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IN THEIR SETTING - CONSERVING CULTURAL
HERITAGE IN CHANGING TOWNSCAPES
AND LANDSCAPES”**

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Message from the President of ICOMOS

Dear Colleagues,

The 15th General Assembly and Scientific Symposium of ICOMOS will take place from 17 to 21 October 2005 in Xi'an. This old imperial city reflects both the glory of the past and the dynamic vigour of today's modern China. Our Chinese ICOMOS colleagues and the authorities of Xi'an City are working hard to ensure that our General Assembly will be an unforgettable event and look forward to welcoming you and to showing you their achievements in the preservation of their cultural heritage. The present issue of *ICOMOS News* introduces the programme of the General Assembly developed in the past months together with our Chinese hosts. The title of the scientific symposium is: *Monuments and sites in their setting – conserving cultural heritage in changing townscapes and landscapes*. All over the world questions arise on how to deal with the environment of monuments and sites. Such questions are not only of particular interest to China, where large-scale economic development continues at breathtaking speed and our colleagues are faced with unprecedented challenges in all fields of monument conservation. Under these circumstances the *Principles for the Conservation of Heritage Sites in China*, edited by Zhang Bai, President of ICOMOS China, will of course play a major role in our discussions. Besides, I hope that a host of contributions to the symposium will come from the members of our National and International Scientific Committees.

This second General Assembly in Asia – after Sri Lanka in 1993 – will enable our members to become acquainted with the outstanding cultural treasures of China in general and with the cultural heritage of the Province of Shaanxi in particular. The latter is a region where I was active for more than a decade in my former function as Curator General of the Bavarian State Conservation Office. The opportunity not just to visit these monuments and sites but to actually take part in their preservation in close co-operation with the Museum of the Terracotta Army and the Office for the Protection of Cultural Properties in Shaanxi Province has been one of the outstanding experiences of my career.

Since its accidental discovery in 1974 during the digging of a well shaft the famous Terracotta Army of the First Chinese Emperor Qin Shihuang (259-210 BC) has fascinated millions of people all over the world and, like the Great Wall, has become a synonym of the outstanding achievements of Chinese culture. Considering the fact that these sculptures were in wet soil for over 2000 years the analysis and the preservation of the polychromy of the Terracotta Army has been an extraordinary challenge to modern conservation science. Whereas at the beginning of our co-operation the structural consolidation of the partition walls between the individual rows of terracotta figures was a main problem, attention quickly shifted to the almost unsolvable problems of the polychromy. The results of the long years of Chinese-German co-operation can be found in the new ICOMOS series *Monuments and Sites (The Terracotta Army of the First Chinese Emperor Qin Shihuang)*, vol. II, 2001). The state of research on this topic was also presented in 1999 at an international conference co-organised by ICOMOS Germany and published in the same ICOMOS series (*The Polychromy of Antique Sculptures and the Terracotta Army of the First Chinese Emperor*, vol. III, 2002). Part of our projects in Shaanxi Province was the rescue operation for the grotto temple of the Great Buddha (Dafosi) in Binxian (published in the *ICOMOS Journals of the German National Committee*, vol. XVII, 1996). The grotto with the Buddha presented extreme challenges and new methods had to be applied. Despite the difficult task to be mastered, in the course of the five years of research at Dafosi it was possible to develop a conservation programme – since then successfully completed – that protects the grotto and its three main figures against collapsing and the dangers of earthquakes. The experiences gained from saving the Great Buddha of Dafosi were a crucial prerequisite for the attempts started in 2002 by an international ICOMOS team to save the remains of the Bamiyan Buddhas, which had been blown up by the Taliban.

Dear Colleagues, I hope to have the opportunity to provide you with some more information on this international co-operation when we all meet in Xi'an and the Province of Shaanxi on the occasion of the General Assembly. As President of ICOMOS it is an honour and a pleasure to heartily invite you to this General Assembly, which I am sure will be organised in an exemplary way by our host Zhang Bai and his colleagues. After all, at this 15th General Assembly the 40th anniversary of ICOMOS will not only enable us to look back at the history of our non-governmental organisation, which began with the Venice Charter, but also to look ahead to a future where we all should combine our efforts to fight for the preservation of the world's cultural heritage.

Michael PETZET
President of ICOMOS

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Message from the Mayor of Xi'an

Dear members of ICOMOS,

From 17 to 21 October 2005 the city of Xi'an will play host to the 15th General Assembly and Scientific Symposium of ICOMOS. As Mayor of Xi'an, a municipal city in the People's Republic of China, I sincerely invite all of you to come to our city and attend this important meeting, destined to be a memorable event marking an important occasion in your organisation's history.

Xi'an is an ancient and beautiful city, which has played a central role in the development of oriental civilization. The atmosphere of the city reflects its 3,000 year old history and countless ancient monuments and remains bear witness to the fact that it was the capital of 13 Chinese dynasties. The appeal of today's Xi'an lies in the harmonious synthesis which has developed between the historic and the modern.

We will be greatly honoured by your visit. The outstanding cultural heritage of the city, the graceful landscapes that surround it and the enthusiasm of our citizens will provide you with long-lasting memories.

I look forward to welcoming you in Xi'an in 2005

SUN Qing Yun
Mayor of Xi'an

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Message from the President of ICOMOS China

Distinguished ICOMOS members,

The city of Xi'an, China, has been selected as the venue for the 15th General Assembly of ICOMOS, taking place from 17 to 21 October 2005. On behalf of the Chinese National Committee of ICOMOS, I would like to extend my warm and sincere invitation to you all to attend this grand gathering of the ICOMOS family to be held for the first time in China.

The numerous well-preserved monuments and sites that can be found all over China are not only a splendid cultural heritage belonging to the Chinese people, but also an important component in the historical development of human civilizations around the world. For this reason great importance has always been attached to the protection of cultural heritage in China and learning from useful experiences made in foreign countries in the field of heritage conservation has also been highly valued.

We sincerely hope that the 15th General Assembly will provide a privileged opportunity not only to further deepen cultural exchanges and co-operation but also to achieve a better understanding and to raise world-wide awareness on the crucial importance of a balanced relationship between the protection of historic monuments and sites and the improvement in the living conditions and environment of humans, thus making our due contribution to achieving the aims of ICOMOS.

I am looking forward to meeting all the ICOMOS family members in our ancient Chinese city of Xi'an.

ZHANG Bai
President of ICOMOS China

The protection of cultural heritage in China

China boasts an illustrious and long history. Its cultural heritage is the prime testimony of the country's distinguished past and the bearer of its rich civilization. Great attention has been paid to the protection of cultural heritage and remarkable progress has been attained. To date, a comprehensive legal system with at its core the *Law of the People's Republic of China on the Protection of Cultural Heritage* accompanied by series of special laws and regulations has been established. China is also State Party to four important international conventions in the field of cultural heritage protection, which are of increasing importance to the preservation of the cultural heritage shared by all humankind. This article presents some of China's achievements in the protection of cultural heritage, in particular in archaeology and site protection, maintenance and restoration, and conservation science and technology so that our colleagues can gain a basic appreciation.

Archaeological surveys, excavations and research are well organized and much importance is attached to their scientific management. Work on the protection of archaeological sites has been strengthened and steady progress has been achieved in the field of archaeology in general. Field archaeology, particularly in remote frontier areas, underwater archaeology and the use of aerial photography projects are being implemented step by step according to established plans and are accompanied by the creation of appropriate infrastructure. These efforts have led to a series of important academic successes. Chinese archaeology has entered into a new phase.

1271 cultural heritage sites have been placed under national protection, nearly 7000 under provincial protection, and over 60 000 under city or county protection. A total of 101 cities, including Beijing, Xi'an and Luoyang, are listed by the State Council as Cities of Recognized Historical and Cultural Value. Over 6000 restoration projects have been carried out across the country resulting in fundamental achievements that have ensured that the major monuments and sites listed at the national level are protected against all kinds of threats.

The country possesses over 2200 museums which organise up to 10 000 exhibitions each year, receiving 150 million visitors. Museums play a major role in social education.

China has achieved remarkable results in the field of science and technology applied to the conservation of cultural heritage. Steady scientific and technological progress has been made in the field of conservation and some techniques have reached the highest international standards.

ICOMOS China

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Brief introduction to Xi'an

Xi'an is located in the central part of China and lies near the River Wei in the Guanzhong Plain on the middle reaches of the Yellow River. It is surrounded to the south by the Qinling mountain range, to the north by the River Wei, while the Huashan mountains stand at its east, and the highest peak of the Taibai mountains at its west. Set at 424 meters above sea level the region enjoys a mild climate with four distinctive seasons. The relief of the area consists of mountains, rivers, plains and plateaus. The city of Xi'an is composed of 9 districts and 4 outlying counties covering a total area of 9983 square kilometres with a population of about 7.2 million, of which 5.1 million live in the urban zone.

Xi'an was called Chang'an in ancient times. Universally reputed as a cultural and historical city, she is considered alongside with Cairo, Rome and Athens to be one of the "four ancient capitals" of the world.

Xi'an is one of the cradles of Chinese civilization and a birthplace of humanity. In this region was discovered the earliest pithecanthropic hominid fossil (with both human and simian characteristics) in northern Asia - Lantian man - who lived around 11 million years ago. Our 6000 year old ancestors, the matriarchal clan community of the Banpo lived on farming and hunting in this area during the Neolithic age. Beginning in the 11th century BC with the Western Zhou dynasty, a society based on slavery, up to the apogee of the imperial period under the Tang dynasty, Xi'an was for 1100 years the capital of 13 dynasties under the Zhou, the Qin, the Han, and the Tang. Eastern terminus of the old Silk Road and first metropolis in the world with a population exceeding 1 million, Xi'an became the respected symbol of oriental civilization and thus contributed greatly to the development of human civilization.

Its prominent place in history has bequeathed Xi'an with a great number of remains. There are 2944 registered sites inside the city and in its surrounding area, of which 34 are national monuments. Among these, the Tomb of Qin Shihuang which is inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List and whose terracotta warriors and horses have been called "the Eighth Wonder in the World". Xi'an has witnessed many different periods in the development of human society. Each has left its traces and together these create a kind of "museum of Chinese history". The prosperous periods, especially during the Zhou, the Qin, the Han and the Tang dynasties, have left a large number of monuments in Xi'an such as the ruins of the Zhou dynasty town of Fenhao, the remains of the Epang palaces built under the Qin, the city wall of Chang'an erected under the Han dynasty and the site of the Daming palaces dating from the Tang period, to name only but a few. Moreover, the "emperor's bathroom" - the Huaqing Hot Spring; the "stone bookstore of China" - the Forest of Stone tablets; the thousand year old Buddhist tower - the Big Wild Goose Pagoda; the first modernist national museum - the National Museum of Shaanxi History; the largest and best protected city wall - Xi'an's City Wall dating from the Ming Dynasty, and many other sites, reveal the splendid history and culture of the city. All these elements give Xi'an an atmosphere and energy which attract visitors from all over the world.

The cultural history of Xi'an is rich and varied. The city played a role in the birth of Taoism and Confucianism, but also in the spread of Buddhism. She saw the creation of masterpieces of Chinese classical literature such as "The Book of Odes", Han style folk songs and ballads, and the famous Tong poem. Her School of Painting and Drawing, the so called Chan'an School, influenced this art in China during more than 400 years and the city welcomed a great many famous Chinese discoverers in particular in the technical field. All these achievements contributed to the progress of civilization in China and throughout the world.

Today Xi'an enjoys international recognition for its culture and history and is a famous tourist attraction. Main city on the upper and middle reaches of the Yellow River and bridge of the Eurasian continent, the city is open and modern combining in a unique manner culture, education, scientific, technological, commercial, educational and tourism development. Xi'an has the third largest number of colleges and universities in China, and a well established scientific and high-tech industry, which benefits from the city's position as a well-connected transport hub for the whole country.

Its renowned culinary art with, among other, the delicious Jiaozi (dumpling) banquets and the typical Yangroupao and niuroupao (shredded pancake in mutton and beef soup); the local colourful Qin opera and the ancient Chang'an style music, are attracting increasing world-wide interest.

Xi'an, a characteristic blend of ancient and modern culture, is getting ready to welcome the ICOMOS delegations from all over the world.

We are awaiting you in October 2005.

**The Xi'an Organizing Committee for
the 15th ICOMOS General Assembly**

SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM CALL FOR PAPERS

Main theme of the Scientific Symposium “Monuments and sites in their setting - conserving cultural heritage in changing townscapes and landscapes”

In 2005, ICOMOS is marking the 40th anniversary of its foundation.

Since its inception, as an organisation created to foster and promote scientific and professional exchange related to the care and conservation of immovable cultural heritage, ICOMOS's focus has largely been on the conservation of individual heritage places, such as monuments, sites, ensembles or landscapes. Yet this focus has always been complemented by particular concern for the relationship between places and their setting, and the crucial role setting plays in the overall significance of cultural heritage.

The notion of *setting* is mentioned in the Venice Charter of 1964, the seminal text that underpinned the foundation of ICOMOS. Assessment of setting is also a key element in the process of evaluating the value and authenticity of potential cultural World Heritage sites, within the framework of the World Heritage Convention, for which ICOMOS acts as adviser to UNESCO World Heritage Committee.

Setting is also referred to in several ICOMOS Charters, Guidelines and Principles such as the *Charter on the Conservation of Historic Towns and Urban Areas* (1987), the *Charter for the Protection and Management of Underwater Archaeological Heritage* (1996), *Guidelines on Education and Training* (1993), *Principles for Recording* (1996), and the *International Charter on Cultural Tourism* (1999).

Many National Committee documents, such as the respected Burra Charter of Australian ICOMOS, include articles that encompass setting. Setting has also been addressed indirectly in several Scientific Symposia at previous ICOMOS General Assemblies, for example in Sofia (Bulgaria) in 1996, in the context of the impact of social change, and in Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) in 2003, as part of an exploration into the relationship between intangible heritage and monuments and sites.

Yet, in spite of the persistent interest in this topic, examples from around the world indicate that progress made in the way monuments, sites and other types of heritage places are conserved and managed has not always been paralleled by similar progress in the way settings are defined, protected and sustained..

Settings seem to be in need of a better set of tools to help with their definition, documentation, protection and management. Setting is not just about physical protection; it may also have a cultural or social dimension. Tools need to acknowledge both the tangible and the intangible aspects of setting. They also need to reflect the complexity of ownership, legal structures, economic and social pressures that impinge on the physical and cultural settings of an immovable heritage assets, with which ICOMOS members are involved.

Moveable objects such as collections or archives can be conserved in special institutions that provide them with appropriately controlled environments. This option does not exist for historic buildings, ancient cities, gardens, archaeological sites or larger ensembles like landscapes or heritage routes that ICOMOS was been created to focus on. In such places, settings often encompass dynamic social, economic and cultural communities that contribute to, or are part of, the value and significance of individual heritage places.

Increasing concerns over the impact of rapid development on our environment, is supporting the need to broaden attention from a narrow focus on individual sites or places to a more spatial approach which reflects, and works to engage with, wider cultural, social and economic forces.

What is also emerging is the need to go beyond a strictly aesthetic approach to both places and their settings, as this has often created confusion between long-term conservation and short-lived fashions and has failed to reflect the need for heritage sites to remain as dynamic entities.

All this is bringing into focus the expectation that we consider not only individual places but also their settings, in a less passive and more pro-active way and ensure that they are appraised with adequate understanding and respect for, not only their visual characteristics but also their historical, cultural or environmental dimensions. To achieve this will need a much more interdisciplinary approach and the expansion of current practice standards.

This wider approach to setting applies to wherever economic or social pressures are engaging change and transformation of setting, whether in the immediate surroundings of monuments or sites, in broader territory such as rural or urban landscapes, or even in meta landscapes such as heritage routes. It also applies when sudden events such as natural or man-made disasters call for rapid reconstruction. The challenge of developing appropriate tools for a wider, interdisciplinary approach to setting, and the sharing of related experiences, must be part of the fundamental role of ICOMOS.

With an almost unprecedented rate of economic growth and development, the townscapes and landscapes of Asia and, in particular, China provide a most appropriate context within which to discuss such issues and approaches.

At the close of the 15th General Assembly of ICOMOS, a Xi'an Declaration will be produced, and hopefully adopted, which will embody recommendations and guidance on ways to appraise, manage and protect settings which reflect not only planning and legal perspectives but also cultural, social, and economic approaches, that allow wider community participation and benefit.

Reflecting discussions with colleagues in ICOMOS China, with National and International Committees, with President Michael Petzet, and with other members of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS, it is proposed that the International Scientific Symposium of Xi'an be organized in four themes – definition, threats, tools and a special focus on heritage routes. These themes will be treated in plenary sessions and by panels so as to optimize the exchange of experience and interdisciplinary approaches, both of which are fundamental to ICOMOS. In addition, poster sessions and professional fora will enable participants to address other related topics and share the lessons of their works in fields such as materials, technologies, methods, tools, and information management.

On behalf of all the organisers of the 15th ICOMOS General Assembly and its International Scientific Symposium, I would like to encourage you to submit proposals for presentations on the above themes, according to the procedures described below. All proposals will be reviewed appropriately by the Scientific Committee of the Symposium. We hope that an inspiring overall programme will emerge for this landmark event. We would also like to invite you to come and take part in the Xi'an meeting and help mark the 40th anniversary of ICOMOS, in the company of many members of the diverse community of professional and institutions from the field of cultural heritage.

Dinu BUMBARU
Secretary General

SUB-THEMES OF THE SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM

Section I:

Defining the setting of monuments and sites: the significance of tangible and intangible cultural and natural qualities

Monuments and sites exist in both time and space as well as in a cultural context. Their presence, and their relation to the land that they stand on, or to the city or landscape they rest in, whether it is natural or shaped by human activities, is often part of their cultural, spiritual, historical or aesthetic significance. To complement the efforts invested in understanding the significance of monuments, sites and other forms of cultural heritage, equal attention is needed to the way we define and sustain settings, in order to improve the way we conserve and manage places in their settings.

- How can we define, document and assess the physical, historical and cultural settings of different types of monuments, sites and other heritage places?
- How can the appraisal of settings address the dynamic as well as the static nature of settings?
- Are settings culturally specific or can there be a shared understanding?
- Do ICOMOS Charters and Guidelines give sufficient guidance on settings?
- What are the special needs of World Heritage site settings?

**Section II:
Vulnerabilities within the settings of monuments and sites:
understanding the threats and defining appropriate responses**

Before protection can be considered, the nature and scope of threats and vulnerabilities needs to be identified. The factors affecting setting may be broader than those impacting on individual monuments and sites. Impact assessment processes, common in the field of environment and natural heritage, need to be tailored to meet the needs of cultural heritage in order that protection measures within heritage settings may provide appropriate responses to managing change and be complementary to those developed for the protection of individual sites and monuments.

- How do we assess the impact of economic and social pressures, rapid urbanisation and infrastructural developments on the setting of monuments, sites and other types of heritage places?
- How do we identify the actual or potential impacts of natural hazards and environmental factors, arising from human activities, such as pollution, deforestation, changes in the water table or intensive land management, on the settings of monuments, sites and other types of heritage places?
- How do we improve, develop and implement legislative, regulatory, administrative or management measures to address the needs for protection and adequate control of settings of monuments, sites and other types of heritage places?
- Do World Heritage Management Plans have wider application as a means of protecting setting?

**Section III:
Evolving townscapes and landscapes within their settings:
managing dynamic change**

By nature, living townscapes and landscapes are dynamic entities that involve communities, multiple ownership or interests. Pressures for reconstruction and densification have to be addressed through protection and management tools that aim at maintaining the heritage significance of these places. Exposed to rapid change and to forms of development like high-rises that are often excluded from heritage areas, their settings are at risk of being completely destroyed or transformed beyond recognition. The relation between neighbourhoods and parts of cities, even the traditional contrast between urban and rural setting, are being eroded as the edges of settlements and the boundaries of urbanisation are constantly shifting.

- How can we define, physically and otherwise, the settings of living townscapes or landscapes of heritage value?
- How could the management of protected townscapes and landscapes be extended to their setting, for example to sustain the distinctive character of the relation between town and country?
- How can we address the particular issues related to the management and protection of natural and rural landscapes and their setting?
- How can we respond to the influence of social or economic change in the management and protection of setting and how can settings contribute to the dynamics of protected townscapes or landscapes?
- Does the management of change in World Heritage townscapes and landscapes have wider relevance?

Section IV:
Cultural routes:
the challenges of linear settings for monuments and sites:

Taking advantage of the historical importance of Xi'an as a starting point for the famous system of transcontinental Silk Roads, this section will explore conservation and management of cultural routes as connecting systems of sites and settings. Shaped through time or as vast constructions, land or water routes connect in linear systems and within an overall setting many types of monuments, sites, and natural and cultural landscapes, which may be variously of local, national, international or even transcontinental extent. Cultural routes may also connect heritage of diverse historical and cultural origins.

- How can we define the setting and management protection measures for cultural routes?
- How can we manage settings along routes in relation to the specific character and needs of local sites, activities and communities in order to provide consistency while respecting diversity?
- How can we address the specific needs of settings for cultural routes defined in an international or transcontinental context and develop co-operation activities within these settings?
- How can lessons be drawn and shared from the way settings are defined in existing inscriptions of cultural routes as World Heritage sites?

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMITTING ABSTRACTS

The scientific symposium is open to ICOMOS members and non-members alike. All abstracts received **by 15 April 2005** will be considered by a specially appointed Scientific Committee for inclusion in the Scientific Symposium programme. Authors will be informed **by 1 June 2005** whether their paper has been selected and on the time they have been allocated for their presentation. The decision of the Scientific Committee is final. Selected authors will be invited to supply their full paper **by 30 July 2005, so that it can be included in the Symposium Proceedings CD-Rom**. Full details on the format in which full papers should subsequently be supplied is available on the web site.

Abstracts

Deadline: 15 April 2005

Format: 200 words, in English French or Chinese, sent preferably by e-mail, giving: the name; full postal address (including telephone, fax and e-mail); short curriculum vitae of the author, the title of the paper and indicating under which of the 4 sub-sections the paper falls, and if applicable, the National Committee of which you are member. Chinese abstracts should be accompanied by a translation into English or French.

Financial support: Limited financial support may be available for authors of selected papers from countries facing financial difficulties. Should your ability to attend depend on financial support please state so clearly in the cover letter accompanying your abstract giving reasons and the support you would require.

Posters

Participants are also welcome to contribute posters on the Scientific Symposium theme. To contribute to this poster exhibition please send the following details to the Organizing Committee **by 15 April 2005** : name and contact address of the author(s), theme of the poster(s), size and number of the panels. Authors of selected posters will be informed by 1 June 2005.

**Abstracts and information on posters should be forwarded by e-mail to the following address
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General enquiries concerning registration etc. should be addressed to the address provided on page 12**

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

15TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM and PRE-ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

Friday, 14 October	ICOMOS International Scientific Committee Strategic Retreat ICOMOS Executive Committee meeting
Saturday, 15 October	ICOMOS Advisory Committee meeting
Sunday, 16 October	ICOMOS Advisory Committee meeting - including meetings in regional groups
Monday, 17 October	Morning : General Assembly - Plenary Business Opening Session Afternoon : Scientific Symposium - Opening Keynote session Evening : Official Opening Ceremony and celebration of 40 th anniversary of ICOMOS, cultural performance
Tuesday, 18 October	Scientific Symposium 1 hour plenary session and then break up into sub-themes Small evening sessions on specific subjects
Wednesday, 19 October	Excursion to the Terracotta Warriors and Horses of Qin Shihuang and the Yangling Mausoleum of the Han Dynasty near Xi'an.
Thursday, 20 October	Morning : Scientific Symposium 1 hour plenary session and then break up into sub-themes Late afternoon : Return to Plenary Session - Report of the Rapporteurs, and presentation of Xi'an Declaration Small evening sessions on specific subjects
Friday, 21 October	General Assembly Plenary Business session (resolutions and elections)
Saturday, 22 October	Meeting of former and newly elected ICOMOS Executive Committee Departure of post-Assembly tours

GENERAL INFORMATION

Below please find information on registration, hotel reservations, post-general assembly and other important details to help you prepare your trip to China. Please use the attached Registration Form to register your participation.

Delegate Registration

Participants in the 15th ICOMOS General Assembly and Scientific Symposium are invited to register as soon as possible. To register, please complete all the sections of the attached **Registration Form** and return the completed form to the following address:

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DEADLINES	REGISTRATION FEE		
	ICOMOS members	Non-members	Accompanying persons
Until 30 June 2005	300 US\$	375 US\$	200 US\$
From 1 July to 17 September 2005	400 US\$	475 US\$	250 US\$
After 18 September 2005	500 US\$	575 US\$	350 US\$

Registration entitles you to participate in all events relating to the 15th General Assembly and Scientific Symposium; to receive the conference bag with the meeting documents including a CD Rom with the Scientific Symposium papers; to attend the Welcome Reception and Opening Ceremony (with a “Entering the City” Ceremony at the city wall’s South Gate and traditional performances); a music and dance performance in Tang dynasty style and highlights of Qinqiang opera at Yishu theatre; the General Assembly Closing ceremony and dinner (with a visit to the Datang Lotus and Hibiscus Garden and the northern square of the Big Wild Goose Pagoda); an all day excursion on Wednesday 19 October to the Terracotta Army and Horses of Qin Shihuang and the Yangling Mausoleum of the Han Dynasty near Xi’an.– packed lunch included; airport transfers with a scheduled shuttle bus – see below for further details.

Accompanying persons programme

Monday, 17 October	Morning – visit to handicraft factory to observe traditional manufacturing techniques. Evening – Welcome Reception and Opening Ceremony (with a “Entering the City” Ceremony at the city wall’s South Gate and traditional performances)
Tuesday, 18 October	Day time - Visit the National Museum of Shaanxi History, the Big and Small Wild Goose Pagoda Evening – together with delegates - music and dance performance in Tang dynasty style and highlights of Qinqiang opera at Yishu theatre.
Wednesday, 19 October	Together with delegates - Excursion to the Terracotta Warriors and Horses of Qin Shihuang, and the Yangling Mausoleum of the Han Dynasty near Xi’an.
Thursday, 20 October	Free Day
Friday, 21 October	Daytime - Visit the Bell Tower, the Drum Tower, the City Wall and Forest of Stone Tablets during the day. Evening - General Assembly Closing ceremony and dinner (with a visit to Datang Lotus and Hibiscus Garden and the northern square of the Big Wild Goose Pagoda).

For accompanying persons, the lunches on 17, 18, 19 and 21 October as well as airport transfer with a scheduled shuttle bus are included in the registration fee (detail under airport shuttle information below). **Accompanying persons can be registered using the Registration form for the delegate. See above for the registration fees that apply.**

Cancellations of registration

Cancellation of delegate and accompanying person’s registration **will only be accepted if notified in writing to the Organizing Committee**. Cancellations received up to including **30 June 2005** will be subject to a US\$ 40 handling charge, those received between **1 July** and up to including **17 September 2005** will be subject to a US\$ 100 handling charge – the remainder will be refunded. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after 17 September 2005.

Venue and hotel reservations

The Organizing Committee has negotiated **special rates** for delegates with the three hotels listed in the table below for the duration of the ICOMOS 15th General Assembly and related meetings. Please note that in all cases the **hotel price is per room** independent of single or double occupancy.

The venue for all the main meetings and sessions will be the Xi'an People's Hotel which is in the city centre, within the old city walls. The **Aurum International** and **British International Commercial** hotels are in 5 minutes walking distance from the Xi'an People's Hotel. All three hotels are located at the heart of the business and government district of the city only minutes away from shopping streets and the entertainment area around the famous Bell Tower.

Hotel arrangements are the responsibility of individual delegates. Please make your reservation directly with the hotel of your choice as soon as possible. When making your booking remember to quote that you are a delegate at the "15th GENERAL ASSEMBLY" to ensure you obtain the specially negotiated rates.

Any cancellation or change of hotel reservations should be made directly with the hotel of your choice who will inform you of the respective cancellation fees.

On the registration form, please indicate which hotel you have booked for the duration of the General Assembly to facilitate co-ordination.

Xi'an People's Hotel – General Assembly venue

***Sofitel on Renminsquare
Grand Mercure on Renminsquare
Mercure on Renminsquare***

319 Dong Xin Street
Xian, Shaanxi 710004
People's Republic of China
Tel: + (86 29) 8792 8888
Fax: + (86 29) 8792 8999
E-mail: info@renminsquare.com
dosm@renminsquare.com
dbdc@renminsquare.com
Contacts: William Wang and Cindy Wang

Built in 1953, this building ensemble located in the grounds of Renmin Square was considered as the first of its kind in northwest China and combines Sino-Russian architectural design. At present it is being completely refurbished and extended with some modern additions and so will offer ICOMOS **brand new facilities for our meetings**. Run by the ACCOR group, the complex of the Xi'an People's Hotel is made up of **three separate wings**, set in a pleasant garden, going from 5 star platinum to 3 star standard – the Sofitel Renmin Square; the Grand Mercure Renmin Square and the Mercure Remin Square. It therefore offers **accommodation in a broad range of prices** in one common location. For their comfort delegates are encouraged to book at this hotel which will be the main venue of our meeting.

Please note that whilst we are quoting breakfast prices below – the hotel has assured us that if more than ten rooms of each type are booked breakfast will be free.

You can find complete **fact-sheets** giving information on services provided by the three different standard wings on the ICOMOS web site.

Sofitel Renmin Square Xian – 5-star platinum standard

Room type (Single or double beds)	Negotiated Room Rate (single or double occupany)	Breakfast (per person)
Superior	140 US\$ / 1162 RMB	12 US\$ / 100 RMB
Deluxe	154 US\$ / 1278 RMB	12 US\$ / 100 RMB
Premier	182 US\$ / 1511 RMB	12 US\$ / 100 RMB
Sofitel suite	256 US\$ / 2125 RMB	12 US\$ / 100 RMB

Grand Mercure Renmin Square Xian – 5-star category

Room type	Negotiated Room Rate (single or double occupany)	Breakfast (per person)
Classic two single beds	95 US\$ / 789 RMB	9 US\$ / 75 RMB
Superior double bed	112 US\$ / 930 RMB	9 US\$ / 75 RMB
Deluxe suite double bed	168 US\$ / 1394 RMB	9 US\$ / 75 RMB
Executive suite double bed	208 US\$ / 1726 RMB	9 US\$ / 75 RMB

Mercure Remin Square Xian – 3-star category

Room type	Negotiated Room Rate (single or double occupany)	Breakfast (per person)
Classic double bed	70 US\$ / 581 RMB	Free breakfast
Deluxe double bed	88 US\$ / 730 RMB	Free breakfast
Mercure suite double bed	140 US\$ / 1162 RMB	Free breakfast

Aurum International Hotel – 4 star category

N° 30 Nan Xin Street
Xi'an, Shaanxi 710004
People's Republic of China
Tel: + (86 29) 8767 2888
Fax : + (86 29) 8767 2666
e-mail : sales@auruminthotel.com
www.auruminthotel.com
Contact: Mr Johnson Dong, Assistant Manager

Room Type (single or double beds available)	Negotiated Room rate (single or double occupany) including breakfast for two persons
Standard double A	34 US\$
Standard double B	32 US\$
Standard double C	28 US\$
Standard double D	26 US\$
Suite	60 US\$
Suite	57 US\$

British International Commercial Hotel – 3 star category

N° 8 Xixin Street,
Xi'an, Shaanxi 710001
People's Republic of China
Tel: + (86 29) 8767 2222 - 8811 or + (86 29) 8767 2119
Fax: + (86 29) 8767 2299
e-mail: HotelBritish@163.com
Contact: Yan Rui Ling, Manager

Room Type	Negotiated Room Rate (Single or Double Occupancy)
Standard room A double bed	30 US\$ / 240 RMB
Standard room B two single beds	31 US\$ / 250 RMB
Business room two double bed	48 US\$ / 400 RMB
Executive room King size bed	61 US\$ / 500 RMB
Deluxe suite one King Size bed and two single beds	88 US\$ / 730 RMB

AIR TRAVEL

Xi'an can be reached by flights from **several cities in Asia**: Bangkok (Thailand); Seoul (Korea); Tokyo, Fukuoka, Nagoya and Niigata (Japan).

All other flights pass through Beijing, Guangzhou, Shanghai HongQiao and Pudong airports or Hong Kong.

Consult the ICOMOS web site for **flight schedules**.

VISAS

Participants requiring a visa to travel to China must obtain this document **before leaving their country** through the Chinese Embassy or Consulate in their country. All visitors require valid passports.

A **list of Chinese Embassies and Consulates** around the world is available on the web site of the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/wjb/zwjg/default.htm and can be accessed directly through the ICOMOS web site. We advise you in all cases to check well in advance whether you need a visa and to **allow enough time for its processing**. In no case will it be possible to provide visas on arrival.

Registered delegates will automatically receive an **official invitation letter** required by the Chinese Embassy for visa applications together with confirmation of their registration. For this purpose please ensure that you accurately complete the rubric concerning your occupation, passport n° and nationality in the **registration form**.

FREE AIRPORT TRANSFER AND TAXI SERVICES

Xi'an Xianyang International Airport is about 48 km (50 minutes) away from the city centre. The Organisers are providing **free airport transfer to/from the official conference hotels** listed above on the following days : 13 – 16 October 2005 from airport to hotels and 22 – 23 October 2005 from hotels to airport at the following times: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00, 13:00, 15:00, 17:00, 19:00, 21:00; 23: 00

Should you wish to use this service please make sure you **indicate your flight details on the registration form**. Please note that shuttles will only run at the times mentioned above and in no case can individual pick up be organised.

Should you arrive or depart at a time when there is no scheduled shuttle you can take (at your personal cost) a **taxi** at 120 RMB/per vehicle (approx 15 US\$) or the **commercial airport shuttle** at 25 RMB/per person (approx. 3 US\$).

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXCURSION – WEDNESDAY, 19 OCTOBER

The Terra-Cotta Warriors and Horses Museum of Emperor Qin Shihuang

No doubt thousands of statues still remain to be unearthed at this archaeological site, which was not discovered until 1974. Qin (d. 210 B.C.), the first unifier of China, is buried, surrounded by the famous terracotta warriors, at the centre of a complex designed to mirror the urban plan of the capital, Xianyan. Three pits have been excavated so far. Occupying an area of over 200,000 square meters, the pits are arranged in a triangular shape. The almost 8000 life size figures that have so far been excavated are all different; with their chariots and bronze weapons, they are masterpieces of realism and also of great historical interest. The terracotta warriors, whose status can be identified from their respective costumes and positioning, are about 1.8 meters high. Considered by some as the “Eighth Wonder of the World”, the excavated objects are precious materials for the study of the military tradition, politics, economy, culture, science and arts of the 2,000-year-old Qin Dynasty.

Delegates will visit the on-site museum located around 1.5 kilometers east of Emperor Qin Shi Huang's Mausoleum in Lintong County.

The Yangling Mausoleum of the Han Dynasty

The Yangling mausoleum was built for the fourth emperor of the Han Dynasty named Han Jindi Liuqi and his empress. It is situated 20km north of Xi'an on the Xianyang plateau next to the River Wei, with at its south the Han dynasty capital - Chang'an. It is one of the major on-site museums in Shaanxi province. The complex forms an irregular rectangle shape and covers an area of 20 square km. It includes the following remains: the mound of the emperor and the mound the empress, accompanied by burial pits to the north and south; the ruins of ceremonial buildings, the tombs of prisoners, a series of satellite mounds, the remains of the outer city of Han Yangyi, to name but a few. The emperor's mound dominates the whole area and together with the complex layout of the various burial zones reflects the strict rank conception of the dynasty. The main areas open to the public are: the stone compass, the ruins of the southern watchtower's gate, and the display room showing excavated artefacts.

OPTIONAL POST-ASSEMBLY TOURS

Following the 15th General Assembly, and depending on sufficient interest, the Organisers are proposing a series of cultural tours in China under the following themes :

The Silk Road tour

A Urumqi - Heavenly Lake – Dunhuang – Jiayuguan – Lanzhou - Beijing

The Historical Site tours

B Beijing – TianJing - ChengDe Summer Mansion – Shanhaiguan - BeidaiHe Sanatorium

C ChengDu - Sanxing-dui – Dujiangyan – Siguliang Mountain – Jiuzhaigou - Huanglong

D Taer Monastery - Qinghai Lake - Nanguan Mosque, Yinchuan City – the Emperor's Mausoleum, Western Xia Dynasty.

The Fresco and Stone Carving tours

E ChongQing – The Old Streets of Ciqikou - The DaZu Stone Sculptures - ChangJiang River and Three Gorges

F DunHuang - Maiji Mountain – Lanzhou - Jiayuguan

G JinCi Temple - TianLongshan Grottoes - The Ancient City Wall of PingYao

The Small Historic Towns tours

H ZhengZhou - Longmen Grottoes - Ruins of Anyang, Yin Dynasty

I The International Horticultural Exhibition Park – Villages of the Yunnan Nationalities - The Stone Forest - Ancient Dali Town - Ancient City of Lijiang

J The Han Tomb at Mawangdui - Yueyang Pavilion – Zhangjiajie - The Xiangxi Nationalities ancient Phoenix City

The Ancient Buildings tours

K Confucius Temple - Baotu Spring - Taishan Mountain

L TaiYan - WuTai Mountain – The ancient city of PingYao - The Qiao Courtyard - The Wang Courtyard - HuKou waterfall

M Cuiha Mountain - LouGuanTai Temple – Zhasui - The Mausoleum of HangDi - HuaShan Mountain

Chinese Culture tours

N DaLian - QingDao - Laoshan Mountain – Yantai - Penglai Island – Weihai - Buddha Stone Carving in Southern Mountains.

O NanKing - Huang Mountain - Qiandao Hu - HangZhou- - SuZhou - ShangHai

P GuiLin - The LiJiang River – NanJing - Northern Sea

Further details, costs and reservation conditions are available on the **ICOMOS web site** or from the Organisers (just tick the appropriate box on the **registration form**).

SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION

Simultaneous translation in **English, French and Chinese** will be provided for the plenary sessions of the General Assembly and Scientific Symposium. Delegates are asked to indicate in the **registration form** their preferred language for the conference documentation.

INSURANCE

The organisers of the 15th General Assembly and Scientific Symposium will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by participants as a result of illness, accidents, robbery or theft of personal belongings. Before leaving their country, participants should make sure they have cover for all risks through their own insurance companies.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Temperatures: During October, in Xi'an, the average temperature is around 13.8°C with rain on some days. However, temperatures can fall rapidly, so foresee some warm clothing too.

Currency Exchange: As an indication, on 12.12.2004 the exchange rate between the Chinese currency RMB (Renminbi) and US\$ stood at US\$ 1 = 8.214 RMB.

Budgeting: to help you budget your stay – please note that lunches and dinners in town or at the Xi'an People's Hotel can cost in between 5 to 20 US\$ respectively.

VARIOUS INFORMATION RELATED TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

GAZZOLA PRIZE AND HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Established in 1979, the **Piero Gazzola Prize** commemorates an outstanding personality in the history of the conservation and restoration of monuments and sites, closely linked to the creation of ICOMOS. Every three years the prize is awarded during the ICOMOS General Assembly to an individual or a group of people who have worked together and contributed with distinction to the aims and objectives of ICOMOS. For the **15th General Assembly**, the following **Selection Committee**, specially appointed by the ICOMOS Executive Committee, will choose the laureate from among the ICOMOS members put forward by the National or Scientific Committees : Yukio Nishimura (Chair of the Jury, Vice President of ICOMOS international, Japan); Birgitta Hoberg (President of ICOMOS Sweden, former Advisory Committee Vice President, chair of the 14th General Assembly Gazzola Prize jury); Roland Silva (Sri Lanka, Honorary President of ICOMOS international and Gazzola Prize winner); Salvador Aceves (Mexico, founding member of ICOMOS), Cevat Erder (former President of ICOMOS Turkey and former member of the ICOMOS Executive Committee, Honorary member and Gazzola Prize winner).

The Prize is a commemorative medal and has been previously awarded to: Mr. Jean Trouvelot (1981); Prof. Stanislas Lorentz (1984); Prof. Masaru Sekino (1987); Mrs Gertrude Tripp (1990); Sir Bernard Feilden (1993); Dr Ernest Allen Connally (1996); Dr. Roland Silva (1999), and Cevat Erder (2003).

In accordance with Article 6.a. of the ICOMOS Statutes, **Honorary Membership** is also conferred by the General Assembly, at the proposal of a National Committee, upon individuals who have rendered distinguished service in the field of conservation, restoration and enhancement of historical monuments, sites, and groups of buildings. The selection is carried out by the same Selection Committee as for the Gazzola Prize.

All ICOMOS National and International Scientific Committees have been invited to **nominate candidates** for the Gazzola Prize and Honorary Membership of ICOMOS by sending their written nomination, **by 31 May 2005 at the latest** in either English, French or Spanish to the ICOMOS International Secretariat and including a short but detailed explanation setting forth reasons that the General Assembly should consider for awarding the Prize or Honorary Membership to the candidate, as well as the candidate's curriculum vitae.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO ATTEND THE 15TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The ICOMOS International Secretariat is again applying to funding institutions to obtain a grant so that it can support attendance of delegates from countries facing serious financial difficulties at the 15th General Assembly and Scientific Symposium. In the event that we are successful in obtaining the grant, we will be sending the criteria and conditions for receiving individual support to all the eligible National Committees. **These grants are not reserved for National Committee Presidents but open to all the members from the eligible countries depending on whether they fulfil the conditions required.** However, due to the limited funding available we are usually only able to support one member per Committee at most and so we advise Committees to put forward only a limited number of candidates following consultation among their members. For more information contact your National Committee or the ICOMOS International Secretariat – gaia.jungeblodt@icomos.org

ELECTIONS AT THE 15TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF ICOMOS

Call for candidatures

In accordance with the ICOMOS Statutes (article 12 c) all National Committee have been invited to **send proposals for candidatures** for the elections of the Executive Committee, both for positions of officers and for ordinary members, to the ICOMOS International Secretariat **by 31 March 2005**. The list of those candidates, together with their electoral platforms, will be **published in the next ICOMOS News** no less than 120 days (4 months) before the date of the General Assembly and will be available on the web site. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly (art 54.1), the members of ICOMOS can still propose further candidates until no later than 5 p.m. on the first day of the General Assembly. For information on what elements the candidature files must include, please contact the ICOMOS International Secretariat.

Voting procedure and rights

To ensure a fast, efficient and transparent voting procedure which, if necessary, allows verification of votes cast, **votes will be counted using an optical mark reading system** (combining paper ballots with an automated calculation) used for example in University multiple choice exams.

Below some procedural matters National Committees must respect so that their representatives can cast their votes at the election. In accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the ICOMOS General Assembly:

Article 23.3.b (see also articles 27.2 and 45.4) – “Chairmen of National Committees must have submitted to the ICOMOS International Secretariat and not less than one month before the General Assembly a list of their voting members, signed by the National Committee Chairman.”

Article 15.2 “Any voting member may give his proxy to another voting member of his National Committee who must hand the Secretariat a signed and dated proxy form before the time fixed on the programme of the General Assembly for the meeting of the Credentials Committee. No member shall be entitled to have more than five votes in addition to his own.”

Article 45.2 “The number of votes is limited to 18 for each National Committee.” (This includes proxies).

Article 23.3.a (ref. also to article 27.2b and 45.2) National Committees must be up to date in their membership fees (and arrears) so as to have the right to vote during the General Assembly.

In addition, the Executive Committee at its meeting in Bergen during September 2004 unanimously decided that the **final deadline for payment of the totality of membership fees of a National Committee** will be the same as the statutory deadline for the handing over of voting lists, that is to say one month before the start of the General Assembly (Art. 23.3.b RoP).

Consequently, to be able to vote at the 15th General Assembly, National Committees must be up-to-date with all their membership fees at the latest by **17 September 2005**.

No exceptions will be made to this deadline

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF ICOMOS AND INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR MONUMENTS AND SITES

The **Constitutive Assembly of ICOMOS** was held in Warsaw (Poland) on **21 and 22 June 1965**. The year 2005 therefore marks the 40th anniversary of our organisation. There will be special celebration during the opening ceremony of the 15th General Assembly in Xi'an, on the occasion of which a special exhibition on the achievements of ICOMOS during the last 40 years is also being planned. All ICOMOS Committees are encouraged to organise special events in their countries, in particular on **18th April 2005 – International Day on Monuments and Sites** to celebrate this important date in the history of ICOMOS, and will also be invited to contribute to the exhibition by providing short texts and photographs on the three major achievements the Committee feels it has made at its national level or in its specific scientific field since its creation.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 14TH ICOMOS GENERAL ASSEMBLY SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM: PLACE –MEMORY – MEANING : PRESERVING INTANGIBLE VALUES IN MONUMENTS AND SITES.

All the papers presented at this symposium held in Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) in October 2003 can now be downloaded from the ICOMOS web site www.international.icomos.org/victoriafalls2003/papers.htm or purchased on a CD Rom from the ICOMOS Documentation Centre - jose.garcia@icomos.org

REGISTRATION FORM / BULLETIN D'INSCRIPTION

ICOMOS 15TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM
Xi'an, China, 17 – 21 October 2005

15^{ème} ASSEMBLEE GENERALE ET SYMPOSIUM SCIENTIFIQUE DE L'ICOMOS
Xi'an, Chine, 17 – 21 octobre 2005

Please complete this form in block capitals according to the "General Information" provided above and the instructions included below, and return the completed form to:
Veuillez remplir ce bulletin en majuscules suivant les « Informations Générales » ci-dessus et les instructions ci-dessous, et renvoyer le bulletin une fois complété à :

The Bureau of Cultural Heritage and Parks, Xi'an Municipality
Attention : Liu Zhao and Cao Mingjing – 15th ICOMOS General Assembly
Number 266 Xi'qi road
Xi'an City, Shaanxi Province, 710004
People's Republic of China
Tel. + Fax: + (86 29) 874 17981
e-mail : icomos15th_xian@vip.163.com

PERSONAL DATA / INFORMATIONS PERSONNELLES

First name / Prénom

Last name / Nom

Ms. / Mme

Mr. / M.

Occupation / Profession / position

Postal address / Adresse postale

Country / Pays

Tel.

Fax

E-mail

ICOMOS National Committee of which you are member
Comité National de l'ICOMOS don't vous êtes membre

Delegate - Passport number
Numéro du passeport du participant

Delegate – Nationality
Nationalité du participant

Language (indicate order of preference):
Langue (indiquer l'ordre de préférence):

— English
anglais

— French
français

— Chinese
chinois

Accompanying person, if applicable (indicate full name)
Accompagnant, le cas échéant (indiquer le nom complet)

Ms. / Mme

Mr. / M.

Accompanying person - Passport number
Numéro de passeport de l'accompagnant

Accompanying Person - Nationality
Nationalité de l'accompagnant

Accompanying person - Occupation/Position / Profession / position de l'accompagnant

REGISTRATION FEE / DROIT D'INSCRIPTION

ICOMOS Members / Membres de l'ICOMOS :

- US\$ 300** up to 30 June 2005 / jusqu'au 30 juin 2005
- US\$ 400** from 1 July to 17 September 2005 / du 1^{er} juillet au 17 septembre 2005
- US\$ 500** from 18 September 2005 / à partir du 18 septembre 2005

Non-members / Non-membres :

- US\$ 375** up to 30 June 2005 / jusqu'au 30 juin 2005
- US\$ 475** from 1 July to 17 September 2005 / du 1^{er} juillet au 17 septembre 2005
- US\$ 575** from 18 September 2005 / à partir du 18 septembre 2005

Accompanying persons / Accompagnants :

- US\$ 200** up to 30 June 2005 / jusqu'au 30 juin 2005
- US\$ 250** from 1 July to 17 September 2005 / du 1^{er} juillet au 17 septembre 2005
- US\$ 300** from 18 September 2005 / à partir du 18 septembre 2005

Payments must be made in US\$ by bank transfer / Les paiements devront être effectués en US\$ par virement bancaire :

Bank Transfer to / Virement bancaire à :

Account Holder / Titulaire du compte :

The Office of the Chinese Organization
Committee for the ICOMOS 15th General Assembly

Address of account holder:

Adresse du titulaire du compte :

N° 266 Xi'qi Road
Xi'an City,
Shaanxi Province
People's Republic of China
P.D. 710004

Bank / Banque :

Bank of China, Xi'an North Street Sub-branch

Account / Compte :

33350408091014

Swift Code / Code Swift :

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- **When making the transfer order clearly indicate your full name and mention "ICOMOS 15th General Assembly" / Au moment de passer l'ordre de virement, veuillez indiquer clairement votre nom complet et indiquer « 15^{ème} Assemblée Générale de l'ICOMOS »**
- **All bank fees for these payments are to be paid by the sender / les commissions bancaires sur ces paiements seront payées par l'expéditeur.**

You will receive confirmation of your registration once your payment has reached the Chinese Organizing Committee. We are unable to accept long-distance credit card payments for registration. However, you will be able to use your international credit card and traveller cheques for your other expenses once you have arrived in China. / Vous recevrez la confirmation de votre inscription une fois votre paiement reçu par le Comité d'organisation chinois. Nous sommes dans l'incapacité d'accepter des paiements longue-distance par carte de crédit pour l'inscription. Cependant, vous pourrez utiliser votre carte de crédit internationale ou vos voyageurs checks pour vos dépenses courantes une fois sur place.

Delegates registering in China can pay the registration fee in cash, traveller cheques or by credit card, adding the following commissions to credit card payments: Visa -3% commission, Master Card 3% commission; American Express 6 US\$ commission; Diners 4% commission. Please contact the Organizing Committee if you wish to pay by credit card. / Les participants venant de Chine peuvent également payer leur droit d'inscription en espèces ou par carte de crédit, en ajoutant les frais de commission suivants : Visa : 3% de commission ; Master Card : 3 % de commission ; American Express : 6 US\$ de commission ; Diners : 4% de commission. Veuillez contacter le Comité d'Organisation si vous désirez payer par carte de crédit.

Cancellations received in writing up to including 30 June 2005 will be subject to a US\$ 40 handling charge, those received between 1 July and up to including 17 September 2005 will be subject to a US\$ 100 handling charge – the remainder will be refunded. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after 17 September 2005. / **Les annulations écrites** reçues avant le 30 juin 2005 inclus feront l'objet de frais de traitement de 40 US\$, celles reçues entre le 1^{er} juillet et le 17 septembre 2005 inclus feront l'objet de frais de traitement de 100 US\$ - la différence sera remboursée. Aucun remboursement ne sera effectué en cas d'annulation reçue après le 17 septembre 2005.

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM **SYMPOSIUM SCIENTIFIQUE INTERNATIONAL**

“Monuments and Sites in their setting - Conserving Cultural Heritage
in Changing Townscapes and Landscapes”
« Monuments et Sites dans leur milieu -
conserver le patrimoine culturel dans des villes et des paysages en mutation »

For logistical reasons, please inform us which sub-theme of the Symposium you would prefer to attend (indicate your order of preference using 1, 2, 3 and 4) / Pour des raisons logistiques, veuillez nous informer à quel sous thème du Symposium vous préférez assister (indiquer l'ordre de préférence en utilisant 1, 2, 3 et 4) :

- ___ **Section I:** Defining the setting of monuments and sites / Définir le milieu des monuments et des sites
- ___ **Section II:** Vulnerabilities within the settings of monuments and sites / Identifier la vulnérabilité du cadre des monuments et des sites
- ___ **Section III:** Evolving townscapes and landscapes within their settings / Gérer le changement – les villes et les paysages dans leur milieu
- ___ **Section IV:** Cultural Routes / Routes culturelles

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION / CHAMBRE D'HÔTEL

Delegates are invited to book hotel accommodation by directly contacting the hotels suggested in the "General Information" section and mentioning "ICOMOS 15th General Assembly" when making their booking to obtain the special negotiated rates. / Les délégués sont invités à réserver leur chambre d'hôtel en contactant directement les hôtels suggérés dans les « Informations générales » et à mentionner « 15^{ème} Assemblée Générale ICOMOS » au moment de leur réservation pour obtenir les tarifs préférentiels.

For the organiser's information, please indicate in the box below the name of the hotel which you have booked: / Pour information pour les organisateurs, veuillez indiquer dans l'espace ci-dessous le nom de l'hôtel où vous avez réservé :

Double room - I will share my room with (if applicable) / Chambre double – Je partagerai ma chambre avec (s'il y a lieu) :

First name / Prénom

Last name / Nom

Nationality / Nationalité :

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I wish to sign up for the free airport shuttle service / Je souhaite bénéficier du service de transport par navette on arrival / à l'arrivée on departure / au départ

Arrival / Arrivée :

Date: Time / Heure : Flight (indicate airline and flight number):
Vol (indiquer la compagnie et le numéro de vol)

Departure / Départ :

Date: Time / Heure : Flight (indicate airline and flight number):
Vol (indiquer la compagnie et le numéro de vol)

Accompanying person, if applicable: _____
Accompagnant, le cas échéant :

OPTIONAL POST-ASSEMBLY TOURS IN CHINA VISITES OPTIONNELLES POST-ASSEMBLEE EN CHINE

I wish to receive more information on the following post-Assembly tours: / Je désire recevoir plus d'information sur les visites post-Assemblée suivantes :

The Silk Road Tour / La Route de la Soie	A	<input type="checkbox"/>				
The Historic Site Tours / Sites historiques	B	<input type="checkbox"/>	C	<input type="checkbox"/>	D	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Fresco and Stone Carving Tours / Fresques et sculptures en pierre	E	<input type="checkbox"/>	F	<input type="checkbox"/>	G	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Small Historic Towns Tours / Petites villes historiques	H	<input type="checkbox"/>	I	<input type="checkbox"/>	J	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Ancient Building Tour / Anciennes constructions	K	<input type="checkbox"/>	L	<input type="checkbox"/>	M	<input type="checkbox"/>
The Chinese Culture Tour / Culture chinoise	N	<input type="checkbox"/>	O	<input type="checkbox"/>	P	<input type="checkbox"/>

SUMMARY / RECAPITULATIF

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Droits d'inscription pour l'accompagnant : _____

Total to be paid / Total à payer : _____

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Date and signature of participant /
Date et signature du participant :

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