

**Twentieth Century Heritage
ICOMOS International Scientific Committee
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Article 1: Establishment and Aims

1.1 Establishment:

The Twentieth Century Heritage International Scientific Committee of ICOMOS (hereafter referred to as « the Committee ») is established in accordance with article 14 of the ICOMOS Statutes and the Eger Principles for International Scientific Committees. The draft statutes were adopted by representatives of the Committee on 6 February 2005 and approved by the Executive Committee on 7 February 2005. In 2008 the statutes were revised in accordance with the Eger-Xi'an Principles and were adopted by the Committee on 29 September 2008.

1.2 Aims:

The Committee aims to:

- 1.2.1 Promote and celebrate the value of heritage of the Twentieth Century and its creators;
- 1.2.2 Support the active identification, evaluation, management, safeguarding and conservation of Twentieth Century Heritage places;
- 1.2.3 Collaborate with and contribute to the work of other ICOMOS International Scientific Committees and relevant organisations in relation to Twentieth Century Heritage conservation, management and interpretation;
- 1.2.4 Develop and contribute to the archive of Twentieth Century Heritage documentation;
- 1.2.5 Provide a forum for organisations with interests in Twentieth Century Heritage to facilitate communication, debate, teaching and collaboration;
- 1.2.6 Provide specialist advice to ICOMOS on matters relating to Twentieth Century Heritage and the World Heritage Convention;
- 1.2.7 Organise at least one annual international meeting of the ISC and participate regionally in relevant activities, meetings and forums;
- 1.2.8 Raise funds and co-ordinate resources to support these aims and;
- 1.2.9 Address other Twentieth Century Heritage issues as they arise.

Article 2: Committee Objectives and Scope

2.1 Objectives:

The objective of the committee is to lead, support and sustain ICOMOS actions involving the conservation, management and interpretation of Twentieth Century heritage places.

The committee will act as a permanent international and multi-disciplinary group of experts addressing the conservation and management issues affecting Twentieth Century Heritage places, co-ordinating and integrating the various specialisations and research themes particular to this subject, facilitating international collaboration and disseminating knowledge thus acquired.

Actively identify forthcoming issues which impact the conservation of Twentieth Century heritage places

The committee will actively encourage the involvement and development of young practitioners as associate members.

2.2 Scope

Twentieth Century Heritage includes buildings, structures, urban ensembles and plans, cultural landscapes, industrial and historic archaeology including all forms of heritage, tangible and intangible. The heritage of the Twentieth Century has its origins in the nineteenth century and includes the products of more recent times.

Article 3: Membership

This Committee will be multi-disciplinary by its very nature and recognise the diversity of regional and cultural expression in Twentieth Century Heritage.

3.1 Expert Members: Expert members may be nominated by national ICOMOS committees, ISCs or may be self-nominated. If self-nominated, two supporting letters of recommendation from ICOMOS members who know the nominee are needed. In addition, nominees are to submit a letter of interest and their CV. Applications will be assessed by the Committee's Secretary General and two other members.

Expert members must demonstrate competency in the subject through a minimum of ten years professional experience, relevant education and training, and most importantly, they must commit to actively participate in the work of the Committee.

Expert members must be ICOMOS members, and agree to abide by the Ethical Commitment Statement for ICOMOS Members, Madrid 2002. Failure to behave accordingly may result in dismissal by the Bureau.

In accordance with the decision of the 2007 Scientific Council meeting in Edinburgh, National Committees will designate one expert member to vote for the Committee Bureau and on changes to the C20 ISC Statutes. There is no limit on the number of expert members that can be nominated by national committees and ISCs to the committee, and to vote on other committee decisions.

3.2 Associate Members: Associate members are ICOMOS members who wish to build up their interest and expertise in Twentieth Century Heritage conservation. Associate members will generally be younger practitioners willing to actively participate in the work of the Committee. Associate members are conditionally accepted for a period of three years, after which time their contribution to the Committee will be evaluated for possible elevation to be an expert member. Associate members are accorded no voting rights.

3.3 Honorary Members may be appointed by the Committee in recognition of the services they have rendered to the Committee or in recognition of their activities in favour of the Committee's objectives. Honorary members have no voting rights.

3.4 Institutional Members: Institutional members may include organisations, institutions, academic programmes, government agencies and NGOs whose work and mission closely align to those of the Committee. Institutional membership is generally valid for one triennium but may be renewed indefinitely in three year periods. Institutional members are accorded no voting rights.

3.5 Dismissal: The Committee Bureau will have the right to dismiss any member who is inactive for more than one year without explanation, who commits an action which may bring the Committee into disrepute, or who does not behave in accordance with the Ethical Commitment Statement for ICOMOS Members. Dismissal procedures will include notification of the ICOMOS International Secretariat.

Article 4: Committee Management

4.1 Annual Meeting: The Committee shall meet once each year. A written invitation by the Bureau including the agenda and any draft resolutions will be distributed to all members at least two weeks prior to the meeting.

4.2 Quorum: A minimum of 25% of expert members will be required to form a meeting quorum.

4.3 Bureau: The Bureau shall consist of members elected from the expert members of the Committee. There shall be a President, a Secretary General, a Treasurer and one Vice President, all from different countries. There shall be additional Vice Presidents providing regional representation. All Bureau members shall serve a term of three years, and may serve a maximum of three consecutive terms in each office, but in no case will serve more than fifteen years.

Time spent serving on the Interim Management Committee (2006-08) will not be counted towards term limits.

4.4 Advisory Committee: In accordance with article 12 of the ICOMOS Statutes, the President of each ISC will be an ex-officio member of the Advisory Committee of ICOMOS. Under article 7 of the Rules of the Advisory Committee, the president may be represented by a designated member of the ISC at the Advisory Committee meetings. To do so, a written proxy must be sent to the President of the Advisory Committee via the ICOMOS Secretariat at least 15 days before the Advisory Committee meets.

4.5 Elections: Written advice regarding the election will be distributed to members at least one month in advance of the election date.

Nominations for the Bureau from amongst expert members shall require nomination and seconding by expert members. All nominations shall be accompanied by a summary of the nominated candidate's qualifications and experience.

Nominations for Bureau Members shall be invited electronically with a call for submission of nominations, followed by a two-week period for the receipt of nominations. The list of nominees will then be circulated electronically, followed by a two-week period for casting votes. At the close of polls, nominees with the majority of votes shall become the Bureau Members.

The first election shall be called by the foundation Co-Presidents in 2008, and thereafter, by the Secretary General of the committee.

The election will be held in time to conclude before the annual meeting held in association with the ICOMOS General Assembly. It may be held by verifiable postal or electronic vote under the supervision of a neutral party appointed by the Bureau, or in the first instance, by the Interim Management Committee. Written proxy votes may be admitted following due verification processes.

4.6 Annual Report: The Bureau shall report annually to the members of the Committee and to the Scientific Council and the Executive Committee of ICOMOS. This report shall include a list of members, the minutes of meetings of the Committee and of the Bureau, reports on the activities conducted by the Committee and progress made in respect of its Triennial Action Plan.

4.7 Triennial Action Plan: In the year of the ICOMOS General Assembly, Bureau shall draw up a Triennial Action Plan indicating a clear and precise set of goals for the coming three-year period to be approved by the Committee and forwarded to the Executive Committee of ICOMOS at least three months prior to the date of the ICOMOS General Assembly.

The Action Plan will include training initiatives in relation to Twentieth Century Heritage and opportunities for associate members and young professionals to develop their specialist knowledge and competency in Twentieth Century Heritage conservation.

4.8 Secretariat: The Secretariat or seat of the Committee shall be located in the country of which one of the members of the Bureau is a resident. The Secretariat will maintain the archives, service the Bureau, disseminate information and manage the website and list serve of the committee.

4.9 Languages: The working languages of the Committee are English and French.

4.10 Website: The committee will maintain a website, linked to the ICOMOS website.

Article 5: Finances

5.1 Funding: The activities of the Committee shall be financed by funds allocated by ICOMOS, by funds obtained by the Committee on its own initiative from international and national organizations including ICOMOS National Committees, and by funds from any other source provided by way of gift, bequest or sponsorship towards the achievement of the aims and objectives of the Committee.

5.2 Members' Funding: The members of the Committee including the Bureau shall themselves obtain the funds necessary to ensure their own participation in the activities of the Committee, especially their presence at meetings. As a general rule, ISC work is entirely voluntary.

5.3 Budget: The Treasurer shall draw up a triennial budget and financial plan to be approved by the Committee and shall maintain an appropriate record of all committee financial transactions, prepare an annual statement, and Treasurer's report.

Article 6: Miscellaneous

6.1 Administration: If required, the Committee shall conform to the legal, administrative and financial requirements of the country where its seat is located.

6.2 Amendment of Statutes: Proposals for the amendment of the statutes may be made by the Bureau or by a 2/3 majority of the National Committee designated expert members of the Committee. Revised statutes will then be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS.

6.3 Eger-Xi'an Principles: Any interpretation of these statutes should be made in accordance with the Statutes of ICOMOS and the Eger-Xi'an Principles. Any disputes over the interpretation of the statutes shall be arbitrated by the Executive Committee of ICOMOS.

6.4 ISC Dissolution: In case of dissolution of the Committee, the management of the assets of the former Committee will be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS.

6.5 Approval of Statutes: The Statutes enter into force with approval of the committee proposal by the Executive Committee of ICOMOS.

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