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I C O M O S - I V t h - G E N E R A L - A S S E M B L Y

Rothenburg ob der Tauber (F.R.G)
25th - 30th May 1975

All registration forms for the General Assembly should have been received with the relevant fees by the ICOMOS National Committee in the Federal Republic of Germany some time ago.

All members have not yet sent in their registration forms or confirmed their provisional registration are requested to do so immediatly. Please do not fail to settle registration fees and those for the Excursions after the Assembly.

Programme of General Assembly

Sunday 25th May	Arrival and registration of participants (from 3.00 p.m)
	7.00 p.m Reception given by Chairman of ICOMOS National Committee in Federal Republic of Germany
Monday 26th May	9.00 am Registration of participants (till mid-day)
	10.00 am Opening of General Assembly
	pm General Assembly (continued)
	8.30 pm Reception given by Mayor of Rothenburg
Tuesday 27th May	am General Assembly (continued)
	3.00 pm Visit of Rothenburg
Wednesday 28th May	Excursion to Nördlingen and Ellwangen
Thursday 29th and Friday 30th May	Symposium on Conservation of Smaller Historic towns (see below)

Agenda

Introduction to the Symposium by Rapporteur Général (Mr. G. Albers-F.R.G)

Theme I : Special grounds for preservation of smaller historic towns
(Mr. A. Chastel - France)

Theme II : Practical conservation of smaller historic towns

- a) Problems of rehabilitation and adaptation to modern life, in keeping with existing urban, architectural, historical and aesthetic values
 - living conditions and social balance- motor traffic- commercial life- cultural life- extension of small historic towns
(Mr. D. Wildeman- F.R.G)
- b) Economic development as a means for securing a high standard of living while maintaining the scale and structure of small historic towns and their dialogue with the countryside
 - Small historic towns in the context of regional planning- selection of economic activities- Problems of balancing preservation of the small historic town with its economic development
- c) Sense of community in small historic towns
(Mr. W. Schlombs -F.R.G.)
- d) Development of tourism in small historic towns
(Sir Alexander Glen - U.K.)
- e) Legal, administrative and financial problems
 - questions of ownership- methods of financing- legal regulations
(Mr. A. Van Den Abeele - Belgium)

Theme III : Examples and case studies

reports on Western Europe (Mr. P. Prunet-France) ; Eastern Europe (Mr. K. Pawlowski -Poland); North America (Mr. J. Dalibard - Canada); South America (Mr. J. Gazaneo-Argentina); Mediterranean Area (Mr. C. Erder- Turkey); Far East (Mr. N. Ito-Japan); Africa South of the Sahara (Mr. A.D.C. Hyland-Ghana); Middle East (Mr. B. Shirazi-Iran); Scandinavian Wooden Towns (Mr. V. Helander- Finland)

Theme IV : Reports by National Committees

Discussion - Proposal and Adoption of Resolutions.

Excursions after the Symposium

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| I | Saturday 31 May | Land of the Hohenlohe (1 day) |
| II | Saturday 31 May-Monday 2 June | Valley of the Main and Franconia (3days) |
| III | Saturday 31 May-Tuesday 3 June | Unterfranken - Altmühltal - Regensburg (4 days) |

European Architectural Heritage Year (see also News Letter IV)

The parliamentary assembly of the Council of Europe has adopted a resolution calling for the Council's activities in the field of "integrated conservation" to be continued after the end of 1975 : in particular, a ministerial conference is to be convened in 1976 to discuss plans for the future. (The text of this resolution-n° 750 of 24th January 1975- is available on request from the secretariat of the Council at Strasbourg)

News of National Committees
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Belgium

The Belgian Committee is sharing, with the International Committee on Historic Towns and the International Council of Societies for Industrial Design (ICSID) in the organization of a Seminar on the problems of public Transport in historic towns, which is to be held in Bruges in July 1975.

Canada

The Canadian Committee has adopted new statutes which associate it closely with APT - the Association for Preservation Technology - in Canada. From now on, members of APT can take up membership of ICOMOS/CANADA and vice-versa, with a minimum of formalities. The two organisations will share their headquarters and secretariat. At its first meeting, the reconstituted Committee elected new officers :

Chairman : Mr. Bill Mc KIM
 Vice-Chairman : Mr. Marcel JUNIUS
 Secretary : Mr. François LEBLANC
 100 rue Bourgeau
 Aylmer, Quebec
 Treasurer : Mrs. Ann FALKNER

Dominican Republic

Arq. Eugenio PEREZ MONTAS has been elected Chairman of the National Committee.

Turkey

The Turkish Committee has been recognized officially and its new statutes confirmed by Government decree. Prof. E. AKURCAL, of the University of Ankara, has been named as Chairman, and Mr. C. ERDER, Professor of Restoration Techniques at the Middle East Technical University, Ankara, secretary.

United Kingdom

The British Committee has given its patronage to the Annual Conference of the Council for British Archaeology, which took place in Oxford from 6th to 12th April 1975. The Theme of the Conference was "Archaeology and History of the European Town" ; it was planned as a contribution to European Architectural Heritage Year.

ICOMOS Advisory and Executive Committees

The two Committees held their annual meetings in Paris at the ICOMOS Headquarters on 29th and 30th November 1974. The Chairmen of 22 National Committees or their representatives attended, with the elected and coopted members of the Executive Committee and Chairmen of the International Specialised Committees. The Director General of UNESCO was represented by MR. Gérard BOLLA, head of the Department of

