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For the attention of the ICOMOS National Committee
and International Scientific Committee Presidents

Subject:
Call for Candidatures
Election of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Advisory Committee 2009 - 2012
Malta, Valletta, 9 October 2009

Dear Colleagues

The elections for the post of Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Advisory Committee¹ for the term 2009 - 2012 will take place in Valletta on 9 October 2009 during the meeting of the Advisory Committee in Malta. The National and International Scientific Committees may wish to nominate a candidate from amongst the National and International Scientific Committee Presidents.

1. Deadlines for submission of candidatures

- Candidatures remain open until the **final deadline** for submitting candidatures which is **18:00 hours local time on the day before the opening of the plenary session of the Advisory Committee meeting**, that is to say **8 October 2009**. The final list of candidates will be circulated by the ICOMOS Secretariat at the beginning of the plenary session of the Advisory Committee meeting on 9 October 2009.
- **To allow the Committees sufficient time to take into consideration the election platforms**, all candidatures received by the International Secretariat **before 15 August 2009** will be circulated to all National and International Committee Presidents through the listserv and posted on the ICOMOS web site in the week of 17 August 2009. **Candidatures received after 15 August 2009 will be included in the final list of candidates** distributed at the beginning of the plenary session of the Advisory Committee meeting on 9 October 2009.

2. Eligibility

Candidates must be current members of the Advisory Committee, that is to say a President of a National or International Committee and, with the exception of the Chairman of the Advisory Committee currently in office, may not at the time of nomination be a member of the ICOMOS Executive Committee.

When considering nominating a candidate, please take into consideration the following:

- The Chairman of the Advisory Committee is a member of the Executive Committee.
- With the exception of the country of the ICOMOS President (in the present case, the United States of America), no country may be represented on the Executive Committee by more than one person.

¹ Article 12 a. & 10 a. (ICOMOS Statutes)

- Consequently, no candidates may be nominated from the following countries, that currently have a representative on the Executive Committee:

Argentina	Finland	Republic of Korea
Australia	France	Mexico
Austria	Germany	Mauritius
Belgium	Greece	Morocco
Bulgaria	Iran	Poland
China	Israel	South Africa
Cuba	Japan	Zimbabwe
Fiji	Kazakhstan	

3. Format for the candidatures

Candidatures should be forwarded in electronic format to the International Secretariat at secretariat@icomos.org.

All candidature material should be sent in English and/or French, the ICOMOS working languages. Candidates are responsible for providing their own translations. Additional linguistic versions are welcome.

On the basis of the guidelines established by the Executive Committee (March 2000) and the "Rules of the Advisory Committee" (last amended by the Advisory Committee meeting in Dubrovnik, October 2001), **any proposal for a candidature should include:**

- A written nomination letter, signed by the Secretary General of the National or International Scientific Committee which the candidate presides.
- The candidate's short biography (not exceeding 10 lines) and an abbreviated CV.
- The candidate's electoral platform statement (not exceeding 250 words).
- A statement by the candidate confirming his/her willingness to serve if elected. Candidates should also indicate whether they wish to stand for the post of Vice Chairman if they are not elected to the post of Chairman of the Advisory Committee. Candidates are reminded that members of the ICOMOS Executive and Advisory Committees must finance their own participation at meetings including travel and living costs and that ICOMOS cannot provide financial support.

4. Election procedure:

In conformity with article 8 of the Rules of Procedure of the Advisory Committee, the elections will be conducted by secret paper ballot. The following conditions will apply:

- One committee, one vote.
- Any National or International Committee President may give his/her written proxy to a member of his/her committee.
- No person may hold more than one proxy.
- To be elected, any candidate must receive a majority of the votes cast (50% plus one vote). Should no candidate receive the majority of votes cast in the first round, a second or more rounds of votes will be held, eliminating each time the candidate who received the smallest number of votes cast.
- The election of the Chairman shall take place first, whereafter any unsuccessful candidates who so wish may have their names added to the list of candidates for election as Vice Chairman.
- It is proposed that the Advisory Committee designates three tellers, representing committees other than those of the candidates, to supervise the election.

If you have questions, please forward them to the International Secretariat at your earliest convenience.

For your information I attach a copy of the "Rules of the Advisory Committee", as amended by the Advisory Committee in Dubrovnik in 2001.

Yours sincerely

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