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MUTUAL TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC ASSISTANCE THROUGH THE POOLING AND EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCES, AND THE RESULTS OF RESEARCH PROJECTS:

Council of Europe Meetings of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention and discussion forums

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Summary

The European Landscape Convention states:

"Article 8 – Mutual assistance and exchange of information

The Parties undertake to co-operate in order to enhance the effectiveness of measures taken under other articles of this Convention, and in particular:

a. to render each other technical and scientific assistance in landscape matters through the pooling and exchange of experience, and the results of research projects;

b. to promote the exchange of landscape specialists in particular for training and information purposes;

c. to exchange information on all matters covered by the provisions of the Convention."

In accordance with the decisions of the Steering Committee for Cultural Heritage and Landscape $(CDPATEP)^{1}$ and the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), mutual assistance and exchange of information regarding the implementation of the Convention is done through:

- *the Council of Europe Conferences on the European Landscape Convention;*
- the Council of Europe Meetings of the workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention;
- the Meetings of the Working Groups;
- the Council of Europe Website and notably its Observatory on the European Landscape Convention, which contains: the Information System on the European Landscape Convention and its Glossary.

It is expected that discussion forums will be set up to complement the elements of the Website of the European Landscape Convention.

The Conference is invited to take note, on the discussion forums:

- that work is currently being carried out by the Secretariat with a view to establishing a platform on exchange of information taking into consideration the new technologies.

¹ 2nd Plenary Session of the CDPATEP (Strasbourg, 12-13 May 2009 - CDPATEP (2009) 20), Item 10 - Follow-up to the European Landscape Convention (5th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention, 30-31 March 2009) - [CDPATEP (2009) 7][Addendum : CEP-CDPATEP (2009) 19]: "...the Committee: ...adopted the Guiding Principles of the Information System of the European Landscape Convention (see Doc. CDPATEP (2009) 19, pp. 57-63).