

CIAV ANNUAL MEETING AND SEMINAR FINNSKOGEN 2010





The fortress in Konsvinger

Once more CIAV members came together in Norway to celebrate the CIAV Annual Meeting and Seminar that took place in Konsvinger, Finniskogen region. The seminar's theme was: Vernacular Crossing Borders.

The first day we had the opportunity to visit in Konsvinger, the fortress, the traditional houses so well preserved and a special museum of women located in a traditional house, where we were offered a delicious tee.



**Visiting traditional
neighborhood
In Konsvinger**



**Drinking tee at the
museum**





CIAV group visit the work of the students who are reconstructing a vernacular farm house





Östmark church 1765

“CIAV VERNADOC 2010” measure-documenting camp organized by Markku Mattila. Measuring and drawing the cross border building tradition of Finnsylvania: the wooden church of Östmark



Visiting and opening the CIAV VERNADOC 2010 exhibition



Juhola, farm with many buildings, house for living c.1750





Two smoke ovens in different
smoke cottages in Scandinavia





Skansegarden dinner



Kirstin birthday in Konsvinger



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During the CIAV meeting Marc de Caraffe acknowledged the organizers of the ICOMOS from Norway, Sweden and Finland who made the conference and all of the activities possible.

Marc presented his report as CIAV President and mentioned that CIAV membership had continued growing; also he reported about his trip to Korea, and in relation to the catastrophes of Haiti and Chile, he mentioned the Blue Shield Committee and Maria Ines' collaboration in sending information from Chile.

Also mentioned was the remarkable work of our colleague Markku Mattila from Finland who is doing a very good job with VERNADOC.

He informed all the members that the Declaration from Rumania 2009 was adopted.

We were informed that the ICOMOS General Assembly next year will be held in Paris, and that the CIAV will have its annual conference and meeting there

Hossam Magdy proposed that the CIAV meeting in March 2012 be held in Abu Dabi.

Olga Sivan, our colleague from Russia, made an invitation to participate in the International Scientific and Practical Conference "Culture of Wood – Wood in Culture" that will be held in Rostov Velikij, Yaroslavl region, on 24-28 September 2010. Marc de Caraffe designated Valeria Prieto as an official representative at this conference.

KONSVINGER DECLARATION ON *VERNACULAR CROSSING BORDERS*

On behalf of ICOMOS Norway, ICOMOS Sweden and ICOMOS Finland AND OF THE International Vernacular Committee (CIAV), an international scientific committee of ICOMOS, the participants of Vernacular Crossing Borders conference representing experts in heritage and conservation from all over the world , gathered in Kongsvinger, Norway, would like to present to the responsible authorities and the inhabitants of Kongsvinger the following:

- We want to express our thanks to the authorities of the very kind reception and welcome in the beautiful town of Kongsvinger,
- We want to express our sincere admiration for the unique historic character of Obrebyen, a district characterized by its pride of place, its sense of history and harmony in the use of materials, in the scale and shape of buildings and streets, alignments, noting that intrusions are rare and do not affect the overall sense of history of the place,

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- **We would like to express our recognition for the efforts undertaken to preserve this historic district,**
- **We also want to express the necessity to maintain and protect the continuity of the historic development of Kongsvinger,**
- **We urge the responsible authorities to protect the history character of Kongsvinger by all possible means in order to ensure that this special place will be preserved for future generations in its authenticity,**
- **Finally, we would like to offer our professional advice in order to preserve the historic character of Kongsvinger.**

POST CONFERENCE TOUR

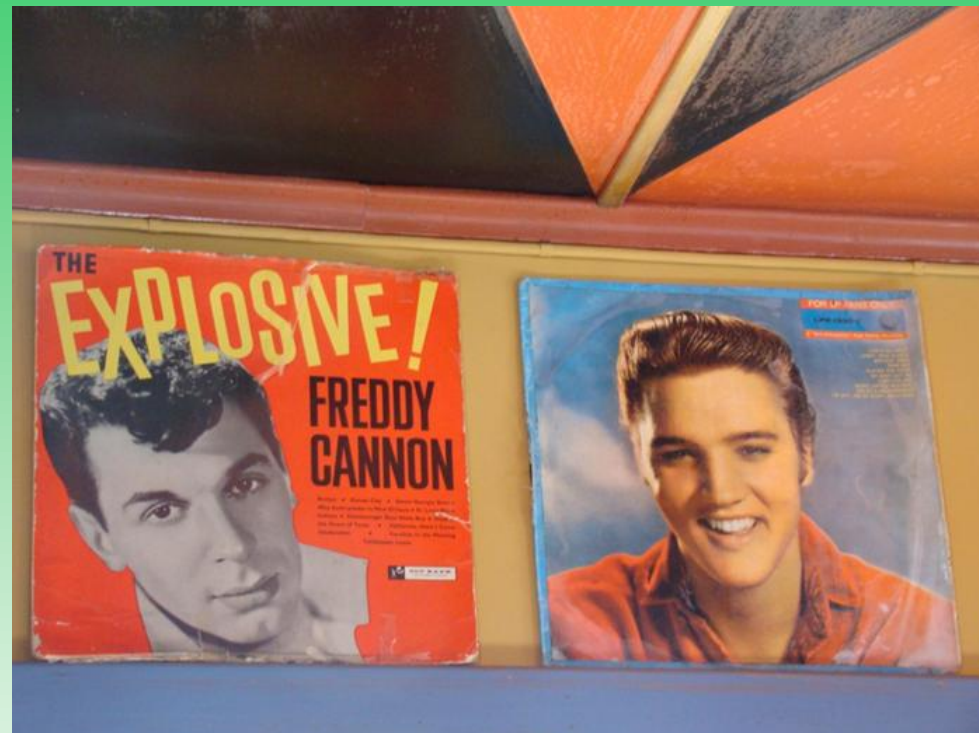
The post conference tour was marvelous organized by our colleague Lena Palmquist from Sweden. I want to During the excursion we visited many interesting traditional ancient farms of different kinds, and a remarkable very well preserved historic mining town of Roros, UNESCO World Heritage Site, at the North of Norway.

All this in the frame of a beautiful landscape of woods, mountains and lakes, never ending.





Roros, Norway, mining town, World Heritage Site



On the road we stop at a coffee shop
from the fifties where we took lunch





Farms in Hälsingland with richly decorated porches



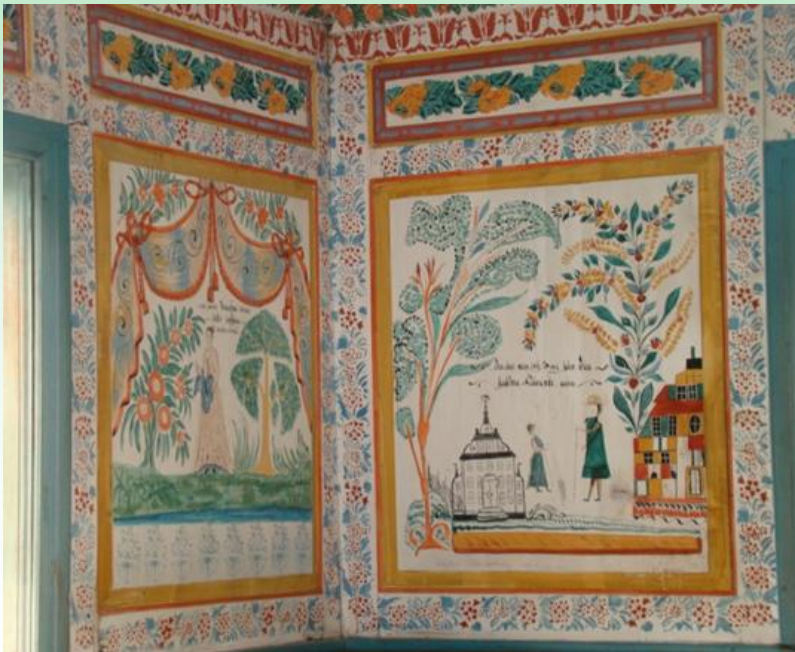
Our CIAV group visiting this traditional farm



Farms in Hälsingland with wall paper and wall paintings



Wall paintings in a rural farm
In Hälsingland



Lena and Maria Ines During the visit to Hälsingland farms



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