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13th Annual US/ICOMOS International Symposium in partnership with The World Bank and co-sponsored by the National Park Service

AT WHAT COST? Social and Economic Pressures on the Protection of Cultural Heritage Sites

May 20-22, 2010, Washington, DC

US/ICOMOS is pleased to announce that Denis Ricard, Secretary-General of the Organization of World Heritage Cities, has accepted our invitation to make a keynote presentation at the US/ICOMOS Symposium. The US/ICOMOS website lists the preliminary program, still under development - we have confirmed the participation of most, but not all, of the invited speakers.

Please note that PREREGISTRATION IS REQUIRED for this symposium, given the security process at the World Bank complex.

Space is limited in the conference facility, so early registration is suggested. Registration rates will increase after March 31 and registration will close April 30. No single-day rates are anticipated as the event likely will fill to capacity with full registrants.

The Carlyle Suites hotel in Washington’s Dupont Circle neighborhood is offering a discounted room rate of $169 per night (plus tax) for the conference, but we do not have a block of rooms reserved so it is based on availability. The Carlyle Suites is located about 10 blocks from The World Bank and just around the corner from the International Student House, venue for the Friday evening Young Professionals reception. Mention the US/ICOMOS Conference when making your reservation to get the discounted rate.

Seeking Sponsors and Supporters

The symposium is being organized in partnership with The World Bank and is co-sponsored by the National Park Service. While we are grateful for their support, additional resources are needed to ensure the success of the conference. Therefore, US/ICOMOS is seeking additional sponsors and supporters at the following levels.

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From Sam, a US/ICOMOS member, in a recent email

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The World Bank - Cultural Heritage & Sustainable Tourism

Amidst growing demand for loans for cultural heritage programs and the inclusion of cultural components in larger urban, infrastructure and environment loans, The World Bank has established a thematic group within the Urban Anchor of The World Bank for cultural heritage and sustainable tourism. This group sponsors a series of “Learning Events” on a variety of related topics regularly at their headquarters in Washington.

Follow these links for more information:
The World Bank - Cultural Heritage & Sustainable Tourism
http://www.worldbank.org/culturalheritage

Recent Learning Events
Economic and Socio-Cultural Considerations in the Global Response to Climate Change
Diane Douglas, Director of Cultural Heritage and Climate Research, SRI Foundation, February 3, 2010

The Latin America and the Caribbean Tourism Beam
Tova Solo, Senior Urban Specialist, Latin America and the Caribbean Region, The World Bank, January 14, 2010

Aid to Artisans
David O'Connor, President, Aid to Artisans, December 10, 2009

UNESCO Lays Foundations for International Coordination Committee (ICC) for Haitian Culture
(from UNESCO Press Release 2010-18)

UNESCO laid the foundations for an International Coordination Committee (ICC) for Haitian culture at a meeting on 16 February in Paris, opened by Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO. The meeting was chaired by Marie-Laurence Jocelyn Lassègue, Haiti’s Minister of Culture and Communication, and Françoise Rivière, the Organization’s Assistant Director-General for Culture.

Addressing the Minister, Ms Bokova said, “Our goal is to define the most effective means that will allow UNESCO to help prepare and implement a comprehensive programme for the benefit of Haitian culture, by drawing on the vast capacities of your country’s cultural community, which has already mobilized its efforts, and by calling on internationally renowned experts.”

The Committee, which will be similar to those established by UNESCO for Cambodia, Afghanistan and Iraq, will be officially created once it receives final approval from UNESCO’s Executive Board at its next session (30 March - 15 April).

Having recalled that the earthquake on 12 January killed 230,000 people and displaced another half-million, the Haitian Minister stressed that her country had also “just lost 100 years of architecture.” The purpose of the meeting, she continued, was to “set up this programme to inventory, safeguard and rehabilitate all the assets and remains linked to Haitian heritage.”

The 150 participants included representatives from UNESCO Member States and organizations including Interpol, Blue Shield, the World Customs Organization, the International Council of Museums (ICOM), International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS), International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM), International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA), and museums including the Quai Branly (France) and the Smithsonian Institution (United States).
Construction of the World Heritage Information Centre in Regensburg
(from the Organization of World Heritage Cities)

With the goal of providing a contact point to residents, tourists and experts, the World Heritage City of Regensburg, Germany is currently constructing a new World Heritage Information Centre. One of Regensburg’s most significant buildings, the ‘Salzstadl’ (Historic Salt Storehouse), will provide the location and therefore be reconstructed and adapted to the Centre’s requirements.

The main attraction will be a permanent exhibition; however to provide visitors a wide variety of information about World Heritage, the Centre will additionally offer areas for visitor groups and special presentations as well as an information point. This package will allow all guests to get informed about any topic relevant to World Heritage.

Regensburg’s mayor Hans Schaidinger appreciates the fact that with the new Information Centre the World Heritage City will thus act as model to other World Heritage sites. Matthias Ripp, the World Heritage Coordinator commends Regensburg’s network with contacts on national and European levels. Thanks to subsidies from national and international sponsors Regensburg will be able to implement its excellent project with total costs of €1.9 million. The European Union is providing €300,000 from the European regional development fund. In addition one million Euros is being provided by the Federal Ministry for Traffic and Urban Development. The construction work will be concluded by the World Heritage Day on 5 June 2011.

2010 IFLA Student Design Competition

This competition is sponsored, directed and organized by the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) and the Chinese Society of Landscape Architecture (CHSLA) for the 47th IFLA World Congress in Suzhou, China, 28-30 May 2010. The objective of the competition is to recognize superior environmental design achievements made by students in Landscape Architecture programs. The 47th IFLA World Congress in Suzhou, China aims to encourage achievement of the highest standards in landscape architecture education worldwide. The competition invites submissions from students in Landscape Architecture programs or other allied disciplines (where a country or university does not include a formal Landscape Architecture program). Please visit the congress website http://www.ifla2010.cn to view the call for submissions, for details about the congress, and for registration information.

Competition Topic
The Congress theme is “Harmony and Prosperity—Traditional Inheritance and Sustainable Development.” Entries must specifically address the preservation, restoration or rehabilitation of urban historic sites in the countries in which students live and/or study, and demonstrate a creative approach and thinking in their projects, so that the value and spirit of the place are cherished and preserved, while satisfying the needs of modern society, such as accessibility, sustainability, etc.

For more information:

2010 US/ICOMOS Ann Webster Smith Award for International Heritage Achievement
Call for Nominations

THE PROGRAM
The Ann Webster Smith Award honors an American individual, group of persons or institution, in the public or private sector, for extraordinary and sustained achievement in perpetuating Ann Webster Smith’s quest to make the United States a respected partner and trustworthy pillar to support the conservation of the cultural heritage in all parts of the world.

Click for full announcement- Call for Nominations

2010 World Monuments Fund/Knoll Modernism Prize
Call for Nominations

World Monuments Fund is seeking your assistance in identifying a recipient for its 2010 World
Monuments Fund/Knoll Modernism Prize. Awarded in summer 2010, the prize is given to a design professional or firm in recognition of an innovative design solution that preserves or enhances a Modern landmark. The deadline for nominations is March 31, 2010. Please write to the modernism@wmf.org for the “Call for Nominations” flyer describing the steps and requirements for submissions or with any other questions you may have.

Symposia and Other Opportunities

Position Available, Hili National Archaeological Park
Al-Ain, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

Park Manager/Superintendent – Mentor/Trainer

Hili National Archaeological Park preserves a unique and fortuitous combination of settlement, defensive, and funerary architecture, demonstrating agricultural, craft and trade activities across circa three millennia and during two distinct occupation phases. Hili is closely associated with Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan al Nahyan who alerted archaeologists to its existence in the 1950s; thus, Hili was the location of some of the earliest archaeological work ever undertaken in the UAE. Hili National Archaeological Park was a pioneer in publicly accessible open-air archaeological sites in the United Arab Emirates.

Future Hili

The current project, an evolution of Hili National Archaeological Park for the present and future, preserves internationally significant Bronze and Iron Age and Islamic Period resources for the enjoyment and education of current and future generations. Hili will include state-of-the-art visitor and park management facilities; education facilities to inspire the nation’s youth, developing and world renowned archaeologists.

2-3 Year Position Available

The Abu Dhabi Authority for Culture and Heritage (ADACH) is developing an internationally significant archaeological park scheduled to re-open in 2012. We are seeking a highly qualified, professional national or cultural park manager to serve as a onsite mentor to aid in guiding and developing a promising leader, who will manage the park and protect its resources into the future. Salary and benefits will be determined by Human Resources of ADACH.

For more information or to submit your resume, contact: Richard (Dick) Martin, (530)547-4961 or (559)240-1036, 21750 Robledo Road, Palo Cedro, CA 96073. Email: qsmamo@frontiernet.net

11th International Docomomo Conference

“Living in the Urban Modernity”

The next and Eleventh Conference will take place in Mexico City, on August 19–27, 2010 and will be dedicated to “Living in the Urban Modernity.” It will be held at the Faculty of Architecture of the National Autonomous University (UNAM), declared World Heritage by Unesco in 2007. The Third International Docomomo Student Workshop will take place at the Xochimilco Campus of the Metropolitan Autonomous University (UAM). Original papers were invited for submission before September 15, 2009 under the following sub-themes:

(1) Modern Living;
(2) Civic and Social Infrastructures;
(3) The Modern City;
(4) Technology for a Modern Habitat;
(5) The University City.

For more information, visit http://www.docomomo.com/conferences.htm

Call for Papers–IFLA Regional Conference, Chile


“Landscape Architecture and Geography. Chile, a territory of confines: from ice to desert, from mountains to sea”. Santiago (Chile). September 2-4, 2010.

The regional conference for the Americas is organized by the Chilean Institute of Landscape Architects, member of IFLA, as one of IFLA's regular activities. All professionals, researchers, and postgraduate students involved in the production, thinking, and design of landscapes (landscape architects, architects, urban designers, geographers, historians, and public officers, among others) are invited to participate in the conference with paper proposals that address the conference theme. The conference theme seeks to provide a window not only for a broad investigation of landscape design aspects, but also for sharing professional and
academic knowledge and expertise in the ways of inhabiting it.

Abstracts should not exceed 500 words (including footnotes) and authors must indicate one or more conference sub-themes addressed by their paper. A short biographical statement of no more than 200 words needs to be submitted with the abstracts. Please include basic contact information (e-mail, telephone, fax). All abstracts will be refereed by the same advisory committee. Accepted abstracts will be published on the conference website. Proposals can be submitted in Spanish or English.

Abstracts should be submitted to ponencias2010@ichap.cl. For further questions regarding registration contact the conference management office by mail at conferencia2010@ichap.cl. Deadline for Submission of Abstracts - March 10, 2010.

The Inaugural National Cultural Heritage Law Moot Court Competition
March 5-6, 2010 in Chicago, Illinois
Sponsored by the Lawyers’ Committee for Cultural Heritage Preservation and DePaul University College of Law. To register and for additional information, please visit http://law.depaul.edu/chmoot or email chmoot@depaul.edu.

Vernacular Architecture Forum
May 19-23, 2010 in Washington, DC
This will be the VAF’s 30th annual meeting. The deadline for the call for papers has passed— but you may visit their website at http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org for details.

2nd International Conference on Heritage and Sustainable Development
Heritage 2010 - Évora, Portugal - 22-26 June 2010
The Green Lines Institute and the Organising Committee established as a main criterion that Heritage and Sustainable Development conferences should take place in UNESCO World Heritage Sites. After Heritage 2008, that was held at the Douro Valley and the Archaeologic Park of Foz Coa the choice turned this year to the city of Évora, in Alentejo (Southern Portugal).
Évora is located 130 km from Lisbon (circa 90 minutes by car) and 100 Km (75 minutes by car) from the Spanish border.

Évora can also be reached by train from main cities in Portugal and Spain. Despite its ancinet roots and amazing Historical Centre, Évora is a modern city equipped with modern facilities in cultural and touristic terms.


Preserving the Historic Road Conference
September 9-12, 2010 in Washington, DC
The conference will consist of four days of education sessions, special events and field workshops to provide you with the latest best practices, theories and methods for the identification, preservation and management of historic roads. The Call for Papers has been distributed; abstracts are due January 31, 2010—visit http://www.historicroads.org for details.

Fulbright New Zealand
invites applications for the 2011 Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy Ian Axford (New Zealand) Fellowships in Public Policy give outstanding American mid-career professionals the opportunity to research, travel and gain practical experience in public policy in New Zealand for seven months. Please forward this e-mail and/or flyer to anyone you know who would make a good Axford Fellow and benefit from this opportunity. For further information and an application form, see Fulbright New Zealand’s website at http://www.fulbright.org.nz/awards/am-ian-axford.html

Heritage and Culture UK-Based Study Programme
Challenge and innovation in public policy and practice
Public Administration International, June 28 - July 2, 2010
The programme is designed mainly for senior policy-makers and experts working in government ministries and agencies and in non-governmental organisations concerned with the funding and promotion of heritage conservation and culture. Applications will also be welcome from those in the voluntary and private sector who wish to gain insights into the role of heritage and culture in economic development and to engage in dialogue with officials with responsibilities in this field. Visit http://www.public-admin.co.uk for more information.

12th World Conference of Historical Cities in 2010
The UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Committee on Housing and Land Management (CHLM) and its Working Party on Land Administration (WPLA) are pleased to announce the call for presentations for the upcoming events:

International Forum on "Natural Disasters and Building and Construction Safety" to be held in Baku, Azerbaijan on 17-18 March 2010. To obtain more information, please click on the following link: http://www.unece.org/hlm/prgm/hmm/construction%20safety/call.4.presentations.baku.pdf

Workshop on “Greening Real Estate Markets” to be held in Dessau, Germany on 26 and 27 April 2010. To obtain more information, please click on the following link: http://www.unece.org/hlm/wpla/workshops/call.4.presentations.dessau.pdf
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