailing list that includes all current CIAV members' contact details, namely: <icomosciavmembers@googlegroups.com>. This Group is administrated by the SG (and the Bureau by extension) and is open to use by all CIAV members. It functions as a normal email address, which distributes a given email to the whole membership simultaneously. Furthermore, the members of the CIAV Bureau could be addressed collectively at <icomosciavbureau@googlegroups.com>. Please, use **only the latter** two mailing-list addresses for future communication within the CIAV membership!

MEMBERSHIP

Table 1 gives an overview of the membership update. Some 32 % of the 115 CIAV members were indicated as passive, that is – have not been in contact with the Bureau and have failed to engage with the work of the Committee for a long period of time (more than 2 years).

DESCRIPTION	Sept 2018	% of Total
ICOMOS CIAV Members*	115	100%
Honorary	8	7%
Expert	106	92%
Associate	1	1%
Institutional	0	-

Emerging Professionals (EP)	2	2%
<i>active</i>	78	68%
<i>passive</i>	37	32%
<i>deferred</i>	1	1%
accepted 2018	4	3%
NC-designated Voting Members for ICOMOS CIAV	20	17%
Resigned/Discontinued membership since December 2017	15	-

Table 1.

* 49 nationalities / 46 NCs

ADOPTED GUIDELINES AND FORMS

In light of the above update and guided by the need for active engagement of all CIAV members in the work of the Committee, the following *measures for passive ICOMOS CIAV members* were proposed by the Bureau and adopted:

The membership status of those members, *who are not Honorary Members of CIAV and have failed to contact the Bureau upon the written request of the latter (February – April 2018) regarding: their interest in continuing the work with/membership at CIAV, and their recent engagement with vernacular heritage and ICOMOS at large*, has been relegated from *expert to associate member* until January 2020, prior to the submission of the Annual Report of CIAV to the Scientific Council. Then, the engagement of the members in question will be revised by the CIAV Bureau in accordance with *Art. IV, C.3.c of the Egar-Xi'an Principles*, and decision about further membership will be made. A full up-to*date list of the current members of the Committee was sent to the whole membership prior and after the annual meeting. Enquiries, objections and comments about membership status are welcomed at any time at icomosciav.sg@gmail.com.

According to the newly adopted '*Guidelines to the Minimum Participation Requirements for ICOMOS CIAV Members*' (CIAV 2018, Tabriz), "[...] *the minimum participation requirements for associate members are generally the*

same as those for *expert members [...]*” (*ibid*, Art. 3.2). Furthermore, this document, perceived as an extension of the *CIAV Statutes*, as adopted at the CIAV annual meeting in Florence on November 13th 2015, outlines the following core prerequisites for the active engagement of CIAV members in the work of the Committee:

“Article 3. Minimum Participation Requirements for ICOMOS CIAV Members

(1) *Expert Members of ISC ICOMOS CIAV have established expertise and/or practical experience in the field of Built Vernacular Heritage. Being the cornerstone in the work of the Committee, they are expected:*

1. *to be actively engaged in the work of their national committees, especially on vernacular heritage matters, and*
2. *to make every effort to continuously contribute to the work of ICOMOS CIAV in sharing their own professional experience within the Committee through:*
 - a. *presenting (scientific) publications they are working/have worked on, which are linked to the identification, study, protection, conservation and safeguarding of built vernacular heritage for the CIAV Newsletter, and/or*
 - b. *presenting the results and/or progress of projects, they are/were engaged with, linked to the identification, study, documentation, protection, conservation and safeguarding of vernacular heritage, and/or*
 - c. *taking part in the discussions, projects and activities of ICOMOS CIAV, and/or*

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- d.. *mentoring Associate Members and/or Emerging Professionals, as to assist in their meaningful integration within ICOMOS CIAV, acquaintance with its codes of conduct and principles, and engagement with its work, and/or*
 - e. *taking part in relevant scientific symposia and conferences (including but not limited to the annual meetings of ICOMOS CIAV), educational programmes, collaborative initiatives with third parties, or any other initiatives and activities that promote and advance both the mission.*

(2) Membership status is conditionally awarded to Associate Members for a period of three years, after which a comprehensive and transparent evaluation of their contribution to the work of the Committee is made by the ICOMOS CIAV Bureau, in line with the provisions of the ICOMOS CIAV Statutes. The minimum participation requirements for Associate Members are generally the same as those for Expert Members with the clarification that the participatory work and contributions of the former are to be made under the mentorship of either (an) Expert Member(s) or Honorary Member(s) of the Committee.

(3) All members of ICOMOS CIAV must annually brief the ICOMOS CIAV Bureau -and by extension all ICOMOS CIAV members- on their:

- 1. current contact details (postal address, email, telephone number) and any changes to their educational, academic and/or professional status; and*

2. engagement with matters concerning the identification, study, protection, conservation and safeguarding of vernacular heritage, and in line with the mission of the Committee. This requirement does not apply for Honorary Members. The latter shall brief the Bureau in ways and as frequently as they find most appropriate.

(4) The information by Members in accordance with Art. 3 (4) must be submitted to the ICOMOS CIAV Bureau at least once per year, by January 31st, in the form of electronic questionnaire, correctly and duly completed by each Member. The questionnaire form shall be distributed by email to all ICOMOS CIAV Members, who have provided accurate email address for contact, and can be obtained by the Bureau on request at any time. and the work of ICOMOS CIAV. ”

The full English text of the Guidelines is attached at the end of this newsletter. The Bureau would like to take the opportunity to invite interested CIAV members to contribute to the translation of the text in Spanish and French, as well as in any other languages, used by the Committee members.

Closely related to the aforementioned measures and Guidelines are both the ‘ISC ICOMOS CIAV Membership Application Form’ and the ‘ISC ICOMOS CIAV Members’ Activities Report Form’. These have been unanimously adopted without further content edits. However, due to limited resources (for analysing the data) and for ease of access, the initial pdf-forms have been transformed into online-forms, to be temporarily stored at the Google-Drive of CIAV and available for filling out over the following links:

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<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Oe4mIKqLybORN6M0z6uIAUGuFSflqvbhnk671YQixy4/prefill> >

and

< https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1R-G7yZDq3_jTafIPxZI7XtLw0qOO0h-N7cTYhoJcC_E/prefill >.

Applications for CIAV membership will be assessed on the information, provided by the applicants in the Application Form. This document has been drafted as a tool for collecting necessary personal and professional details from each applicant for membership at CIAV

The '*ICOMOS CIAV Membership Application Form*' on the other hand is mainly designed to serve as a tool for streamlining the compilation of the Annual CIAV Reports to the ICOMOS Scientific Council, but also to assisting CIAV in keeping sight of the individual contributions of its members to the field of vernacular heritage, and to remaining inclusive of and alert about important discourses, issues, tendencies and feedback in its field of expertise. The form allows for maintaining an accurate and up-to-date membership database and thus facilitates networking between CIAV members. Therefore, all *expert* and *associate* CIAV members are required to fill out and submit the Annual Activity Report Form at least once per year – either as an update of their recent engagement with the field of the built vernacular heritage, or as an official contact form with the Bureau for inputs and comments regarding its work.

ICOMOS EMERGING PROFESSIONALS WORKING GROUP (EPWG)

The *ICOMOS Emerging Professionals Working Group* (EPWG hereafter) was initially conceived within the framework of the *2015-2017 ICOMOS Triennial Programme* under the title "*Young Professionals Collective*" in recognition of the need to engage younger members within both the ICOMOS National Committees (NCs) and the International Scientific Committees (ISCs).

The EPWG started and is still operating under the guidance of Toshiyuki Kono, Sheridan Burke and Gideon Koren. The working group held its first teleconference in August 2017 with international participation, and presented

the initial draft-resolution, concerning its functioning, aims and vision, entitled *'Emerging Professionals Initiative'* at the 19th GA in New Delhi 2017, where these were adopted (see *Resolution 19GA 2017/33*). The aim of the EPWG is *"to enhance the integration of Emerging Professionals (EPs) into all levels of ICOMOS"* (*ibid*).

The wording "young" was then replaced by "emerging" in attempt at remaining inclusive of *"those valuable members who may join the heritage industry at a later point in their lives"*.

Since the beginning of 2018, the EPWG has been engaged in the elaboration of a working definition of the term *"emerging professional"*, which had been adopted by the group and approved by ICLAFI in July 2018 as follows:

'Emerging Professional' (EP) means ICOMOS individuals members who:

- (1) Have less than 15 years to educational and/or professional experience, in a field related to the aims defined in Article 3 of ICOMOS Statutes, and*
- (2) Are seeking to build up interest and expertise in the field.*

At the moment, the group comprises some 50 individual ICOMOS members from different NCs, ISCs and ICOMOS International. *Stacy Valis (ICOMOS New Zealand)*, <epwg.secretary@icomos.org>, is the current EPWG-Secretary, and *Clara Rellensmann (ICOMOS Germany)* was officially elected an ICOMOS Board Member at the 17th GA in Delhi.

The EPWG operates with sub-groups, targeted at different focus areas – Membership Team, Translations Team, Communications Team and Promotion-Pack Team. In 2018, the EPWG has successfully engaged at some of the main ICOMOS events around the globe through its regional representatives, such as: the ICOMOS Europe Group Meeting (Helsinki); the European Cultural Heritage Summit (Berlin); the International Day on Monuments and Sites, April 18th (regional initiatives); ICOMOS Philippines' Framework for Heritage event (Makati); the ICOMOS Russia National Conference (Veliky Novgorod); the ICOMOS Pasifika Conference (Suva,

Fiji); the 2018 ICOMOS Annual General Assembly (Buenos Aires, upcoming - Dec. th-8th); etc.

Worth highlighting in this context are the initiatives of the *International Day of Monuments and Sites, April 18th*, which went under the topic of *Heritage for Generations* and were led by the EPWG itself. The *Inter-generational Transfer of Knowledge (international and intergenerational co-working for promoting the ICOMOS ethos for the protection of cultural heritage)* and *Youth Leadership (leading work of EPs in broadcasting and advancing the work ICOMOS through social media and organised events)* were the core focus, discussion and action areas. Further details could be found at <<https://www.icomos.org/en/focus/18-april-international-day-for-monuments-and-sites>>.

Following the adoption of *Resolution 19GA 2017/33*, all NCs and ISCs are requested to have one elected official representative at the EPWG (*ibid. Request 1 and 2*). Currently, CIAV has only two expert members, who have identified themselves as EPs – *Marika Konola-Tuominen* and *Ivan Enev* – the latter being the official representative of CIAV, appointed by the Bureau in January 2018.

The EPWG holds teleconferences monthly and its main focus areas are as follows:

- ✓ international networking between the EPs across the globe;
- ✓ facilitating the active engagement of EPs in the work of ICOMOS at national (NCs) and international level (ISCs);
- ✓ active presence on different social media channels (facebook, twitter, etc.) about the work of ICOMOS and the *Emerging Professionals Initiative*;
- ✓ exchange of information between EPs about programmes, initiatives, events, publications, etc., linked to the work of ICOMOS and to the field of heritage conservation/safeguarding at large.

Main EPWG-Goals for the 2018-2020 Triennium:

- ✓ Intergenerational engagement to ensure the organisation's continuity (active participation of all NCs and ISCs within the EPWG-initiative);

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- ✓ Each National Committee and International Scientific Committee to have at least one EP representative on their Board;
 - ✓ Dissemination of Ideas within ICOMOS (via both existing and new media channels; 'ICOMOS E-News').

Sincerely,

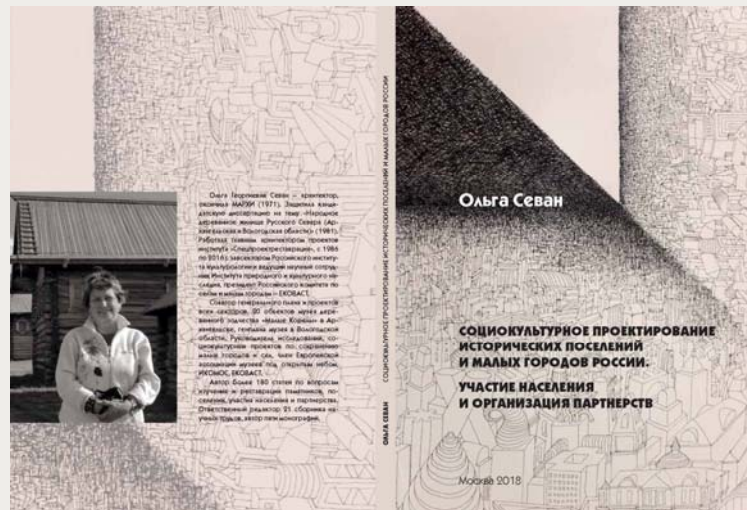
A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Ivan Enev', enclosed in a white rectangular box.

Ivan Enev,
ICOMOS CIAV Secretary General 2018/2020
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5. Report on the Work Dr. Olga Sevan

During the year, Olga Sevan carried out the following work:

Friends of Union of Architects of Russia organized the meeting in the May 2018. By this evening, Olga Sevan presented the book “Socio-Cultural Design of Rural Settlements and Small Townes of Russia. Public participation and partnerships” published by Olga at the beginning 2018. It analyzes the experience of the author and employers of the Russian Institute of Cultural Research during of 30 years. Moreover, a collection of articles was presented, which published in 2017 “Actual problems of studying and preserving the architectural and town-planning heritage of historical settlements”. It also mentions the European work experience, including ECOVAST and ICOMOS. Those who came to the meeting donated both books.



July. Olga Sevan participated with the report “Decoration of Residential Houses of the Russian North” in international conference in the small town Kirillov, later visited the city Vologda and the museum of wooden architecture "Semenkovo". O. Sevan worked several years ago on the general plan of this museum, its individual sectors, etc. During the day, she consulted the museum director and the architect to the restorer about wooden monuments etc. There are 10 houses of the 19th century, church of the 17th century and a chapel, barns, mills have already been transported here. Amazing and good museum! Many interesting and important educational programs and projects offered in the museum. <https://www.semenkovo.ru/ru/o-muzee/istoriya-muzeya>.



In addition, a number of specialists visited the “Abramtsevo Museum-Reserve” in the Moscow region, where the wooden architecture of the late 19th - early 20th century (the manor house, workshops, as well as the unique stone church) remained; the landscape of this protected complex was preserved. We conducted a survey of buildings, a park; collections and we had a meeting with the museum staff.

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=2112410472128019&set=pcb.2112410608794672&type=3&theater>

August. Workshop of students and young architects on modern wooden architecture "DREVOLUTION" in the Kostroma region <http://www.re-wood.ru/> Olga Sevan took part as jury member for the analysis of projects and buildings in rural forest areas near a unique monument - Terem in the place Astashovo/ It was restored from the ruins within 5 years by a young businessman. There are a museum, hotel rooms, cafes, workshops, etc. today in a unique house. <https://www.houzz.ru/ideabooks/113010428/list/ideya-dlya-puteshestviya-terem-v-astashovo-i-art-obaekty-drevolyutsii>



6. Photographs Emerging





7. Letter to ISCs

December 23, 2018

International Council on Monuments and Sites Climate Change and Heritage Working Group

Dear ICOMOS International Scientific Committees,

I'm writing to you as a member of the ICOMOS Climate Change and Heritage Working Group (CCHWG). I'm serving as the lead for coordination with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). The IPCC is an intergovernmental body formed under the auspices of the United Nations Environment Programme and the World Meteorological Organization to provide scientific assessments of climate change. The IPCC does this work through periodic major overview reports (known as assessment reports) and an ongoing series of special reports. The most recent IPCC special report addresses limiting Global Warming of 1.5C, which was released this past October.

ICOMOS work with respect to the IPCC has several goals. First is to increase and improve representation of cultural heritage science and issues in current and future IPCC reports. Second is to improve the correlation in the future between the scientific work of ICOMOS and other heritage scholars and the needs of climate science and the work plan of the IPCC.

This work responds to requests previously made of ICOMOS and the other Advisory Bodies by the World Heritage (WH) Committee. The WH Committee expressed concern about the persistent gap in scientific understanding of cultural heritage and climate change as evidence by the scant coverage of the topic by the IPCC. Specifically, at the WH Committee's 40th session in (2016), the Committee voted to requested that

States Parties, the World Heritage Centre and the Advisory Bodies to work with the [IPCC] with the objective of considering the State of Conservation of World Heritage properties and inclusion of a specific chapter on natural and cultural World Heritage in future IPCC assessment reports.

The IPCC has itself given indications that it is cognizant of this gap. For example in its Fifth Assessment Report cycle (AR5), the IPCC included recognition that cultural heritage will be affected by climate change impacts and that, unaddressed, such impacts may limit the success of adaptation. The IPCC has now launched its 6th Assessment Report Cycle (AR6). At its 43rd Session, the IPCC voted to pay special attention in AR6 to the impacts of climate change on cities and to prepare three additional special reports; and to include in AR7 (2023-2028) a Special Report on Climate Change and Cities. This framework creates an opportunity – but not an assurance – that the coverage of cultural heritage can be improved at the world's leading climate science platform.

Work is now underway to build ICOMOS's responses to these requests and needs. A team and work plan are being set up within the CCHWG to lead and help coordinate IPCC engagement. An initial IPCC work plan includes three major areas of work:

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1. Provide direct cultural heritage support to IPCC reports currently in preparation, through peer review and nomination of authors;
 2. Request and coordinate an IPCC special meeting on cultural heritage (which may lead to an IPCC special report or assessment report chapter on heritage);
 3. Foster new research and publications to address gaps in climate-heritage knowledge, with particular attention to gaps and issues identified in IPCC reports to date.

My request here is part of work in the first area – IPCC report peer review.

Two IPCC special reports are currently out for peer review:

- Special Report on Oceans and Cryosphere (SROC), second order draft. Review period is 16 November 2018 to 11 January 2019; requests to serve as a peer reviewer must be submitted by 4 January 2019 via <https://apps.ipcc.ch/comments/srocc/sod/register.php>.

This report includes attention to Arctic and marine and coastal areas. Connections to heritage include the indigenous lifeways and heritage resources of the Arctic, and knowledge, traditions, and heritage resources associated with oceans and marine environments.

- Special Report on Climate Change and Land (CCL), second order draft. Review period is 19 November 2018 to 14 January 2019; requests to serve as a peer reviewer must be submitted by 7 January 2019 via <https://apps.ipcc.ch/comments/srccl/sod/register.php>.

This report focuses on land use, soils, and agriculture. Connections to heritage include traditional land management practices, and impacts of drought and desertification on both tangible and intangible heritage.

If ISC members or other heritage colleagues are already IPCC peer reviewers for one or both of these reports, or sign up as a peer reviewer due to this email, would you please let me know? A brief note of your name and which report to marcy.rockman@icomos.org is all that's needed. This will help us track ICOMOS contributions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions.

With warmest regards,
Marcy Rockman
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VERNADOC PT 2019

INTERNATIONAL CAMP OF VERNACULAR
ARCHITECTURE DOCUMENTATION
PAREDES DE COURA, PORTUGAL 1-15 MAY, 2019

The Research Centre of Escola Superior Gallaecia and the Municipality of Paredes de Coura are the hosts of the next Portuguese VERNADOC camp in May 2019. This event, integrated in the long tradition of survey camps, began in Finland more than a century ago and is now developed under the ICOMOS aegis. Interested professionals and students of architecture and other related areas are strongly encouraged to apply.

More info:
vernadoc2019@esg.pt

The two-week camp will be held at Paredes de Coura municipality, in the Norwest of Portugal. The camp will document a communal threshing floor and its granaries, in the picturesque settlement of Porreiras, in the Coura valley region. Besides the survey sessions, a set of thematic visits to vernacular heritage sites and Portuguese contemporary architecture will complement the event.

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