2011 Annual report of ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Training (CIF)

1 Basic data to be provided by all the Committees
1-1 President:
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Ms. Mehr-Azar Soheil (EN), ICCROM; Tel: (+)39 346 0232113, Email: a.soheil@fastwebnet.it; ICOMOS Member
1-4 Number of members: 41 National Committees represented: 113 experts, 3 associate, 1 honorary, 4 institutional members
1-5 Number of new members in 2011: 14 experts, 0 associate, 0 institutional members
1-6 Committee created in: 1984/12/19
1-7 Last revision of Statutes: 2008/09/29
1-8 Website of the Committee: http://cif.icomos.org
1-9 Committee’s representative(s) at the Advisory Committee meeting (Paris, November 2011): Mrs. Lyse Blanchet, Canada, Vice-President
2-3 Committee’s representative(s) at other ICOMOS meetings: AGM and Conference, Paris in 2011: Mr Carlo Cesàri, Italy, President; Mrs. Lyse Blanchet, Canada, Vice-President; Mrs. Mehr-Azar Soheil, Finland, Secretary General;

2 Statutory and Business Meetings
2-1 2011 meetings:
Board meeting, 2011/03/07, Skype meeting
Board meeting, 2011/08/04-07, Rome, Italy
Board and GA meeting, 2011/11/26, Paris, France
2-2 Date and place of last elections: 2009/03/21 ballots by Email
2-3 Officers elected:
Mr. Carlo Cesàri, 2009-2012
Mr. Jaroslav Kilián, Slovak Republic, vice president, 2009-2012
Mrs. Lyse Blanchet, Canada, vice president, 2009-2012
2-4 Non-elected candidates:
Ms. Clara A. Arokiasamy, UK, for a vice president position
2-5 Summary for the Annual Report:
The board held three meetings to discuss the logistic for the revision of the ICOMOS “Guidelines for the Conservation of Monuments, Ensembles and Sites”; to develop initiatives for the three year program; to prepare for the ADCOM 2011 and Scientific Council meetings in Paris.

3 Scientific Work Programme
3-1 Date adoption of the Scientific Work Programme:
3-2. Suggestions for new initiatives: Working group on training and education in crafts for heritage conservation - The development of a workprogram; Digitalisation of CIF and other important training documents: Working group on “Network for Universities” – The creating of a working group and of a workprogram. An international working conference will be organized in Florence, Italy, in the spring 2013.

4 Seminars / Workshop / Poster Sessions Advertizing CIF
4-1 List of gatherings:
4.1.1 Workshop: The revision of the ICOMOS Guidelines for the Conservation of Monuments, Ensembles and Sites, Rome (Italy), 2011-08-04, 5 participants. (La
revision des Directives pour l'enseignement de la conservation des monuments, ensembles et sites) ; presentation of the Capacity Building Concept.

4.1.2 Poster Session: The Promotion of the ICOMOS Internal Scientific Committees – CIF Poster Booth, Paris (France), 2011-11-29, 16 participants.

4.1.3 Workshop: The revision of the ICOMOS Guidelines for the Conservation of Cultural Heritage, Paris (France), 2011-12-02, 16 participants: La Cité Internationale Universitaire de Paris, Maison de l’Allemagne (Heinrich-Heine)

4.2 Summary for the Annual Report:

4.2.1 CIF held one (1) workshop that dealt with the revision of the ICOMOS Guidelines for the Conservation of Monuments, Ensembles and Sites. The Concept of Capacity Building was presented and discussed: Paris, France Dec 2nd, 2011

What is Capacity Building?
Identifying resources and respective training requirement to ensure the conservation of the cultural heritage. Resources such as organisations, institutions, institutes; private sector professional firms; education and training centres; certification agencies; owners, custodians, users of heritage, public, practitioners (designers, craftsmen, consultants…), contractors; communities and employers.

What is the impact on the revision of the guidelines?
Very useful so far therefore the revision shall be an expansion of that: Sets of overarching principles, a code of practice that practitioners and contractors abide by; proposes a checklist to refer to when defining and evaluating the competency of practitioners, when developing national education and training standards and programs or specific cultural tourism programmes, and to accredit training programmes and individuals (practitioners and educators); brings some consistency; is understandable by the politicians and the general public; the Guidelines could be useful to the implementation of the European Landscape Convention, for example.

How can we proceed with the revision of the Guidelines?
It was suggested that the 1993 Guidelines, just as the Venice Charter, should be retained as a basic reference guideline; and that the COTAC Guidelines could be considered a framework for different disciplines to develop their respective guidelines. These individual toolkits would be considered an appendix, as well as the Glossary of relevant terms used in the guidelines (document that was requested in Dublin meeting). Looking at the evolution of cultural heritage at ICOMOS and World Heritage, there are a number of definitions that CIF should reflect upon including what heritage is today, as it was done for the 1993 Guidelines.

It was decided that the Guidelines will be reviewed by the participants, and that a working group will be created to develop the schedule and work program; those present in this meeting could be taken as forming the working group.

CIF is moving towards a series of documents on training. The circulated texts can be taken as part of the process to clarify ideas, and need to be properly structured and verified forming a general framework and more detailed guidelines. These guidelines would be addressing all the different types of conservationists, not only conservation professionals, but also others, such as firemen, technicians, electricians. Target groups are directly related to the types of heritage. CIF will create working groups that will represent each target groups and will also work with other ISCs.

There is a need for a set of principles and guidelines to how to initiate capacity building; what strategy, how to help the NCs and ISCs with their needs; CIF Doc should be the link between WH Doc, state parties and institutions.

How can we monitor progress/success?
By organising meetings to bring people together to report and discuss how they are using the Guidelines; ICOMOS national committees and CIF sub-committees should report on how the Guidelines are implemented, and submit an updated list of training programmes (the target audience is larger than ICOMOS);

5 International Monuments and Sites Day on 18 April
The Committee has not been involved in this event.

6 Heritage Alerts and Heritage@Risk
The Committee has not been involved in this publication, however, the revised Guidelines now introduces the concept of risk awareness and preparedness. The preventive monitoring of cultural heritage sites is also identified as one of the main activities of a cultural resource conservation and management plan.
World Heritage related activities
7.1 List of activities: The Committee has not been involved in these activities.

Other Activities and Programmes
Suggestio
ns for new initiatives: History of CIF; History of Training Guidelines 1993; Digitalisation of CIF and other important training documents; Work programme for 2013-2014; Website – The refreshment of the layout and structure; CIF archival documents and their classification.

Publications

Current topics
In addition to the themes mentioned above, the Committee activated its sub-committee on Crafts in conservation. The charter has not been developed yet, but expected in early 2012.

Partners
11.1 Partnerships with other Committees and/or affinity organizations: ICCROM and the following ISCs: CIAV, CIPA, Stained Glass International Committee, International Committee on Risk Preparedness; and the following Institutions: European Centre for Trades and Professions for the Conservation of Architectural Heritage, Centre for Conservation and Preservation of Islamic Architecture, Confédération de l’artisanat et des petites entreprises du bâtiment, École d’Avignon.
11.2 Summary for the Annual Report: The Committee has four (4) institutional members, including CAPEB (Confédération de l’artisanat et des petites entreprises de bâtiment), the European Centre for Trades and Professions for the Conservation of Architectural Heritage, École d’Avignon, and Centre for Conservation and Preservation of Islamic Architecture. The Committee also developed a partnership with The Ireland Construction Industry Federation, Heritage Contractors Group, ICOMOS Ireland and ICOMOS UK on the Seminar on the Register of heritage contractors of Ireland.

Obituary

Awards

Photographs
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14.4 AGM and Conference, Paris in 2011

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