A strategic approach to the nomination of archaeological sites to the WHL

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Overview of ICAHM Activities and Programs in Support of our Expanded Strategic Role

- Status of ICAHM reorganization
- ICAHM communication
- ICAHM activities archaeology and world heritage
ICAHM Structure as of October 2009

ICAHM Organization Chart

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WHS Nomination Review Committee

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Larry Coben (USA)
ICAHM regions
Statement of ICAHM Function

- To establish, promulgate, and encourage adherence to high standards and best practices for a) management of archaeological sites and resources, b) archaeological research, and c) aspects of cultural resource management.

- To develop and enhance a network of professional archaeologists and archaeological site managers for the purpose of transmitting theoretical and practical skills and encouraging high standards and best practices for a) management of archaeological sites and resources, b) archaeological research, and c) aspects of cultural resource management.
Statement of ICAHM Function

- To organize conferences and workshops, to produce publications, websites, and other mechanisms utilizing a variety of media to promulgate high standards and best practices for a) management of archaeological sites and resources, b) archaeological research, and c) aspects of cultural resource management.

- To provide the best qualified ICAHM Expert Members for desk audits and site visits to archaeological sites that have been nominated for inscription on the World Heritage List.
Statement of ICAHM Function

- To encourage the nomination of appropriate archaeological sites to the World Heritage List, and to assist in nominations by contributing to comparative studies, giving advise about the preparation of nomination dossiers, management plans or other relevant steps.

Welcome

The International Scientific Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM) advises ICOMOS and the World Heritage Committee on matters that pertain to all aspects of the management of archaeological sites and landscapes. These include formulating and propagating standards and best practices for both archaeological research and cultural resource management. Read more about ICAHM.

(ICAHM is an ICOMOS Scientific Committee. To visit the ICOMOS web site, click here.)

Message from ICAHM Co-Presidents

08.23.09 - In the spirit of the international cooperation that is essential to our work, and in cognizance of the magnitude of work that lies before us, the ICOMOS International Scientific Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM) now has two Presidents. We have been elected for a three-year term, during which our primary goal will be to reshape ICAHM along the lines set out by the Eger-Xian Principles. The Eger-Xian Principles enlarge the role that scientific committees play in ICOMOS.

ICAHM will be especially busy. Of the over 650 sites now on the World Heritage List, two-thirds were inscribed because of universally significant cultural values. Virtually all of these contain archaeological sites, landscapes, or other archaeological materials. Read the complete...
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Update on special activities

- Contributing to training of military organizations on sensitivity of cultural resources
- Setting up a program to report on archaeological World Heritage sites (using holiday and other site visits by ICAHM experts)
- Centres of expertise for technologies that can be utilized in monitoring
- Economic Dimensions of Listing study
- Assistance to nomination of archaeological sites to World Heritage List: the Africa Initiative
Avoiding Damage to Cultural Properties by Militaries

ICAHM assistance to international efforts for the training of militaries in avoiding damage to sites and cultural objects

in 2010: Comer and Willems on Advisory Board

Cultural Property Protection in Times of Conflict

The relevance and practical implementation of Cultural Property Protection (CPP) and its connection with the Comprehensive Approach during military operations.

Seminar
Date: 25 March 2009.
Economic Dimensions of Inscribing Archaeological Sites

BBL co-sponsored by the Cultural Heritage and Sustainable Tourism Thematic Group and the Local Economic Development Thematic Group at the Urban Anchor.


Monday, September 28, 2009
12:30 - 2:00 pm
Room MCB-100
The World Bank, Washington, DC

Speaker
Professor Brent Lane, University of North Carolina's Kenan-Flagler Business School

Chair
Stephen Karam, Lead Urban Economist, FEUUR

Since October 2008 Professor Brent Lane of the University of North Carolina's Kenan-Flagler Business School has been working with the International Scientific Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM) on ways to better measure and enhance local economic impacts of World Heritage Sites (WHS). The outcome of this work will be applications of sustainable tourism and economic development practices that enhance the local economic potential of archaeological World Heritage Sites in targeted developing countries.
Economic Dimensions of Inscribing Archaeological Sites

- Examination of economic benefit of archaeological site preservation and designation of archaeological sites as World Heritage Sites (Brent Lane)
- Preliminary results suggest some points to include in archaeological heritage management best practices
Assistance with WHL Nominations: Poverty Point - USA
Assistance with WHL Nominations: Jomon Culture sites - Japan
Assistance with WHL Nominations:
Roman Limes – Lower Germany

- Examination of potential by comparative studies of regional specialists and overviews of what is already available
- Identification of tentative list process at the national level of individual states
- Communication about realistic options
- Advice on preparing nomination dossiers and help in finding competent and cost-effective assistance in preparing dossiers and management plans