

SBH Newsletter 2011 n°2 - October

Dear members of Shared Built Heritage,
colleagues and friends,

I hope you are enjoying good health and you had a wonderful summer time if in the northern hemisphere, and for those in the southern hemisphere now anticipating a warm spring.

Bureau Elections

As we now approach the 2011 Paris General Assembly, this also marks the triennial term of the ISC SBH Bureau is coming to an end. According to the statutes the term of the Bureau is linked with the period between two General Assemblies. The current SBH Bureau started the last period a bit late with the elections of the Bureau members held during the ISC meeting in Gdansk on 15 October 2009. We therefore need to decide whether the Bureau should complete the three year term until October 2012 or step back with the new election in Paris on our annual meeting on 2nd December 2011. As the rules also states a three month prior period we will be unable to hold elections at the AGM but will hold these electronically with the calling for nominations to be announced shortly for the following positions.

President, 2 Vice Presidents and General Secretary

Regional Officers to co0ordinate each region covering

- Africa,
- Asia and the Pacific
- South and Middle Americas
- North America
- Europe

Officer for membership affairs

Paris 2011 General Assembly ISC SBH meeting attendance

Our colleagues in ICOMOS France have set aside **Friday 2nd December from 4 to 7pm** (16.00-19.00) for individual ISCs to hold their meetings. Issues to be discussed will be the

- o *SBH activities planned for the next years of 2012-2013*
- o *a proposal from our Chinese colleagues to prepare an International Charter on the Conservation of Shared Built Heritage*
- o *encouraging new activities and membership*
- o *election of the new bureau*

It is **most urgent** that you tells us immediately to say your will be **attending the SBH meeting** on 2nd December. Please email your return reply to Vice President, Sue Jackson-Stepowski on < stepowsk@tpg.com.au > **by Monday 31 October 2011.**

Paris 2011 General Assembly SBH visit to Bois de Vincennes

We have been very lucky to have an expert tourist guide volunteer to show us around *Bois de Vincennes* on **Sunday 27th November 2011 between 11am-1pm** (11.00-13.00). The site is on the western side of inner Paris, accessible by metro. To secure a place please send your immediate return email to Sue on < stepowsk@tpg.com.au > **by Monday 31 October 2011** (subject to numbers attending). Directions and the meeting point will then be provided.



Bois de Vincennes contains the remains of the two colonial exhibitions of 1907 and 1931. Here also is the former "Palais des Colonies" built in 1930 in a typical Art Nouveau style but using elements and materials, such as wood, sourced from the colonies, as well as enormous frescoes 1300m² on the facade which tell about the marvels of French colonisation of those countries. Inside there are 3 very interesting rooms with mosaics and paintings to the glory of French colonisation. Today it is a centre for the immigration of the last 200

years: Poland, Spain, North Africa and so on. Some buildings are undergoing restoration.

Review of SBH activities since 2009

Symposiums: SBH has been most fortunate with member involvement resulting in symposia held each year of the 2009-2011 triennium.

"SBH of northern Poland" October 2008 in Gdansk, Poland

was organised by Professor Romana Cielatkowska and hosted by the Gdańsk Technical University, Faculty of Architecture, with post conference tours to Pasłęk, Marianka and Zulawy. The conference discussed various aspects of shared built heritage in the region of northern Poland. Case studies included: the "Restoration of Frescoes and Wall Paintings in Eastern Europe", which have had successive custodians over time such as Germans, Polish and Ukraine peoples; restoration of the Gothic Church in Marianka: the Urban Conservation in the Old Town of Pasłęk (before WW2: Preußisch Holland) - a very interesting example which was caused by shifting borders; and Dutch influence and Menonite heritage on the historic cultural landscape in the delta of Vistula River.



International participants
of the SBH Committee
(from left)

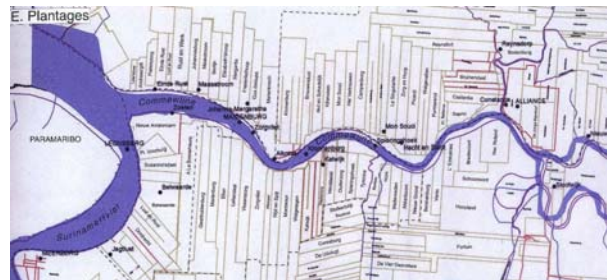
Dr. Claus-Peter Echter (G)
Benedict Goes, (NL)
Tatiana Vachrameevz, (Ru),
Dr. Siegfried Enders, (G)
Prof. Dr. Romana
Cielatkowska, (PI), Susan
Jackson- Stepowski, (Aus)
Peter van Dun, (NL)
Dr. Gabriele Horn (G),
Irmela Spelsmann (G)

2008 SBH AGM meeting in Gdansk (Michal Krenz)

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“Shared Heritage in Historic Cultural Landscapes of colonial plantations” Paramaribo, Suriname, October 2010, was organised by former SBH President Peter van Dun and acting Secretary-General Benedict Goes in collaboration with former members of ICOMOS Suriname, the National Archive of Suriname and the Ministry of Education and Community Development.

The goal of the conference was to discuss the development of the Commewijne area, a former Dutch colonial plantation area in the north of Suriname, and learn about other examples of similar types of shared heritage in cultural landscapes in the Caribbean Area and Africa. Workshop recommendations were conveyed to the Government of Suriname (Ministry of Education and Community Development).



There were 9 international presentations as well as those by 23 local participants.

SBH participants: Dr. Siegfried Enders, President (G), Benedict Goes, General Secretary (NL), Peter van Dun (NL), Dr. Claus-Peter Echter (G), Prof. Dr. Michel Doortmont (NL) and Hasti Tarekat (IDN)



“Shared built heritage in Africa” Castle of Good Hope, Cape Town South Africa, June 2011, was initially organised by Beverley Crouts-Knipe, who sadly passed away in early 2011, then continued by Laura Robinson (Cape Town Heritage Trust) in collaboration with ICOMOS South Africa, South African Heritage Resources (SAHRA), Department of Cultural Affairs and Sport: PGWC, Castle Control Board, Cape Town Heritage Trust.

The conference goal was to obtain an overview of the Shared Built Heritage in Sub Sahara Africa, and mainly in South Africa itself, such as ‘What is there? How it is treated?’ A conclusion reached is a great demand to continue the discussion and to learn more about those countries and areas unable to participate this time. Shared influences arise from not only the French, British and Portuguese, but also the Belgian, Spanish and Italian connections which also need to be highlighted.

Conclusions of the meeting on “Shared Built Heritage in Africa”

The conclusions below were reached after a short debate held at the closure of the symposium on Shared Built Heritage in Africa. They are by no means complete but serve as the beginning of an extended conversation on the topic of Shared Built Heritage, what it means to different communities, and how the layered significances relating to the built heritage can be acknowledged and made evident.

- 1 Thanks were expressed for the opportunity to unpack the concept of ‘shared built heritage’, which has traditionally been one of contestation, particularly in South Africa.
- 2 An understanding should be generated as to the economic and social realities prevalent in Africa, this impacts upon the manner in which heritage sites and buildings can be shared as ‘mutual heritage’, it also raises the question as to what the legacy will be for future generations.
- 3 It is understood that the significance of the built heritage in Africa is not necessarily always related to the aesthetic or architectural value, but may often be concentrated upon the intangible values, (such as events, people or practices) that are associated with the building, site or place.
- 4 There is an urgent need to promote an inclusive understanding of the values, narratives and stories, i.e. the layers, to redefine identity and develop a truly shared heritage.
- 5 There was considerable debate on the term ‘shared’ as it seems to be a contested word. It was not always clear if the values of the place were shared by various communities and that possibly a mutual or negotiated set of values could become a statement of significance.
- 6 The context of the built environment, i.e. the cultural or urban landscape within which the building is situated cannot and should not be ignored.
- 7 The term ‘shared built heritage’ can only be valid if the heritage is appreciated and valued by the local communities.
- 8 The goal of the SBH should be to strive and facilitate ‘shared’ heritage.
- 9 It is important to be proud of one’s own heritage in order to develop a respect for others’ heritage.
- 10 Whilst noting that Africa is not particularly good at promoting its built heritage and that much of that heritage is ephemeral and transitory, the SBH should strive to assist in the promotion of Africa’s cultural heritage.
- 11 The ‘fostering’ of an association with place (also the artifacts or objects in the landscape) will assist in the understanding of the significance of the place.
- 12 The values of a site or building are not necessarily always associated with heritage significance, but often with its potential for development.
- 13 Learn lessons from the past to inform and create lessons for the future for settlement making (how buildings relate to settlement)
- 14 Many questions remain regarding the modernist approach to planning and urban transportation and context.
- 15 In terms of the broader environmental concerns that are an integral part of how we value heritage, consideration should be given to the sustainability and the embodied energy in existing heritage sites.

NOTE: The term ‘site’ and ‘place’ has been used interchangeably and as captured in the remarks above. One of the issues that will require consideration is the terminology that is to be adopted by the ISC SBH. The symposium resolution will be put to the Advisory Council meeting in Paris.

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“Shared Built Heritage in Africa” symposium delegates on the Cape Town tour

International participants included: Dr. Claus-Peter Echter (G), Dr. Siegfried Enders (G), Prof. Dr. Romana Cielatkowska (Pl), Susan Jackson- Stepowski, (Aus). Representing ICOMOS and SBH South Africa were Prof. Dr. Karel Bakker, ICOMOS SA VP Andrew Hall and ICOMOS Intern. VP Ashley Lillie, Hanneljie du Preez, and Laura Robinson, (all together 38)

Cooperation with mAAN (modern Asian Architecture Network)

conference on “Industrial Heritage in Asia”, 25-27 August.2011 in Seoul, South Korea.

SBH was invited to participate and highlight the “shared” aspect on Industrial Heritage in Asia together with TICCIH and ICOMOS South Korea.



ICOMOS participants: Dr. Siegfried Enders(G), Sheridan Burke (as) and Prof. Hae Un Rii (K)



Dr. Siegfried Enders, Keynote on Shared Heritage in Asia Industrial

Conclusions of the meeting on the “Industrial Heritage in Asia”

mAAN Seoul Declaration 2011 on “Industrial Heritage in Asia”

1. Recognizing, understanding, interpreting and harnessing ‘Industry’ as ‘heritage’ is a challenge in Asia.
2. Our industrial past is a complex phenomenon:
 - i) Industry in Asia, unlike many parts of the post industrialised West, is still alive and very much a part of our physical and cultural landscape today. It is under continuous and sometimes rapid change. This time & distance required to view this as ‘heritage’ is one reason for this.
 - ii) Industrial past is not static & tangible. It is a process connecting sites of production and its transfer & consumption through a complex network.
 - iii) Where the industrial past has been lost or ceased to remain in action, its memory contributes to the sense of identity at various levels (personal, local, regional, national, etc).
 - iv) One aspect of this complexity comes from the painful association with industry that many Asian sites carry. The discontents of an exploitative industrial past can alienate us and highlight our differences. At the same time a cultural landscape that industry has created through continuity and exchange presents us an opportunity to seek each other’s investment in our past, making it shared and mutual. The sharing may not always be equal, the gratification not always mutual but the difference provides texture & colour to this landscape. It is in the context of this ‘unequalness’ that we must place our exploration, interpretation and (re)appropriation.
 - v) Industry is inherently ‘local’ as it is specific to a site, a community and/or exists in the memory of a certain group of people geographically localized to a certain place. However the connections that it establishes through shared technology, investment, and consumption represent its ‘global’ nature. This simultaneous duality and dynamism is a nature of our industrial past.
 - vi) In Asia we need to see place industrial heritage in the context of the evolving industrial process taking place in period where we have experienced the far reaching effects of post war, post-colonial transitions, unprecedented economic development urbanization condensed into a period a few decades.
3. We seek to expand our understanding of industrial heritage in Asia to include traditional industries that remain living and vital to our culture and not restrict it solely to heritage associated with development paradigms rooted in the industrial revolution in the west. Developing the tacit knowledge of practices, crafts skills and cultural systems necessary for continuance of many production processes is important for this understanding.
4. Industry represents the critical & fragile connection between nature & us. The relationship between industry and ecology is crucial to the discussion on sustainability. Emerging challenges of ‘climate change’ and lessons from our collective industrial past holds valuable lessons towards our present concern for achieving development with sustainability. This presents the opportunity to expand the traditional boundaries of the subject of heritage studies, by placing it as a discipline that can actively contribute to current urban issues.
5. The understanding of the culture of industry and industry as culture needs to be reflected upon. We need to devote time & space to this discussion. We must, during this engagement, cooperate and collaborate with different disciplines, diverse scholarships and wider community to enrich this complex exploration. Seoul, 26 August 2011

This declaration is announced in the mAAN Seoul 2011 International Conference on “Our Living Heritage: Industrial Buildings and Sites of Asia” organized by mAAN International and mAAN Korea, in cooperation with the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism of Korea, Seoul Museum of History, ICOMOS Korea, ICOMOS Shared Built Heritage Committee, and TICCIH (International Committee for the Conservation of the Industrial Heritage), in Seoul, 25-27 August, 2011.

Bureau meetings

Bureau Meeting held in Darmstadt on 5th-6th of June, 2010

Participants: Dr. Siegfried Enders (G) President, Anand Sing Biwa (Ind) VP, Susan Jackson-Stepowski (Aus) VP, Prof. Romana Cielatkowska (Officer for Europe), Dr. Claus-Peter Echter (ISC- connections)

Issues: Actions 1010, Suriname Conference, Annual Meeting of SBH, Activities in the Regions, (Asia Pacific, Europe, Africa, North/Middle America, South America); ISC Scientific Council Meeting in Dublin

Actions 2011: Annual intern. Conference in South Africa; Annual Meeting of SBH; - Activities in the Regions; General Assembly Paris, Membership (Report); Call for new members; Newsletter, www.site

enjoying a social gathering after the SBH Bureau meeting (A.S.), meeting in progress at the house of Dr. Enders (En)



Bureau Meeting in Paramaribo on 18th October, 2010

Participants: Dr. Siegfried Enders (President)(DE), Benedict Goes (Secretary-General)(NL), Dr. Claus-Peter Echter (DE), Prof. Dr. Michel Doortmont (NL)

Issues: Co-operation with ICOMOS ISC's, Upcoming events: Africa Conference 2011, Asia: Melaka Meeting, mAAN co-operation on Industrial Heritage in Asia, Seoul Aug. 2011, India, Cochi 2012,

ISC Shared Built Heritage meeting held at The Irish Heritage Trust, 1 Parnell Square, Dublin, Ireland, on 26th October, 2010



SBH participants: Dr. Siegfried Enders (G), Benedict Goes (NL), Susan Jackson-Stepowski (Aus)

ICOMOS Ireland: Grainne Shaffrey, Victoria Browne, Camilla McAleese, board member of the Irish Heritage Trust, and Prof. Vincent Comerford

Issues: presentations on "Shared Built Heritage of Ireland" and "Irish Shared Built Heritage in Australia", introducing SBH activities to the Irish colleagues

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Bureau Meeting in Cape Town on 3rd July, 2011

Participants: Siegfried Enders (President)(DE), Susan Jackson-Stepowski,VP (Aus), Claus-Peter Echter (DE) (officer for ISC's)

Issues: Conference on Shared Built Heritage in Africa, mAAN co-operation on the conference on shared industrial heritage in Asia, Aug. 2011, the situation of SBH committee, preparing the annual meeting in Paris, Nov/Dec 2011, etc.

Other meetings

Meetings in Asia and Europe by the President were held in Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand, Lithuania, Japan and China

Issues discussed included: calling for members, introducing SBH, mutual cooperation

ICOMOS Indonesia



Meeting with ICOMOS Indonesia members in Bali, 21.01.2010,

Singapore



Meeting with Prof. Johannes Widodo Kuowei Chiu, Ph.D. Candidate, Singapore 08.01.2010,

ICOMOS Thailand



Mr. Borvornvate Rungrujee, VP ICOMOS Thailand, Mr. Vasu Poshyanandana, Secretary Ms. Peeraya Boonprasong, 21.01.2010, Bangkok

ICOMOS Lithuania



ICOMOS Lithuania, Dale Puodzivkiene, Gediminas Rutkauskas, 10.05.2010



Mrs. Audronė Kasperaviciene Vilnius, 11.05.2010

ICOMOS Japan



ICOMOS Japan Mr. Kazayuki Yano, SecGen, Mrs. Namiko Yamaguchi, Dr. Naoko Fukami, Dr. Yasuyoshi Okada, ExCom Tokyo, 08.11.2010



China, Shanghai 15-17 November, 2010

Visit and lecture at UNESCO WHTRAP (World Heritage Institute of Training and Research for Asia and the Pacific Region) under the auspices of UNSECO) lecture on SHB
ICOMOS participants: Dr. Xin Li, Dr. Yuan Ding, Prof Dr. Mei Qing

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Meeting of a German section of SBH committee,

Munich, on 18th February 2011

Participants: Dr. Dirk Bühler, Dr. Claus-Peter Echter, Dr. Siegfried Enders, Dr. Michael Petzet

Issues: discussion on shared built heritage, which is influenced by German people

Heidelberg, 29th September and 1st October 2011

Jahrestagung des Arbeitskreises Theorie und Lehre der Denkmalpflege

(Annual meeting of the working group on "Theory and Science of Conservation")

SBH Participants: Dr. Claus-Peter Echter, Dr. Siegfried Enders, Dr. Oliver Karnau,

ICOMOS Participants: VP Hofrat Univ.-Prof. Dr.phil. Wilfried Lipp, Volkmar Eidloth, Ilse Friedrich,

Symposium: Kulturerbe – Denkmalpflege: transkulturell (Heritage – Conservation – "transcultural")

Mark your diaries for 2012

2012 will be a busy year with opportunities for meetings, site visits and joint partnership opportunities. These include:-

- *Shared Built Heritage Meeting in Asia:*
"Revisting Malaka and Penang, Malaysia after World Heritage List inscription"
a joint venture with the State and City of Melaka, Penang and George Town, the University of Singapore, May/June 2012
- *"The industrial and urban heritage of a chemical disaster, Bophal, India"*
a joint venture workshop at the mANN Conference 2012, to be held in November/December 2011, and Partnered with School of Planning & Architecture Bhopal, ICOMOS 20th CHC, ICOMOS SBH, TICCIH
Theme: Environment & Architecture, modern heritage 19th-20th century, how to manage diversity in the city, everyday urbanism & public life.
- *"Shared heritage in fortifications" in December 2012*
A joint ISC meeting and symposia to be held in Cuba, in partnership with ICoFort and ICOMOS Cuba

Please inform us about your attendance at our annual meeting in Paris on the afternoon of 2nd December 2011 as soon as possible, not later than 31st October, 2011.

Looking very much forward to meet you all in Paris soon.

Warmest regards

Yours,



Dr. Siegfried RCT Enders

President, ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Shared Built Heritage