

ICOMOS TWENTIETH CENTURY HERITAGE  
INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY 7 JULY 2009, 9 AM - 12 PM  
SYDNEY OPERA HOUSE, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA  
FINAL MINUTES

## 1.0 WELCOME

1.1 The President, Sheridan Burke (Australia), welcomed attendees to the meeting. Sheridan welcomed participants and thanked Richard Evans CEO Sydney Opera House who facilitated venues for Unloved Modern conference at the Opera House and will host lunch and tour today.

Members introduced themselves and an attendance list was circulated by Secretary.

1.2 ICOMOS and ISC20C officers present included: ICOMOS President, Gustavo Araoz (USA); Vice-President, Gunny Harboe (USA); Vice-President, Susan MacDonald (Australia); Vice-President, Fernando Espinosa de los Monteros (Spain); Laura Robinson (South Africa); Secretary General, Kyle Normandin (USA).

Members and ISC20C partners present included: Louise Cox (President UIA); Helen Lardner (TICCIH); Maristella Casciato (President Docomomo International); David Look (ICOMOS ISCARSAH); Dinu Bumbaru (Heritage Montreal, Canada); Pamela Jerome (ICOMOS Scientific Council - USA); Susan Macintyre Tamwoy, (President Australia ICOMOS); Rachel Jackson (Australia); Britt Wisth (Sweden); Kristal Buckley (Australia)

Apologies Received: Christiane Schmuckle Mollard (France); Jorg Haspel (Germany); Kristal Buckley, (ICOMOS VP - Australia); Enrique De Anda Alanis (Mexico); Bernard Furrer (Switzerland); Sandra Uskovic (Croatia); Christine Madrid French (USA); Enrique Madia (USA); Modern Asia Architecture Network.

1.3 Rachel Jackson and Kyle Normandin kindly took minutes

## 2.0 MINUTES QUEBEC

Accepted. Louise Cox/Laura Robinson

## 3.0 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 **Statutes:** Sheridan Burke (SB) provided a brief background to the formation of the ISC on 20<sup>th</sup> century heritage and follow-through on meeting minutes from the last meeting in Quebec were presented and passed around by Kyle Normandin (KN). SB noted that matters arising for the ISC20 are a result of growing interest in 20<sup>th</sup> century heritage

The ICOMOS Twentieth Century Heritage Revised Statutes originally dated October 2008 have been updated, drawing on comments from members and requirements of ICOMOS. The new version is dated June 2009. Copies for discussion which were circulated. Moved Helen Lardner and Gunny Harboe and accepted unanimously.

*ACTION: KN to circulate statutes to all members and add to website. SB to confirm updates accepted with Scientific Council.*

3.2 **Follow Up Quebec resolutions:ISC20C put three resolutions to the Quesbec GA.**

1. Twentieth Century Heritage at Risk: requested letters be sent re Russian Modernism, Gettysberg Cyclorama, Third Church of Christ Scientist, The Hangar, Augusta Sicily, Ronchamp Chapel, France to respective national governments. All sent.
2. Heritage Alerts Concept offered to ICOMOS generally. No action reported by ICOMOS Secretariat
3. World Heritage. Thematic study and comparative advice. ISC20C to provide brief and final advice (afternoon workshop)

#### 4.0 **PRESIDENT'S REPORT- Gustavo Araoz**

ICOMOS President Gustavo was introduced by SB and the President provided a statement on current issues facing ICOMOS.

Gustavo congratulated ISC20C on introducing the Heritage Alert system. He noted that the Heritage Alerts should be brought into interdisciplinary forum of all ICS's; it was noted that the ISC20C should be brought to the fore on this initiative. Gustavo highlighted his concern about contradictions in the ICOMOS 'accepted' doctrines and theories and discussion at international level regarding management of change within various levels of heritage protection, opening discussion through all ISCs and NCs on the future of ICOMOS doctrine and practice.

Discussion included application of the World Heritage operational guidelines- Gustavo emphasized that there must be more transparency within ICOMOS and initiatives which everyone is working on. He also added that an openness has been encouraged of ICOMOS World Heritage Panel and for the structure for managing Outstanding Universal Value (OUV)- and for the fabric and intangible based items which should be promoted and allow for change.

Gustavo outlined that ICOMOS is forming a relationship with 'World Monuments Fund'( WMF) – which is in midst of major transformation. New organizational members, Lisa Ackerman and Erica Avrami are making significant changes. Awards are being implemented and an incentive programme. It is noted that WMF prefers working in partnership with ICOMOS – as one organisation with experts. It should be noted that WMF has a rather large distribution area and profile which is valuable to ICOMOS and that can assist in the collaboration of initiatives and projects.

*Action: KN to ask WMF if they plan to ask ISC20C for evaluation of 20th Century heritage applications. Also, the ISC20C would like to inquire if additional time will be provided for more feedback during the next application review process and, how will the information be assessed and disseminated by WMF.*

4.1 GA reported on ongoing progress regarding ICOMOS membership database being developed via Benedicte. SB has reminded Benedicte that ISC20C has offered to provide a trial database entry.

*Action: SB follow up with Benedicte again, GA also do so.*

#### 5.0 **PRESIDENTS REPORT Sheridan Burke**

**5.1 Annual report 2008/9:** SB submitted the ISC20C Annual Report 2008/ 2009 to the ICOMOS Secretariat in Paris and circulated copies (Refer website). SB congratulated members on their activity and participation and noted that the range and opportunities for ISC20C involvements are many, but our resources are small, so we need to be selective in our activity focus and partner with other organisations to optimise impact.

The ongoing lack of Secretariat support for ISC20C and absence of a Treasurer meant our financial resources are minimal, and tend to be provided by individual Bureau members, which is

appreciated but not tenable in the long term. However, an ISC20C account has been opened via the ICOMOS Secretariat in Paris.

**5.2 WMF:** SB noted the recent flurry of activity following World Monuments Fund request for ISC20C input and proposed that in future the Secretary General KN would co-ordinate ISC20C management of this effort, to ensure consistency. The importance of ISC20C speaking officially via the President and Secretary General was stressed, to avoid confusion with the opinion of individual members.

**5.3 ULM Conference:** SB also appreciated the extensive support of ISC20C members in the following ULM conference over the next few days, as speakers and participants, hoping that the social programme, tours and scientific programme will be enjoyed by all. She noted that the papers would be available on the Australia ICOMOS website

*Action: KN to post the ISC20C Annual Report 2008/2009 to the website.*

## **6.0 Secretary General Report: Kyle Normandin**

**6.1 Membership** now totals 22 Voting Members, 31 Expert Members, 25 Associate Members, and 6 institutional partners. He noted that the evaluation of the Expert member category will need to follow the statutes closely. For example, each member who is considered for expert membership into the ISC20C will need to provide an updated curriculum vitae (CV), a candidate personal details and a letter of support from their country. KN noted that new membership is encouraged, especially for younger members which includes targeting early career professionals.

It was noted by President Gustavo Araoz that every ICOMOS ISC committee will have access to the ICOMOS database (within a year).

Laura noted that the membership proposals from South Africa would be forwarded.

*ACTION: KN to update and verify membership database*

**6.2 Website Development:** KN reported that meeting minutes from the Quebec 2008 meeting have been posted on the website, including notes and related documents. In addition, information and weblinks to ICOMOS Australia conference 2009 have been posted. Additional types of information and further development of the web site with graphics including upgraded graphics should be discussed further. For example, if there are additional joint group meeting collaborations, additional weblinks and information postings could be linked (eg ISCARSAH). KN inquired if the committee would be willing to provide recommendations for suitable people to work on the website? For example, members and the bureau committee contact information should be posted on the website as long as permission from the membership is provided.

SB feels this is one of our most important activities in terms of membership support and maximising PR and requires time invested

*Action: KN and MC proposed that an ISC20C web-site committee be developed to look into various possibilities for additional development and maintenance of the website.*

Online publications: KN noted that all online publications need to be registered with ISBN numbers. A discussion occurred on the number of available publications which could be provided on the website.

*Action: Helen Lardner volunteered to check it out what the process includes for registration of online publications and ISBN registration.*

**6.3 Treasurer's position:** Fernando Espinosa de los Monteros nominated as VP and New Treasurer to the ISC20C Bureau.

*Action: S/FE Establish contact ISC20C account and ALL consider opportunities for fund raising for ISC20C*

## **7.0 SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL REPORT: PAMELA JEROME**

All statutes have come in and have been reviewed except 2. At this time, there are 28 represented ISCs which are in compliance with the current statutes for council reports submitted.

Currently, there is a Scientific Council symposium planned on the 6 October 2009 in Malta. The topic of the program to be examined this year will focus on technological change. In 2008, the focus was on climate change and in 2010, the focus will be on social change. For the Scientific Council and symposium, there will be a total of 12 papers which are being presented. Council meeting to be held on 7th and 8th October 2009, Malta. *Action: SB to attend.*

PJ noted that summaries of previous workshops in Quebec are now posted on the ICOMOS website.

GA noted that ICOMOS will play a role in the development by UNESCO of the Historic Urban Landscape policy.

## **8.0 ISC20C PROGRAM/ EVENTS TRIENNIAL WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE:**

### **8.1 World Heritage Related Activities**

A workshop entitled World Heritage and the Places of the 20th Century will be held this afternoon, second on this topic held by ISC20C. The meeting will recap on the issues the key organizations present (ICOMOS, Docomomo, UIA, TICIH) are dealing with in supporting the conservation of twentieth-century heritage places and discuss recent activities and advice to the World Heritage Committee on 20<sup>th</sup> century heritage.

Two draft papers have been provided in advance of the meeting which address questions and issues raised by the World heritage Committee in relation to 20C heritage:

1. Draft guidelines for preparing a thematic framework for nominations to the World Heritage List for 20<sup>th</sup> places, and
2. Draft paper on approaches to comparative analysis.

The outcomes proposed for the Sydney workshop include the formation of a sub-committee (chaired by SM). to include ISC20 members, ICOMOS (DB, SB) Docomomo (MC), TICCIH (HL) and a UIA rep to

-develop the thematic framework for Twentieth century heritage places to be agreed by the ISC20C (and hopefully our member organisations);

-draft a brief on how to proceed to establish the global themes and seek funding for an independent consultants work as agreed at the previous workshop in October 2007.

- approve the draft position paper on comparative analysis can for passing to the ICOMOS World Heritage Working group (Chair Kristal Buckley) and Regina Durighello for comment and use. It could be repackaged and finalised in a similar format to otherISC20 papers following their comment.

**8.2 Next ISC Meeting 2010:** Fernando Espinosa de los Monteros (FM) proposed that the next meeting be held at the University of Madrid during the one week summer course in July. FM is currently seeking funding sources with the local municipalities and university to support the next ISC20 meeting.

Potential Meeting 2011 KN reported that there is a possibility to carry out a combined meeting with ISCARSAH in Cuba in 2010 or 2011. KN noted that in speaking with the ISCARSAH committee, that they may be planning a meeting in Havana and they are interested in carrying out another partnership meeting with the ISC20C committee similar to the meeting in Chicago 2007.

8.3 ISC20C activity with General Assembly 2011- All parties discussed the next GA in Iran October 2011. At the moment, the planning is 'fluid' and may move continue to move in this direction while taking into account religious holidays of Ramadan and Yom Kippur. *Action GA to keep ISC20C updated and provide contacts to assist in organising a meeting in Iran*

8.4 Emerging Issues for ISC20C: SM and SB discussed issues related to the 'green movement' including possible conflicts related to the conservation of 20<sup>th</sup> C architecture. Sustainability and Twentieth Century Heritage are current topics which should be further discussion, including information disseminated on current scientific research at an international level. Committee members concurred that this is an urgent matter and should be a topic for consideration in the near future.

*Action: SM to consider opportunities and actions*

## **9.0 INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS:**

The committee discussed ways to improve the sharing of information and collaboration with partner organizations. All parties discussed the need to continue to promote the sharing of combined efforts and to ensure that all of the shared information is clear and concise prior to dissemination by the committee

9.1 Docomomo International - GH/ KN/ SM: Many of the committee members noted that there is a commonality of issues which are shared between Docomomo and ICOMOS. Committee members including Maristella are certainly committed to furthering this discussion at the Docomomo meeting. Maristella noted that they are looking for a shared focus with ICOMOS including a common language and strong statement about 20C heritage. Shared actions are needed as wide as possible. For example, there should be a possibility of more shared actions and tasks that can result from the 'Heritage Alerts' program.

Maristella noted that the Docomomo headquarters will move from Paris to Barcelona where Mies Foundation will serve as the new office for DOCOMOMO International. The Mies Foundation will continue to work on the journal for Docomomo which will make a significant difference. For example, one of the next Journal issues could focus on the complexity of issues surrounding the conservation of the World Heritage Site of the *Villa Tugendhat House in Brno, The Czech Republic, and focus on issues of materiality.*

*ACTION: Maristella indicated that she would work to improve communications with ISC20C*

9.2 ISCARSAH - GH and KN discussion the common focus which is shared over technological issues and materiality that could be discussed with ISCARSAH similar to the symposium in Chicago in 2007 – eg. 'Concrete' is a universal issue.

9.3 Union of International Architects (UIA): Louise Cox (LC) reported on the register of 20C architecture which was started in 2000 in collaboration with Docomomo. It may be possible to have an agreement with ICOMOS as well. At the moment, the International Union of Architects (UIA) is hosting an international competition inviting architecture students to create image based models of significant works of the 20th century from around the world. Students are to represent any architectural realisation built between 1901 and 2000. Their architectural descriptions could be designed as panoramic images or image based models of the building in its current state. The international jury will be Chaired by Docomomo President, Ana Tostoes and

the jury will include UIA President Louise Cox, Director of the Grand Paris international workshop Bertrand Lemoine, Director of the UMR 694 MAP-Gamsau laboratory at the CNRS Michel Florenzano, and Director of the Autodesk product Laurent Praden.. As well, there is a heritage project for architecture students with awards attached.

The UIA is also in the midst of a discussion on buffer zones in relation to historic urban landscapes and this is a very important discussion as it relates to the protection of world heritage sites such as the case in Dresden bridge case in Germany.

LC noted that the next UIA Conference will occur 25 September through 1 October 2011 in Tokyo, Japan. The UIA is currently linking the conference into its website.

9.4 TICCH- Helen Lardner (HL) reported on the International Committee for the conservation of Industrial heritage. At the moment, there is Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with ICOMOS ISC20C that the committee should be consulted on a regular basis together with TICCH. TICCH noted that they have a single industry group mentality which is also structured by country. HL noted that TICCH considers that many industrial places are the most identified heritage places at risk. HL noted that the ISC20C Heritage Alerts program should identify and provide more emphasis and co-ordinated approach relative to these heritage sites.

*ACTION Helen Offered to check updating process for the MOU and advise ISC20C of potential collaborations.*

9.5 Association for Preservation Technology (APTI) - SM and KCN reported that there is a new Modern Materials technical committee created by the Association for Preservation Technology (APTI). While the focus will primarily be on 20C heritage and materials at the upcoming conference in Los Angeles in October 2009. It was noted that some members of the ISC20C will be at the meeting.

#### **Lunch break and tour.**

**10.0 PROJECT ASSIGNMENT REPORTS***Heritage Alerts Report:* Laura Robinson and Gunny Harboe reported that active development of the Heritage Alerts project is underway and that a sub-committee of members able to be active in quick response is needed to carry out the program.

The last meeting in Quebec included review on an outline and template for the Heritage Alerts program.. It is estimate that a minimum of 5 sub-committee members are needed in order to carry out actions dealing with Heritage Alerts program.

GH reported that Local Advocacy issues, timing, the right people, positive results can occur however, a clear process is needed.

Asplund Stockholm City Library - A Heritage Alert was proposed and presented by Britt Wisth (BW) from Sweden. BW has utilized the 20C 'assessment template' which she found very helpful and successful for assembling the information required to identify the alert. BW indicated that another line needed in template to include the 'name' of building.

BW provided an overall report and status of the Asplund Library. BW requested that the ISC20C take action to comment on the Asplund Library and provide awareness based on the the flawed competition process which took place to annex a new building addition to the existing library. BW reported that the situation is that three library buildings will be impacted.

BW recommended that the ISC20C engage with the Librarian Assoc. and the UIA to provide a Heritage Alert.

*Action: Dinu, Pamela and Britt volunteered to work together to refine the report (tomorrow 8<sup>th</sup> July 2009) and to circulate the information to start a Heritage Alert from the ISC20C.*

10.1 ICOMOS Heritage at Risk (H@R report): Michael Petzet has reported that a status report is needed for ISC20C to comment on.

10.2 MAP 20. Dinu gave an outline of Sandra Uskovic's work MAP 20. Dinu to check if Sandra is happy for work to be made available and investigate how we can move this project along- perhaps a website upload, but need to check the copyright issues

*ACTION DB and SU to consider and report back*

10.3 Younger members: LR agreed to champion the cause. S B noted specific event planned with ULM

10.4 National Listings: needs a champion

10.5 Oral History: needs a champion

11.0 **NEXT MEETING:**

Madrid, Spain - July 2010 FE

**Documents circulated:**

Draft Action Plan

2008 Annual Report

JULY 2009 ISC20C Membership List

20<sup>th</sup> Century Heritage International Scientific Committee Statutes July 2009

## 2008 Annual report of

### ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Twentieth Century Heritage (ISC20C)

#### Meetings

The ISC20C held its annual meeting with the elections for a president and board members in September 2008. A triennial action plan was finalised.

ISC20C participated actively in the Advisory Committee meeting held in Quebec, presenting a paper on its Heritage Alerts proposal, which was endorsed and subsequently became the subject of a resolution of the GA.

#### Seminars

The committee organised a workshop for participants at the ICOMOS General Assembly on world heritage issues impacting Twentieth Century heritage places and resolved to prepare a discussion paper on these matters and to commission a thematic research study.

A major project in 2008 has been planning for the (Un)loved Modern conference to be held in Sydney in July 2009, a joint initiative of the ISC20C with Australia ICOMOS, Docomomo, APT and UAI.

#### Activities and Programmes

Since the ISC20C meeting in Chicago in 2007, a programme of **Heritage Alerts** has been in development by members Chris Madrid French and Enrique Maida with Sheridan Burke, which was presented to the ICOMOS Advisory committee and endorsed by a resolution of the General Assembly to be piloted for use by the committee and possibly ICCOMOS more widely.

ISC20C participated in the assessment of Twentieth Century nominations received by the **World Monuments Fund**. The committee also developed a nomination to the World Monuments Watch, the Michael Reece Hospital in Chicago.

The **ISC C20 statutes** have been revised in accordance with the Xi'an/Eger Principles with assistance from ICLAFI and were ratified in September 2008, and submitted for Executive Committee approval.

Since its meeting in Moscow in April 2007, the ISC20C continues to actively advocate the conservation of Moscow modernist heritage via a declaration co-sponsored by the ISC20C, with Docomomo and UIA. ISC20C has supported the development of a supportive relationship, yet to be defined between ICOMOS and Moscow on this subject, and has provided comment on a potential agreement to the ICOMOS Executive Committee.

ISC20C has provided advice to ICOMOS on **world heritage nomination missions** and policy development relating to twentieth century heritage properties and the world heritage convention. A draft framework for considering twentieth century heritage nominations to the world heritage list & their management was provided to ICOMOS for the World Heritage Committee meeting in July in Quebec

### **Publications**

The ISC20C is internally circulating a discussion paper on world heritage matters which we will eventually publish on our website. ISC20C has developed its own website <http://.icomos-isc20c.org/>

### **Institutional members and partners**

**A formal agreement has been entered into with UIA on collaborating on issues of mutual interest in twentieth century heritage conservation, largely through the ongoing commitment of ISC20C member Louise Cox, President UIA.**

The Istanbul principles were agreed with Docomomo in 2002.

ISC20C members include

TICCIH representative: Helen Lardner

Docomomo representative: president

UIA representative: Louise Cox, UIA President

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**1.d. Website of the ISC, of any:** <http://.icomos-isc20c.org/>

**2.a. Date adoption of Statutes (and revision if any):** 2005, revised 2008

**2.b. Date revision of Statutes in application of Eger/Xi'an principles:**

September 2008

**3. Date and location of the 2008 business meeting(s):**

28 September 2008

**4.a. Date and place of last elections:**

September 2008

**4.b. Officers elected:**

**PRESIDENT: SHERIDAN BURKE (AUSTRALIA) 2008-2011**

**SECRETARY GENERAL AND WEBMASTER: KYLE NORMANDIN (USA) 2008-2011**

**VICE PRESIDENTS**

**BERNARD FURRER (SWITZERLAND) 2008-2011**

**SUSAN MACDONALD (USA) 2008-2011**

**ENRIQUE DE ANDA ANALIS (MEXICO) 2008-2011**

**4.c. Non-elected candidates:**

NIL

**5.a. Total number in 2008 for each of the ISC member categories (expert, associate, honorary and institutional members):**

22 Voting Members; 30 Full Members; 23 Associate Members; 0 honorary; 0 institutional

**5.b. Number of new members in 2008, for each of the above mentioned ISC member categories:**

Our membership records are presently under review.

**6.a. ISC Representative(s) at the Advisory Committee meeting in Quebec (October 2008):**

President: Sheridan Burke (Australia) 2008-2011

**6.b. ISC Representative(s) at other ICOMOS or international meetings in 2008:**

A wide range of specialist papers and advice was presented by ISC20C office bearers and members at international meetings including:

- Asia Pacific Regional Meeting, Hangzhou, China. June 2008 Sheridan Burke
- Australia ICOMOS meeting: the world heritage work of ICOMOS, Sydney Sheridan Burke, 2008
- Transmitting the Spirit of Place in the Age of Web Wisdom? ICOMOS General Assembly Quebec, Sheridan Burke October 2008
- Heritage Alerts project, ICOMOS Advisory Committee Quebec, October 2008 Sheridan Burke
- Colombia University, New York, USA Kyle Normandin, Enrique de Anda Analis

**7.a. Date adoption of Scientific Work Programme**

Triennial Action Plan October 2008

**7.b. Suggestions for new initiatives:**

ICOMOS *Heritage Alerts* project

**7.c. Partnerships with National Committees and affinity organizations:**

Developing 2009 conference and meeting with Docomomo, UAI, APT and Australia ICOMOS in Sydney July 2009

**8.a. Name and title of the person completing this form:**

Sheridan Burke M.ICOMOS

President, Twentieth Century Heritage ISC

**8.b. Date submitted:**

1 June 2009