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THE "TEN COMMANDMENTS" FOR THE GOOD ICOMOS

1. ICOMOS is an International non-governmental Organization which acts independently from the States. We have to safeguard this independence as efficiently as possible.
2. ICOMOS promotes cultural and political protection of the Monuments and Sites to the international organizations and States at scientific, theoretical and administrative level. This promotion is achieved by the intervention of the national ICOMOS Committees, the International Scientific Committees of ICOMOS and by internative activities of great importance. **Today, the 40-50 active national ICOMOS Committees, the 10 active International Scientific Committees as well as the non-existent central activities are not sufficient to give the authority needed.**
3. Balances alone are not enough to develop an international organization without a vision. **When there is no vision there is no coherence in an organization with negative consequences for ICOMOS.**
4. ICOMOS, among others, is objectively a "Groupe de Pression". This dimension has never been valorized. Thus, the effectiveness of our interventions is modest. And of course, the objectives have never been clarified to the 40-50.000 members. The 7.000 existing members today, give us very low possibilities.
5. Our main policy aims at the participation of young people to strengthen the development of the movement for the protection of monumental heritage. **Unfortunately, today, gerontocracy is the rule.**
6. The continuous interventions of ICOMOS in the dominancy regarding the "heritage in risk" as well as theoretical problems of monuments protection, make the valorization of the media imperative.
In recent years, in the ICOMOS we are not aware of this kind of action. Today T.V. and press are, unfortunately, unknown to ICOMOS. Whereas, collaborations with other similar international organizations are not promoted.
7. The need for decent ICOMOS Headquarters in Paris, well-paid staff, an adequate data base including files and modern e-systems, require 1500m2 at least. **Unfortunately, the existing situation is disappointing with the 300m2.....**
8. Participation in important international programs (not only those of UNESCO). The amelioration of the programs mainly the "World Heritage List" with monitoring systems have been kept for years only on paper.
At the same time, new youth ICOMOS programs are neither supported actively nor are they promoted.
9. The "Blue Shield" program, which is of great importance, is an indispensable element for ICOMOS existence. Each political authority would support it, if this program was developed in a serious way.
Today, the "Blue Shield Program" has been, entirely, forgotten!
10. However, all these need funding: funds from the State, from international organizations, from sponsors, from special contract projects etc. , but to achieve all these, promotion of our field is necessary.
We all know that ICOMOS without financial support cannot survive!!!

In the last years, we have been waiting fatalistically without expecting any economic policy or dynamic planning!!!

The State funds have been diminished and potentially will disappear. Whereas, we are not in search of sponsors and neither actions are taken to bring in funds. How can we obtain 10 million dollars annually, which are required for a real the development of ICOMOS?

With all these facts, your vote is needed for a change, for a three-year period only. A lot can happen in three years!!

A ten-year dinosauric period is really a very dangerous period!!!

Ps. Nikos Agriantonis, who had these visions,, does not consider the President neither the Secretary General nor the Treasurer and the Vice Presidents responsible for the above mentioned, but it is his strong belief that the whole conception and attitude must change.

Year of birth: 1944

Place of birth: Athens

Languages spoken: Greek, English, French

- 1962 – 1967 Studies and Diploma in Architecture-Engineering at the Metsovio National Technical University of Athens
- 1967 – 1970 Studies and Diploma at the City-Planning Institute of the University of Paris (Paris: 10)
- 1969 – 1971 Studies and Diploma in Statistics/Informatics at the University of Paris (Paris: 6)
- 1972 – 1975 Studies and Diploma in Political Economics at the University of Paris (Paris: 8)
- 1968 – 1976 Studies and PhD (of the 3rd degree) in Urban Geography at the University of Paris (Paris: 1 – Sorbonne)

Research supervisor: Professor Pierre George

- 1967 – 1997 Freelance Architect-Engineer in Greece and France. Co-operation and employment with big Technical and Study Offices in Paris (Socotes – Sestig – Kandylis etc.) Supervision of big construction projects in Teheran, Baghdad, Jerba etc.
- 1967 – 1974 Political refugee in France under the United Nations auspices (Geneva Convention – UN 1951)
- 1976 – 1977 Full-time employment with the National Welfare Organisation as an Engineer. Study and supervision of the Organisation's projects (Urban Sites – Child Care and Nursery Schools in Athens and Thessaloniki and Child Care School Programme in Thrace)
- 1977 – 1982 Full-time employment with the Hellenic Tourism Organisation, as an Architect-Engineer, at the Department of Traditional Housing Settlements, more particularly involved in the Architectural Study and Supervision of projects concerning the refurbishment and transformation of houses of traditional architecture at certain inns in Oia (Santorini). Furthermore, involvement in extensive projects of technical and functional infrastructure at the Oia housing settlement (pedestrian ways, maritime museum, looming factory, sewage network, small port etc.) The building constructions and studies in Santorini were carried out in conjunction with the Architect-Engineer, Mrs V. Bozineki.
- 1979 – 1982 Member of the Architectural heritage Committee of the Technical Chamber of Greece.
- 1984 -1987 Member of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS (Coopted Member)
- 1989 – 1992 Vice-president of the Hellenic Section of the International Council of Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS).
- 1992 – 2001 Chairman of the Hellenic Section of ICOMOS.
- 1999 – 2005 Member of the ICOMOS Executive Committee.

Technical Studies and Supervisions

- Carried out numerous technical studies and supervisions on programmes set by the Hellenic Tourism Organisation which concern frontier stations, traditional settlements, transformation of old stone-made rural schools into inns, shaping of ports to welcome tourists, yacht, docks marine as well as studies and supervisions on numerous individual architectural projects and studies on town-planning, with special reference to the refurbishment of buildings of traditional architecture.
- Distinctions in Greek and International Competitions
- I have carried out numerous scientific studies and research pertaining to my field of knowledge, as well as to the preservation and protection of cultural heritage.

1962 – 2000 HONORARY AWARDS

1983 – 1988 “Europa Nostra” for the restoration of old Greek villages (Oia, Santorini and Korishades).

1999 IPEKCI Award of Greek-Turkish Friendship, as Chairman of the Hellenic Section of ICOMOS

2000 EPA Award offered by the "Government of non-Governmental Entities", as Chairman of the Hellenic Section of ICOMOS.