WG1 - Shared Built Heritage Concept

We interrogate the notion of Shared Built Heritage in a collective construction of the current situation, as imagined and experienced by the members of our ISC. Then, we will push it towards an interaction with theoretical notions and with formal documents dealing with heritage in order to propose a rich, shared and contemporary interpretation of SBH.

Before the Covid19 pandemic, the ISCSBH used to combine a study trip with the annual General Assembly of ICOMOS International. Travel restrictions made us try the webinar as a study and exchange activity within the ISCSBH committee, keeping exchanges on a global scale despite the restrictions.

Webinar on September 3rd

In this 2022, we conducted a webinar presenting the ICSSBH theme in Thailand, the country that hosted the ICOMOS GA. On September 3, we broadcast a webinar entitled: **SHARED BUILT HERITAGE IN MODERN SIAM**.

The webinar presented five speeches, followed by a round table on the topic. Most of the digitally transmitted speeches were recorded and made available on the Youtube channel https://www.youtube.com/@iscsbhicomos

Webinar on September the 3rd - SHARED BUILT HERITAGE IN MODERN SIAM Introduction - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=68 rU4XWIO8

Genesis and reasons for a European presence in Thailand by Luc Citrinot : https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yVrhu47101s

Portugal and Thailand: 500 years of shared history and built heritage as a present memory by Maria José de Freitas: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lop7JATYWtE German Architects, Planners and Engineers in Modern Thailand by Siegfried Enders: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iiNHpdV7X3c

Italian Architectures in Bangkok in the 19th and 20th centuries by Romeo Carabelli : https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WbL-cw8b190

Past present Future: An insight into the European Presence in Thailand By Peeraya Boonprasong

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CiSavcSmdzA

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After a brief introduction by Romeo Carabelli, Luc Citrinot presented the general state of cultural exchange between Siam and Europe in the late 19th and early 20th century. The speech, entitled "Genesis and reasons for a European presence in Thailand", gave an insight into the general situation of the country, which experienced a special political condition: it managed to remain independent while all the states around it were colonised by European powers (with the French Indochina in the north-east - present-day Laos and Cambodia - and the British Empire in the north-west and south - present-day Myanmar/Burma and Malaysia). Thanks to this condition, we can today have an architectonic heritage of voluntary modernisation, though certainly driven by the international situation.

The second talk – entitled: "Portugal and Thailand: 500 years of shared history and built heritage as a present memory", presented by Maria José Freitas, president of the ISCSBH

- allowed us to know and understand the strong connection between Asia and Europe started with the settlement of representatives of the kingdom of Portugal in the kingdom of Siam during the 16th century. The Portuguese limited presence, in terms of numbers of people, was a significant one in the long term: some small communities were born whose descendants are still present in contemporary Thailand.

Siegfried Enders - former president of ISCSBH - spoke about the Germanic presence and its role in the modernisation of Thailand. The talk, entitled **German Architects, Planners and Engineers in Modern Thailand**, did justice to this truly little-known component. The German contribution was not limited to engineering matters such as supporting the development of railways - and their stations - but it was also present in the construction of the palaces of the royal house.

More oriented towards architectural and artistic cooperation, the Italian presence was show-up by Romeo Carabelli - vice president of ISCSBH - with a speech entitled: **Italian Architectures in Bangkok in the 19th and 20th centuries**. The talk recounted the epic story of a group of architects and artists who settled for many years - some of them for their entire lives - in Thailand.

The session ended with a valuable talk by Peeraya Boonprasong - Icomos Thailand - who presented the current situation, challenging the need to valorise the past, the processes of heritage development and the financial and speculative pressure due to the strong economic dynamism of the country and especially its capital. The speech - **An insight into the European presence in Thailand** - showed the lines of development and the strong limits to the protection of the architectural heritage currently experienced by the city of Bangkok.



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Interventions and speakers

Genesis and reasons for a European presence in Thailand $\operatorname{\mathsf{Mr}}.$ Luc Citrinot

Portugal and Thailand: 500 years of shared history and built heritage as a present memory Dr. Maria José Freitas (Pr. ISCSBH)

German Architects, Planners and Engineers in Modern Thailand Dr. Siegfried Enders (former Pr. ISCSBH)

Italian Architectures in Bangkok in the 19th and 20th Centuries Dr. Romeo Carabelli (VP ISCSBH)

An insight into the European presence in Thailand Dr. Peeraya Boonprasong (Icomos Thailand)



Webinar on November 3rd

This Webinar on September 3 was followed by the traditional field trip (WG3) which, for the first time, integrated a hybrid workshop that was physically held on November 3rd, at the Silkapon University with a simultaneous Internet broadcast.

During the workshop, two speakers in the webinar that were present in Bangkok - Luc Citrinot and Peeraya Boonprasong - were able to develop their previous speeches in a richer and more articulate manner and to exchange the contents in a round table discussion organised at the end of their on-site presentations.

The digitally transmitted speech of Luc Citrinot was recorded and made available on the Youtube channel

The European presence in Thailand by Luc Citrinot : https://www.youtube.com/ watch?v=almvKNQYrCQ

Conservation and Adaptation: Shared Built Heritage in Thailand by Peeraya Boonprasong: https://youtu.be/a2h6tMexfAE

