Information Meeting
for the Regional Capacity Building Strategy and Associated Programmes
in Asia and the Pacific Region

Objectives

- Introducing the 'Regional Capacity Building Strategy and Associated Programs’
- Sharing with concerned regional state parties and professional organizations of the proposed work plan
- Introducing complementary questionnaires
- Building up regional networks for future coordination
Contents

1. Brief introduction of WHITRAP
2. Briefing the progress of ‘Capacity Building Strategy and Associated Programs for Asia-Pacific Region’(CBSAP)
3. Introduction of the Complementary Questionnaire
4. Request of cooperation

1. WHITRAP

What is WHITRAP?

World Heritage Institute of Training and Research for the Asia and the Pacific Region, under the auspices of UNESCO

Category II Center

more information:
http://www.whitr-ap.org
http://whc.unesco.org/en/category2centres
1. WHITRAP

WHITRAP is a non-profit organization specialized in research, training and education programs related to world heritage conservation.

**Governing Board**

**Advisory Committee**

**Secretariat (Shanghai)**

**Shanghai Centre (Tongji University)**

**Beijing Centre (Peking University)**

**Suzhou Centre (Suzhou Municipality)**

1. WHITRAP

WHITRAP is jointly created by three centres, under the protection of relevant laws of China, namely (WHITRAP-12/3.GB/INF.1.1):

- **Shanghai Center, Secretariat**, hosted by Tongji University in Shanghai
- **Beijing Center**, hosted by Peking University in Beijing, and
- **Suzhou Center**, hosted by Suzhou Municipality
1. WHITRAP

Capacity Building Activities in Partnership

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<td>- Management Planning for Cultural Heritage</td>
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<td>- Heritage Impact Assessments</td>
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<td>- Advanced Course on Conservation and Restoration Techniques of Traditional Architecture for the Asia-Pacific Region</td>
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<td>- Human Resources Development for the Transmission of Traditional Skills – National Approaches and their Application to Stone and Brick</td>
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<td>- Advanced workshop on Preservation of Historic Cities and Towns</td>
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<td>- Restoration and Conservation of Historical Buildings</td>
<td>French Ministry of Culture, Cité de l’Architecture et du Patrimoine, Ecole de Chaillot</td>
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<td>- Guizhou Cultural and Natural Heritage Protection and Development</td>
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<td>- UNESCO Creative Cities Network</td>
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WHITRAP has organized 6 international and 4 national training programs, trained in total 182 participants from over 21 countries in the region. In addition, various thematic workshops and seminars have been organized regularly to the public.

Participants of International Training Programs

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Participants of International Training Programs
1. WHITRAP

Priorities of Work Plan (2012-2013)

1. Developing regional capacity building strategy and associated programmes
2. Strengthening communication and cooperation with regional and international organizations/institute, particularly in relation to “Sustainable Tourism and World Heritage site”, “Creative Cities and Creative Industry”, and “Conservation and Transmission of Traditional Knowledge”
3. Improving training and research capacity, in the field of Heritage Impact Assessments, Preventive Conservation, Historical Urban Landscape, Community Involvement and benefit sharing in Heritage Conservation, Heritage Inventory and Tentative List
4. Enhancing information service and outreach programs
2. Capacity Building Strategy and Associated Programs in Asia-Pacific Region

Background

under request of
- Global Training Strategy for Cultural and Natural Heritage (2001, WHC-01/CONF.208/11)

UNESCO Category 2 Centres in the region are encouraged to take the lead in developing the strategy, in consultation with ICCROM, IUCN, ICOMOS, the World Heritage Centre, University Programmes, UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs, and other related regional/national institutes

Submission: World Heritage Committee Meeting in 2013

taking into considerations of changes identified in the and second cycle of Periodic Report

What is Capacity Building?

Common approaches:
- Providing access to repositories of information and resources (such as databases, libraries and web sites)
- Publications
- Trainings (public, customized or on-line)
- Consultation (such as coaching, facilitating, expert advice and conducting research)
- Coordinating alliance

Potential audience:
practitioners, institutions, and communities and networks
2. Capacity Building Strategy and Associated Programs in Asia-Pacific Region

The challenges in Asia-Pacific region

Priorities at national level
• conservation
• education
• risk preparedness
• visitor management
• community outreach

Priorities at site level
• Management plans/systems and time-bound action plans,
• Risk reduction and preparedness
• community involvement and benefit sharing,
• protective measures, particularly buffer zones delimitation
• Regional cooperation

The aims of this initiative are

1. to ensure the identified issues from both the first and second cycle of Periodic Report are well addressed with proper interventions

2. to strengthen capacities at the regional level in response to the specific needs and situation in the region and each of the sub-region.

3. to synthesise needs and required actions into a regional Action Plan

4. to enhance capacity building networks of professionals
2. Capacity Building Strategy and Associated Programs in Asia-Pacific Region

Method

1. Analysis of the Periodic Report and State of Conservation Reports (SoC), which reveals the needs for Capacity Building at regional/sub-regional level.

2. Collecting information on the existing providers of capacity building in the region (university training programmes, non-UNESCO related training institutions, NGOs, UNESCO chairs, etc.) through complementary questionnaire.

3. Identifying concrete programs with specific activities, timelines, responsibilities, and necessary resources, in response to identified issues at regional/sub-regional level.

4. The development and compilation of the strategy and programs shall in line with Result-Based Management.

Progress has been achieved

- Consultation meeting with UNESCO Asia and Pacific Unit, Nordic World Heritage Foundation in UNESCO Paris, 11 April 2012.
- Consultation with ICCROM, 13 April 2012.
- Questionnaire Design in consultation with ICCROM, referring to the questionnaire created by World Heritage Center, Europe and North America Unit for Training and Capacity Building.

Information Meeting at St. Petersburg to consult with relevant State Parties and present institutes/organization in the region, and to preliminary distribute the questionnaire.
2. Capacity Building Strategy and Associated Programs in Asia-Pacific Region

Proposed Work Plan

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<td>- to discuss the program framework</td>
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<td>Nov – Dec 2012</td>
<td>- to draft the report of &quot;Capacity Building Strategy and Action Plan for Asia-Pacific&quot;</td>
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<td>- submission of final report to UNESCO WHC</td>
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3. Questionnaire

Why we need another questionnaire?

- to specify the training audience and capacity building priorities in the regional/sub-regional level
- to identify potential providers of capacity building for synthesis and effective action plan
- to face the challenges and work towards optimal solutions together
3. Questionnaire

What is in the questionnaire?

- 1. General Information
- 2. Profiles and Existing Capacities
- 3. Priorities in Capacity Building
- 4. Cooperation in Capacity Building
- 5. Funding
- 6. Concluding overall comments

3. Questionnaire

Who should fill in the questionnaire?

Person who is experienced in the conservation and management of World Heritage sites in your country: at national and local level

Person who is actively involved in Capacity Building related to heritage conservation, such as lecturers in relevant universities, professionals in research/training institutes, consultants and managers from both public and private sectors, foundations, tourism development...
3. Questionnaire

The **Deadline** for submission?

15th September 2012

4. Request of Cooperation

What are the benefits?
- more opportunities
- more access
- more visibility
- ...

What are the responsibilities?
- commitment
- sharing
- participation
- ...
Thank you very much

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