
 **EDITORIAL**

In our second number we present the report from Marc de Carrafe about his participation in the recent Rome meeting with the Executive Council of ICOMOS and the international scientific committees. It's very interesting for CIAV members.

Marc de Carrafe has written of the adoption of the Eger-Xi'an Principles and how ICOMOS scientific committees will be asked to provide a definition of expert members.

We are also sending, once more, the invitation for those of you who would like to participate in our CIAV meeting in Mexico in next November.

Also we have two interesting notes from Miles Lewis.

I hope you all will decide to participate in the next CIAV Newsletter number.

Valeria Prieto

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REPORT ON THE JOINT MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF ICOMOS WITH THE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES

On 16 June 2006, the executive council of ICOMOS and representatives of international scientific committees (hereafter committees) held a joint working session in Rome. The purpose of this meeting was to adjust the operations of the committees to the Eger-Xi'an Principles. Some issues discussed have an impact on CIAV and its members, while others will have a general impact on all committees. This report is divided in three parts accordingly.

CIAV

By the end of 2007, committees must revise their **statutes** in accordance with the Eger-Xi'an Principles. The purpose of these revised statutes is to increase membership. At the same time, committees must adopt **criteria for expert members**. A draft of the revised statutes for CIAV, in English, French and Spanish, is attached at the end of this document for discussions. Please send your comments on these proposed statutes to the president and the general secretary of CIAV directly.

Each committee will be asked to make a presentation on its work at the General Assembly in Québec City in 2008. Each committee should suggest sub-themes and contribute papers to the Assembly, and consider ways of meeting for joint discussions with other committees sharing similar interests.

Committees have been asked to cooperate with ICOM (International Council of Museums). Potential collaboration could be established with DEMHIST (Historic House Museums), ICME (Ethnography), and AEOM (Association of European Open-Air Museums). This is an opportunity to increase membership for CIAV.

Members

Gilles Nourissier is setting up a **membership database**. It will assist in the identification of experts for missions for the World Heritage Committee. Members are expected to provide a short résumé.

Members are reminded that they informed ICOMOS Secretariat when they are invited to attend meetings of the World Heritage Centre. CIAV members are expected to conduct **desk evaluations** of submissions to the World Heritage Centre shortly.

Members who are working on **publications** should contact the treasurer of ICOMOS, Giora Solar, as there is a possibility for obtaining funds from ICOMOS.

General Issues

- A task group has been established to liaise with the organizing committee of the 2008 General Assembly. Its purpose is to work closely with the organizing committee to formulate the scientific symposium and to have an active participation in the evaluation of abstracts.
- **ICOMOS Advisory Committee** will meet in Edinburgh from 8 to 13 September. A full day will be devoted to the scientific council on September 9. If anyone is interested in attending this meeting, they should inform the President and the General Secretary of CIAV.
- The **Historical Urban Landscape Initiative** will offer opportunities for new partnerships for ICOMOS. At the moment the lead committees for these initiatives are CIVVIH (Historic Towns and Villages) and Cultural Landscapes, but this represents an opportunity for CIAV as conceptual and methodological gaps (for examples degrees of change and buffer zones) will have to be identified.
- The Executive Committee of ICOMOS has established a **World Heritage Working Group**. The purpose of this working group is to review recommendations for the meetings of the World Heritage Committee, evaluate State of Conservation Reports and ensure follow-up of other meetings.

Statutes for the International Committee on Vernacular Architecture

Article 1 - Establishment

The International Committee of ICOMOS on Vernacular Architecture (hereafter referred to as "the Committee") was established in accordance with article 14 of the ICOMOS Statutes in 1976. The following new statutes drawn up along the Eger Principles for International Scientific Committees (decision of the X General Assembly) were adopted by the Committee in September 1994 and approved by the Executive Committee in November 1994.

Article 2 - Object

The object of the Committee is to promote, consistent with the aims of ICOMOS International, co-operation in the identification, study, protection and conservation of Vernacular Architecture including vernacular monuments, groups of buildings and sites as defined by article 3 of the ICOMOS Statutes.

Article 3 - Activities

The activities to accomplish its objective shall be conducted in accordance with a triennial program and shall include in particular but are not limited to:

- scientific conferences in conjunction with the meetings of the Committee,
- study trips and site visits,
- a newsletter,
- the organization of training courses for students,
- information to the public by its own means.

Article 4 - Members

(1) The membership is open to ICOMOS members with established expertise in the field of Vernacular Architecture.

(2) Voting members are proposed by the National Committee or by Members of the Bureau of the Committee (Art. 5(3)) and are admitted to the Committee by decision of the Committee subject to the ratification of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS according to article 14 (b) of the ICOMOS Statutes. The approval may not be refused without justification.

(3) There shall be normally only one Voting Member per country admitted to the Committee.

(4) Membership in the Committee is limited to a term of three years. A Voting Member of the Committee may normally not serve more than three consecutive terms.

(5) It is desirable that the Voting members of the Committee shall represent in an equitable manner the different regions of the world.

(6) Persons engaged in activities to the object of the Committee may become Associate Members of the Committee on the proposal of a Member of the Bureau approved by the decision of the Committee (Art. 5(3)). Associate Membership is also open to non-members of ICOMOS.

(7) Honorary Members of the Committee may be appointed by decision of the Committee in recognition of the services they have rendered to the Committee and of their activities in favor of its objective.

Article 5 - Administration

(1) The Committee takes its decisions by majority vote of the Voting Members present at its meeting. Present at the meeting are also absent Voting Members who have given a proxy to present Voting Members. A Voting Member shall not represent more than two absent Voting Members. In the case where less than the majority of Voting Members is present at a meeting, the Voting Members can request that a basic decision be taken by postal vote.

(2) Meetings of the Committee shall be held annually. A written invitation by the Bureau should reach all members at least three months in advance of the meeting.

(3) The Committee elects out of the Voting Members: a President, two Vice Presidents and a Secretary General who form the Bureau for a term of office of three years. If there are candidatures proposed by the Members the election is held by postal vote at least two months prior to the meeting of the Committee in the election year under the supervision of a Member appointed by the Bureau. If no candidatures are submitted on time, the election is held by secret ballot during the meeting of the Committee in the election year. The Members of the Bureau may not serve more than three consecutive periods of office. Those terms shall be considered independently from any terms as a Member of the Committee. The Bureau shall meet at least once a year and shall report annually to the Members of the Committee and to the Executive Committee of ICOMOS. The Bureau is responsible for the preparation of the Committee's meetings and the implementation of the Committee's decisions.

(4) The Committee may approve or form any Regional Subcommittees which should be structured along these statutes. The President of a Regional Subcommittee is responsible for the activities of the Subcommittees which should be annually approved by the Committee.

(5) The seat of the Committee will be in Plovdiv, the operational seat shall be located in the country of which one of the members of the Bureau is a resident.

(6) The working languages of the Committee shall be English and French.

(7) Every three years in the year of the ICOMOS General Assembly the Committee shall draw up a triennial program of activities indicating a clear and precise set of objectives for the coming three year period, a work program, a strategy for its realization and a budget and financial plan. This program shall be forwarded to the Executive Committee of ICOMOS at least three months prior to the date of the ICOMOS General Assembly.

(8) The Committee shall submit an annual report to be drawn up by the Bureau to its Members and to the Executive Committee by 31st March each year. The report shall include a list of Members, the minutes of meetings of the Committee and of the Bureau, reports of symposia conducted by the Committee and progress made in respect of the objectives of the three year program.

Article 6 - Financing

(1) The activities of the Committee shall be financed by funds allocated by ICOMOS from its annual budget, by funds obtained by the Committee on its own initiative from international and national organizations including ICOMOS National Committees, and by funds from any other source provided by way of gift, bequest, donation or sponsorship toward the achievement of the object of the Committee.

(2) The Members of the Committee obtain themselves the funds necessary to ensure their own participation in the activities of the Committee especially their presence at meetings themselves.

(3) The Committee shall draw up a budget and financial plan and shall maintain an appropriate record of all financial transactions.

Article 7 - Miscellaneous

(1) The Committee shall conform to the administrative and financial requirements of the countries in which its seats are located.

(2) The statutes may only be amended by a two third majority resolution of the Members of the Committee voting in a postal ballot subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS.

(3) Nothing in these statutes shall be interpreted in a way which is inconsistent with the realization of the object of the Committee. Any interpretation of these statutes should be made with the help of the statutes of ICOMOS. Any disputes over the interpretation of the statutes shall be arbitrated by the Executive Committee of ICOMOS.

(4) These statutes enter into force with the approval of the Committee and the approval of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS.

(5) For reasons of continuity of the Committee concerning the voting members having already served the term of Article 4(4) sentence 2, this term is increased by the first term as a member voting under these statutes.

Statuts Comité International D'architecture Vernaculaire

Article 1 – Constitution

Le Comité international d'architecture vernaculaire d'ICOMOS (désigné ci-après « le Comité») a été constitué en accord avec l'article 14 des Statuts de l'ICOMOS en 1978. Les nouveaux statuts ci-dessous, rédigés suivant les Principes d'Eger pour les Comités Scientifiques Internationaux (décision de la 10ème Assemblée Générale), ont été adoptés par le Comité durant sa réunion de septembre 1994 en Sardaigne et approuvés par le Comité Exécutif en novembre 1994 à sa réunion de Nara (Japon).

Article 2 – Objectifs

Le Comité a pour tâche de promouvoir, en accord avec les objectifs de coopération internationale de l'ICOMOS, l'identification, l'étude, la protection et la conservation de l'Architecture Vernaculaire. Celle-ci comprend les monuments vernaculaires, les groupes de bâtiments et les sites tels que définis par l'article 3 des Statuts de l'ICOMOS.

Article 3 – Activités

Afin d'atteindre ses objectifs, le Comité développera des activités qui seront en accord avec un programme triennal et devront inclure en particulier mais ne se limiteront pas:

- des conférences scientifiques en relation avec les réunions du Comité,
- des voyages d'études et des visites de chantiers,
- d'un bulletin d'information,
- d'organisation de stages pour des étudiants,
- d'information du public par des moyens propres.

Article 4 – Membres

- 1) L'adhésion est ouverte aux Membres de l'ICOMOS qui ont des compétences particulières dans le domaine de l'Architecture Vernaculaire.
- 2) Les Membres sont proposés par les Comités Nationaux ou les Membres du Bureau du Comité (Art. 5/3). Ils sont admis au Comité par décision du Comité et leur nomination devra être ratifiée par le Comité Exécutif de l'ICOMOS en accord avec l'article 14 (b) des Statuts de l'ICOMOS. L'approbation ne pourra pas être refusée sans justification.
- 3) Il est souhaitable que les Membres du Comité représentent les différentes parties du monde de manière équitable.
- 4) Des Membres Honoraires du Comité pourront être désignés par le Comité en reconnaissance des services rendus au Comité et des activités menées en faveur des objectifs du Comité.

Article 5 – Administration

- 1) Le Comité prend des décisions à la majorité des votes des Membres présents aux réunions.
- 2) Les réunions du Comité seront annuelles. Une invitation écrite du Bureau devrait parvenir à tous les Membres trois mois au moins avant la réunion.
- 3) Le Comité élit parmi les Membres : un Président, deux vice-présidents et un Secrétaire Général qui forment le Bureau pour une période de trois ans. L'élection est faite par un vote par courrier au moins deux mois avant la réunion du Comité dans l'année des élections sous la supervision d'un membre désigné par le Bureau si il y a des candidatures proposées par les Membres. Si il n'y a pas de candidatures proposées à temps, l'élection est faite en secret lors de la réunion dans l'année des élections. Les Membres du Bureau ne pourront rester en fonction plus de trois périodes consécutives. Ces périodes sont considérées indépendamment de toute période passée comme Membre du Comité. Le Bureau se réunira au moins une fois par an et devra soumettre un rapport annuel aux Membres du Comité, et au Comité Exécutif de l'ICOMOS. Le Bureau est responsable de la préparation des réunions du Comité et de l'application des décisions du Comité.
- 4) Le Comité pourra approuver ou constituer des Sous-Comités régionaux régis par ces Statuts. Le Président d'un Sous-Comité régional est responsable des activités du Sous-Comité qui seront approuvées chaque année par le Comité.
- 5) Le siège du Comité est à Plovdiv, le siège opérationnel sera situé dans le pays de résidence d'un des Membres du Bureau.
- 6) Les langues de travail du Comité seront l'anglais, le français et l'espagnol.
- 7) Tous les trois ans, l'année où se tient l'Assemblée Générale de l'ICOMOS, le Comité devra se fixer un programme d'activités pour la future période triennale. Dans ce programme seront indiqués clairement et précisément une série d'objectifs, un programme de travail, une stratégie pour sa réalisation, un budget et un plan de financement. Ce programme sera adressé au Comité Exécutif de l'ICOMOS au moins trois mois avant la date de l'Assemblée Générale de l'ICOMOS.
- 8) Un rapport annuel préparé par le Bureau sera adressé par le Comité aux Membres et au Comité Exécutif le 31 mars de chaque année. Le rapport devra inclure une liste des membres, le compte-rendu des réunions du Comité et du Bureau, les rapports des symposiums organisés par le Comité et l'état d'avancement des projets du programme triennal.

Article 6 – Finances

- 1) Les activités du Comité seront financées au moyen des fonds alloués par l'ICOMOS dans son budget annuel, des fonds recueillis à l'initiative du Comité auprès d'organisations internationales et nationales (Comités Nationaux de l'ICOMOS inclus) et des fonds provenant de toute autre source (don, legs, donations ou parrainage) pour la réalisation des tâches du Comité.
- 2) Les Membres du Comité assurent les fonds nécessaires pour leur propre participation aux activités du Comité et plus précisément leur participation aux réunions.
- 3) Le Comité devra préparer un budget, un plan de financement et bien enregistrer toute transaction financière. Chaque année, il devra prévoir la préparation d'un relevé approprié de ces transactions.

Article 7 – Divers

- 1) Le Comité devra se conformer aux exigences administratives et financières des pays où ses sièges seront installés.
 - 2) Les Statuts ne pourront être amendés que par résolution de la majorité aux deux tiers des membres du Comité. Le vote se fera par vote postal sur approbation du Comité Exécutif de l'ICOMOS.
 - 3) Les Statuts ne pourront être interprétés qu'en accord avec les objectifs du Comité. Toute interprétation de ces statuts devra se faire à l'aide des statuts de l'ICOMOS. Toute discussion sur l'interprétation des statuts sera arbitrée par le Comité Exécutif de l'ICOMOS.
 - 4) Ces Statuts entreront en vigueur avec l'accord du Comité Exécutif de l'ICOMOS.
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Estatutos del Comité Internacional de Arquitectura Vernácula

Artículo 1º. Del establecimiento.

El Comité Internacional de ICOMOS de Arquitectura Vernácula, que para efectos del presente documento en adelante se llamará "el Comité", fue establecido en 1976 de acuerdo con el Artículo No. 14 de los Estatutos del ICOMOS. Los presentes estatutos que fueron elaborados de acuerdo con los Principios establecidos para los Comités Científicos Internacionales, según la decisión de la X Asamblea General de ICOMOS, fueron adoptados por el Comité en Septiembre de 1994 y aprobados por el Comité Ejecutivo en Noviembre de 1994.

Artículo 2º. Del objetivo

El objetivo del Comité es promover, de manera congruente con los propósitos del ICOMOS internacional, la cooperación en la identificación, estudio, protección y conservación de la arquitectura vernácula incluyendo monumentos vernáculos, grupos de edificios y sitios, tal como se definen en el Artículo 3º de los Estatutos de ICOMOS.

Artículo 3º. De las actividades.

Para cumplir con el objetivo señalado, las actividades deben llevarse a cabo de acuerdo con un programa trienal t deben incluir en particular, más no exclusivamente:

- Conjuntamente con las reuniones del Comité impartir conferencias científicas,
- Viajes de estudio y visitas de sitios,
- Un boletín de noticias,
- Organización de cursos de capacitación para estudiantes
- Información al público por sus propios medios.

Artículo 4. De sus miembros

- (1) La membresía está abierta a los miembros de ICOMOS con experiencia establecida en el campo de la arquitectura vernácula.
- (2) Los miembros votantes son propuestos por los Comités Nacionales respectivos o por Miembros la Oficina del Comité (Art. 5 (3)) y son admitidos al Comité por decisión del propio Comité sujeta a la ratificación del Comité Ejecutivo de ICOMOS de acuerdo con el Artículo 14 (b) de los Estatutos de ICOMOS. La aprobación no puede ser rechazada sin justificación.
- (3) Normalmente habrá solo un Miembro Votante por país admitido en el Comité.
- (4) La membresía en el Comité se limita a un término de tres años. Un Miembro Votante normalmente no permanecerá más de tres plazos consecutivos de tres años cada uno.
- (5) Es deseable que los Miembros Votantes del Comité representen de manera equitativa las diferentes regiones del mundo.
- (6) Personas que se encuentren relacionadas con las actividades del Comité podrán ser Miembros Asociados del Comité, a propuesta de un miembro del Comité Ejecutivo (*bureau*), y aprobado por decisión del Comité (Art. 5(3)). La membresía de Asociados está también abierta a las personas que no sean miembros de ICOMOS.
- (7) Los Miembros Honorarios del Comité pueden ser elegidos por el Comité de acuerdo con los servicios prestados al Comité y por sus actividades a favor del objetivo del Comité.

Artículo 5. De la administración.

- (1) El Comité toma sus decisiones por mayoría de votos de los Miembros Votantes presentes en la reunión. Se consideran presentes, los Miembros Votantes ausentes que hayan dado un poder a alguno de los Miembros Votantes presentes en la reunión. Un miembro Votante no podrá representar a más de dos Miembros Votantes ausentes. En caso de que no se encuentre una mayoría de Miembros Votantes en la reunión, los Miembros Votantes pueden solicitar que una decisión básica sea tomada por voto postal.
- (2) Las reuniones del Comité deberán celebrarse anualmente. Todos los miembros deberán recibir una invitación escrita del Comité Ejecutivo cuando menos tres meses antes de la reunión.
- (3) Integración del Comité por Miembros Votantes: un Presidente, dos Vicepresidentes y un Secretario General quienes integrarán el Comité ejecutivo por tres años. Si hubiera candidatos propuestos por los Miembros la elección se lleva a cabo por voto postal cuando menos dos meses antes de la reunión del Comité, en el año de la elección, bajo la supervisión de un Miembro designado por el Comité Ejecutivo. De no haber candidatos propuestos a tiempo, la elección se debe llevar a cabo por votación secreta, durante la reunión del Comité, en el año de la elección. Los miembros del Comité Ejecutivo no podrán permanecer más de tres periodos consecutivos de tres años cada uno. Este plazo deberá ser considerado independientemente de cualquier término como Miembro del Comité. El Comité Ejecutivo deberá reunirse cuando menos una vez al año e informar a los Miembros del Comité y la Comité Ejecutivo de ICOMOS. El Comité Ejecutivo es responsable de la organización de las reuniones del comité y de la implementación de las decisiones del Comité.
- (4) El Comité podrá aprobar o constituir cualquier Subcomité Regional que esté estructurado de acuerdo con estos estatutos. El Presidente de un Comité Subregional es responsable de las actividades de los subcomités, las que deberán ser aprobadas anualmente por el Comité.
- (5) El asiento del Comité será en Plovdiv. El asiento operativo se ubicará en el país donde reside uno de los Miembros del Comité Ejecutivo.
- (6) Los idiomas de trabajo del Comité serán inglés y francés.
- (7) Cada tres años, durante el año en que se celebra la Asamblea general de ICOMOS, el Comité deberá elaborar un programa trienal de actividades, indicando de manera clara y precisa, el conjunto de objetivos para el siguiente trienio; un programa de trabajo; la estrategia para su realización y un presupuesto con plan financiero. Este programa deberá ser turnado al Comité Ejecutivo de ICOMOS cuando menos tres meses antes de la fecha de la siguiente Asamblea general de ICOMOS.
- (8) El Comité deberá formular un informe anual el cual deberá ser presentado por el Comité Ejecutivo a todos los Miembros, y al Comité Ejecutivo de ICOMOS para el 31 de marzo de cada año. El informe incluirá una lista de Miembros, el tiempo (minutos) que han durado las reuniones del Comité y del comité Ejecutivo, los informes de los simposios conducidos por el Comité y el avance que se tenga respecto a los objetivos planteados para el programa trienal.

Artículo 6. Del financiamiento.

- (1) Las actividades del Comité serán financiadas por fondos provistos del presupuesto anual de ICOMOS, de fondos obtenidos por el Comité a iniciativa propia de organizaciones nacionales e internacionales, incluyendo los Comités nacionales de ICOMOS, y por fondos provenientes de cualquier otra fuente entregados como obsequios, donación o patrocinio, destinados hacia el cumplimiento del objetivo del Comité.
- (2) Los Miembros del Comité deberán obtener por sí mismos los fondos para asegurar su participación en las actividades del Comité, especialmente su asistencia a las reuniones mismas.
- (3) El Comité deberá presentar un presupuesto y plan financiero y mantendrá un registro adecuado de todas las transacciones financieras.

Artículo 7. De asuntos generales.

- (1) El Comité deberá conformar los requisitos administrativos y financieros de acuerdo con los países en los cuales se encuentre ubicado.
 - (2) Los estatutos podrán ser enmendados únicamente por resolución de las dos terceras partes de los Miembros del Comité, quienes emitirán su voto postal sujeto a la aprobación del Comité Ejecutivo de ICOMOS.
 - (3) Ningún concepto de los presentes Estatutos deberá ser interpretado de manera que fuese inconsistente con la realización del objetivo del Comité. Cualquier interpretación de los presentes Estatutos deberá hacerse con el auxilio de los Estatutos de ICOMOS. Cualquier disputa acerca de la interpretación de estos Estatutos deberá ser arbitrada por el Comité Ejecutivo de ICOMOS.
 - (4) Los presentes Estatutos entrarán en funciones con la aprobación del Comité y la aprobación del Comité Ejecutivo de ICOMOS.
 - (5) Por razones de continuidad del Comité y en lo que concierne a la votación de los miembros que hayan cubierto el término establecido en el Artículo 4 (4) dictamen 2, dicho término se podrá incrementar igual al primer plazo como Miembro Votante, de acuerdo con lo establecido en los presentes Estatutos.
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WHO SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF CIAV?

Who should be a member of CIAV?

As a result of the adoption of the Eger-Xi'an Principles, ICOMOS scientific committees will be asked to provide a definition of expert members. The answer for some committees will be straightforward, but this may not be the case for others.

When I first joined ICOMOS Canada, I was fascinated by the various disciplines that were gathered in the organization. I could talk of my work to architects, engineers, archaeologists, planners, and archivists, among others, and I enjoyed the feedback they provided. I was no longer working in isolation.

I found the same diversity of interests when I joined CIAV. People were interested in anthropology, in traditional crafts, in open-air museums, in farms, in indigenous villages as well as in architecture. This diversity of interests is derived from the fact that part of the nature of vernacular architecture forces researchers to constantly delve a little deeper through various disciplinary approaches. And we all know that a sound conservation practice requires a multi-disciplinary team.

Over the next few months, members of CIAV will be asked for their views on who should be an expert member of the committee. It is my sincere wish that the definition will be inclusive rather than exclusive, and I am most anxious to hear your views on this issue.

Marc de Caraffe



CIAV Conference

As you all know we are going to celebrate in Mexico the CIAV annual meeting and scientific conference. We invite you to present a special paper and participate in all the activities. We hope that Professor Paul Oliver may assist as keynote speaker of the conference, which will enrich this event.

Also it is interesting to mention that we will have the opportunity to advise the lady Mayor of Pátzcuaro. She is very much interested in talk to all of us about the problems to preserve this particular historical vernacular city.

If some of you has not received the documents to register or has some questions to make, please write me to: valeriaprieto@hotmail.com or prietovale@gmail.com

Best greetings,

Valeria Prieto

***The San Antonio project fire-wood stove won a first international prize***

In the recuperation of vernacular houses in San Antonio, Michoacán, Mexico, we have introduced in the traditional kitchens, the "Patsari" stove, which has been designed by Dr. Omar Masera, the project leader and Professor Víctor Berrueta of the Mexican National Autonomous University. This stove is a locally adapted fuel-efficient stove design that boasts up to 60% reduction in fuel wood use and a 70% reduction in indoor air pollution and has just won The Ashden Awards for sustainable energy. The Prince of Wales, Patron of the Ashden Awards, also addressed the awards and personally congratulated all the winners in a separate private ceremony.

Miles Lewis collaboration notes*TOMO NO URA, JAPAN*

Following the resolution on Tomo-no-Ura, Japan, which CIAV successfully brought to the General Assembly of ICOMOS in Xi'an in 2006, ICOMOS Japan invited Dr Kim Kwang Sik (Korea), Professor Miles Lewis (Australia), and Dr Christoph Machat (Germany) to discuss the issue with local bodies. The panel visited Japan in November 2005 and met with the Minister, the Mayor of Fukuyama City, Officers of the Section of Road Construction of Hiroshima Prefecture, and local conservationists at Tomo. The response was not encouraging, but the panel has recommended an international competition to propose a solution for road planning and related issues in Tomo.

CONSTRUCTION HISTORY CONGRESS IN ENGLAND

The Second International Construction History Congress was held in Cambridge, England, in April 2006. Many topics of vernacular interest were discussed, including traditional master carpenters' manuals in Taiwan, brickwork in Leiden, early construction in the Marche region of Italy, wood in Morisco houses in Granada, the 'Salt Landscape' of Margherita di Savoia, historic roof trusses in German-speaking central Europe, ancient wooden roofs in Sicily, the sub-rafter (*sous-arbalétrier*) in medieval France, *tapia* (pisé de terre) walls in Seville, and bond timber in English brick buildings. Miles Lewis of CIAV gave a paper 'Puncheons and Dragons' relating to post-Renaissance carpentry traditions.

Contested terrains*Fremantle, Western Australia**30 September - 2 October, 2006*

Call for Proposals:

SAHANZ calls for proposals for individual papers and session panels for its 2006 conference addressing the theme Contested Terrains which describe the diverse and competing array of perspectives that converge around any given historical subject of architecture. The theme builds on the complex interplay and tensions that derive from the varied range of histories, theories, meanings and values surrounding our sense and understanding of architectural and urban form.

It accommodates the controversial, problematic, volatile, contradictory and ambiguous and asks what this implies for the history of architecture and related fields. In what ways, furthermore, can we begin to think, see and frame architecture and urban space as particular sites of contestation, as terrains inhabited and overlaid by the conflicting imperatives of history and theory or demands of academy, profession and community? To what degree should we celebrate or limit the conflict of such narratives and counter-realities? And does the idea of Contested Terrains represent an opportunity or threat to our comprehension of architecture identity, purpose and significance? Contested Terrains pronounce on the profound and multiple collisions of narratives that impact on the way we historically experience, interpret and critically engage with architecture and the urban realm.

We invite both individual and panel session proposals from members and friends of SAHANZ to consider in the broadest terms Contested Terrains. All abstracts and the final papers will be subject to a double blind

refereeing process. The Conference organizing committee will select Panel session submissions as outlined below. Authors will need to submit accepted papers in full accordance with the timeline below. Other than approved session proposals, the conference organizing committee will group the delivery of individual papers into themes.

Proposal Deadline: 21 April 2006. Submission Guidelines for Individual Papers:

For further conference information and updates refer to:

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