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New Year Greetings from the President and Bureau

Dear members of ICOMOS ISC on Shared Built Heritage, dear colleagues and friends,

On behalf of the Bureau and myself I like to whish you a very happy new year, blessed with good health and prosperousness.

On October 15th a new bureau was elected on our annual meeting in Gdansk.

One of our main objectives for the next period is the raising of membership of SBH by a policy of transparent information on all issues concerning the committee and its members. We believe that the engagement and cooperation in the work of the committee is will be encouraged. This is why we start with this first newsletter which we like to continue every 4 month.

Besides this we are happy to announce the opening of our new www.site www.iscsbh.14art.com. The web site is waiting to be filled in with your contributions.

We are convinced that the activities of the members and friends of the committee in 2010 will lead to a successful and tremendous work according to our mission. For this task we need your collaboration and engagement.

Thank you in advance and have a happy new year!

Yours

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Introduction of the newly elected Bureau

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Policy making power for the guidance of the committee,
Leading and responsible for
- Contact to ICOMOS Head Office
- Contact to the National Committees, the IS Committees, the IS Council and Advisory Committee
- Annual report
- Annual Meeting
- Flyer or handout
- Newsletter

**Member Care:**
- Vitalisation of the expert members
- Call for new members

**Activities:**
- Conferences, Symposia, Excursion
- Regional Meetings, Conferences, Symposia etc
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Special Tasks with in the Bureau:
- regional officer for S-Asia, Middle Asia and the Middle East
- Conference, symposia in the region, regional meetings
- communication and Public Relation
- Flyer, Handout
- Newsletter
- Vitalization the expert members
- Publications
- SBH Annual Meeting
- Contact to Universities and Scholars
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Positions:  ICOMOS Australia secretary (2004-08)
ISC’s: member of CIVVIH

Special Tasks:
- regional officer for East Asia, the Pacific and Australia / New Zealand
- vitalisation of expert members, call for new members
- conferences, symposia, regional meetings
- Bibliography of SBH and world overview of SBH
- www.site
- Newsletter
- Flyer
- Call for members
- Conferences, symposia, workshops
- Adjusting statues
- SBH Annual Meeting
- Contact to Universities and Scholars
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- Contact with Head office of ICOMOS International, Paris
- Cheque ICOMOS Intern. www.site, e-news, calendar
- SBH Annual report
- SBH www.site
- SBH Newsletter
- Financing, Sponsoring
- Maintaining the archival record and institutional memory
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Profession: Beverley is a heritage manager and specialist in the field of built environment and cultural landscape and; community participation and development.

Provincial Manager for SA Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) in the Western Cape Province.

Education: She studied architecture at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT) and, obtained a Masters degree in Housing and Economic Development from the University of Cape Town (UCT). She is currently studying towards a Masters in City and Regional Planning at UCT.

Memberships of note: Executive Secretary ICOMOS-SA; Board Member Castle Control Board for the Kasteel de Goede Hoop; Trustee Cape Town Heritage Trust; Convener and Chairperson of the SAHRA Built Environment and Landscape Permit Committee; Member of the Heritage Western Cape Built Environment and Landscape Permit Committee; Founding Member Robben Island Heritage Advisory Committee; Founding Member of Association of Heritage Assessment Practitioners (AHAP); Member of the Cape Institute of Architecture Heritage Committee; Exexutive and Founding Member of Hear2day, Advocacy Group for the Hearing Impaired.

Special Tasks within the Bureau:
- regional officer for Africa
- call for new members and member care
- conferences, seminars, etc. in the region
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- regional officer for Europe
- call for new members and member care
- conferences, seminars, etc. in the region

Regional officer for North America: pending

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Regional officer for Middle and South America: pending

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- call for new members and member care
- conferences, seminars, etc. in the region
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- Member care, updating the list

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Vice President Europa Nostra Germany

Special Tasks within the Bureau:
- Contact to other ICOMOS International Scientific Committees
Agenda of activities in 2010

A call for new members in the regions
- A letter from the President and the regional ISC SBH officers will be sent to the presidents of the ICOMOS National Committees
- The letter will request each national committee to help look for and encourage ICOMOS members of each national ICOMOS branch to join ISC Shared Built Heritage!

Conferences and meetings
**Annual SBH meeting and conference**
- Venue is Paramaribo, the capital of Suriname
  Dates are rescheduled for 18 – 25th October 2010.
  The conference theme will be: ‘A new life for historic cultural landscapes’, with the commercial plantation region as a local issue. Possibilities for use, reuse and revitalization will be discussed. Two subthemes are included in the program, offering opportunities to talk about the social impact of restructuring historic cultural landscapes for the local community and, secondly, the value of oral history and archives for understanding the spirit of the place.
  - A Call for Papers is published on the ISC SBH website.
  - Deadline for abstracts of presentations is 1 June 2010.

Regional activities
- It is an essential request to built up and strengthen the activities in the regional work of SBH. This goes in close linkage with the policy for the call for new members. Cooperation and suggestions are very much welcome!
- In the East Asia-region there are negotiations going on for some activities, like an symposium on SBH in Asia in Shanghai during the EXPO and a cooperation with mAAN (Modern Asian Architecture Network) in 2011

**SBH-www.site**
- We are happy to announce the new [www.site](http://www.site) of SBH Committee:
ICOMOS Scientific Council meeting

- The next ICOMOS Scientific Council will be held in Dublin, Ireland from 26-31 October, 2010. The topic is ‘social change and heritage’, being the third symposium dealing with the triennial theme of ‘change’.

The 21st century has witnessed far-reaching political, economic, and cultural transformations that combine industrialisation, mass migration, regional fragmentation, ethnic tensions, and the fluctuations of transnational markets, all of which transcend and permeate traditional political and cultural boundaries. There are many questions posed by these issues, primarily because contemporary Social Change is so complex and far reaching - and it interacts with Technological Change and Global Climate Change in unpredictable ways. As cultural heritage is created by people and valued by people, the changes in lifestyles, values and economics will undoubtedly have significant impacts on both the form and significance of heritage. The symposium ‘social change’ sub-themes are: 1. The Heritage of Changing/Evolving Communities 2. Diasporic, Immigrant and Indigenous Heritage 3. Religious Heritage 4. Sites of Conscience and 5. The Social Impacts of Global Climate Change

All members of SBH are strongly encourage to submit an abstract which has a focus on Shared Built Heritage is a component of ‘social change’. For more information please contact Sue Jackson-Stepowski on stwpowsk@tpg.com.au

- Call for papers opened on 23 December 2009. Abstracts for papers or posters should be a maximum of 250 words in English or French, be submitted by 1 March 2010 to pamela.jerome@icomos.org.

Other ICOMOS meetings and conferences

Below are other ICOMOS National and International Scientific Committees activities which have a special aspect on Shared Built Heritage.


- CIVVIH (Historic Towns and Villages)
Symposium and Annual Meeting 6-11 April in Valetta, Malta with post tour of Sicily
Topic: The Historic City, a Reference Model for Sustainable Urban Development
Policies. Do you believe that the historic city is a model for sustainable development? If so, for what reasons? CIIVIH wants to learn about them. The Symposium will also adopt a declaration on this matter which all those working at the conservation of historic towns will be able to use to influence decision makers who want to implement sustainable development policies in their towns.

Abstracts of max. 250 words to be sent to the Scientific Program Coordinator MichelBonne@videoton.ca by 31st January 2010

- CIAV (Vernacular Architecture) with ICOMOS Norway, Sweden and Finland Annual Meeting and Seminar 31 May - 4th June 2010 in Finnskogen, Norway with post tours of Sweden or Finland
Topic: "Vernacular Crossing Borders" The venue, Finnskogen, is an area straddling the border between Norway and Sweden, where generations of Finnish immigrants have lived on the fringe of the existing native society and developed their own vernacular heritage based on traditions from their homeland. This Finnish immigrant community offers unique opportunities for the study of the assimilation of a foreign minority culture into an established society - the survival of national identity in the face of an adopted environment. Their history, way of life and the question of future conservation will be issues for in-depth discussion throughout the conference. Submission of Abstracts have closed on 1 December 2009. Contacts: Anne-Berit Breisjoberget: abbreis@start.no or Gisle Jakhelln: gi-jakhe@online.no

Other recent news

- 2010 Earthquake in Haiti
Brief history: The word ‘Haiti’ is reputedly from the language of the Taino Indians who were the original inhabitants of the island. It means highlands and beautiful lands. Genoa born, Christopher Columbus was one of the first Europeans to set foot on the island in 1493, which he named for the Spanish crown La Isla Española (“the Spanish Island”), or Hispánola. By the mid 1600s the French also set up colonies on its western end. Constant conflicts between the two colonial powers resulted in the Treaty of Ryswick in 1697, wherein the western third fell under the control of France while the East portion remained part of Spain (now the Dominican Republic). Both colonial powers introduced West African peoples as ‘slave labour’. Haiti was one of the first countries in the Caribbean to gain independence in 1803. Haiti contains a diverse ‘shared heritage’ of mainly French and Creole origins. [sources: various web sites accessed 2010feb5].

World heritage sites: “National History Park of Citadel, Sans Souci, and Ramiers is situated in the north of Haiti, and another site is near Jacmel in the southeast. The National History Park is an early 19th century complex, which includes the ruins of a
royal palace and the largest fortress of the western hemisphere, appears to have been largely spared by the 2010 earth quake. But UNESCO is still waiting for detailed information about the impact of the quake on the property which was inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List in 1982. Reports of extensive damage are coming in from Jacmel, the colonial city the Haitian authorities placed on their "tentative list" in 2004 with a view to proposing its inscription on UNESCO's World Heritage List. Many of the buildings of the French colonial town, founded in the late 17th century are reported to have collapsed. The World Heritage Centre will be helping Haiti assess the extent of the damage and determine how to go about saving its heritage as soon as possible.” [source accessed 2010feb5: http://whc.unesco.org/en/news/579]

ICOMOS International response: ICOMOS President, Gustavo Araoz, has written to all ISCs and national branches, and has “established a Steering Committee for the Recovery of the Cultural Heritage of Haiti. The Committee Chair is former ICOMOS Secretary-General and current President of ICOMOS Canada, Dinu Bumbaru; members are Rohit Jigyasu (India), Stephen Kelley (United States), Kanefusa Masuda (Japan), Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy (Australia), Axel Mykleby (Norway), Esteban Prieto Vicioso (Dominican Republic), Samuel N Stokes (United States), Tong Mingkang (China), Rasool Vatandoust (Iran), Trinidad Rico of Argentina and Donald Del Cid (Guatemala). The mission of the Committee is to coordinate all initiatives proceeding from all sources abroad and to manage the complex stages in the recovery of the Haitian cultural heritage affected by the 12 January 2010 earthquake.” [source: list serve email 2010jan31 from Gustavo Araoz, President ICOMOS]