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MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE ON “THE EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION”

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PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES 2007

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The Members of the Steering Committee for Cultural Heritage (CDPAT), the Committee of Senior Officials of the European Conference of Ministers responsible for Regional Planning (CSO-CEMAT) together with the governmental officials responsible for implementing the European Landscape Convention and other partners are asked to examine proposals for the 2007 Work Programme of the European Landscape Convention and to indicate whether they wish to make voluntary contributions towards some of the activities mentioned.

**PROPOSALS FOR THE 2007 WORK PROGRAMME
OF THE EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION**

(and plans for some activities over the period 2008-2009)

The layout is based on the articles of the European Landscape Convention. Activities with an asterisk will be developed according to voluntary contributions received or to sponsorship. Activities not carried out in 2007 may be postponed until 2008 or 2009. Consultants will be engaged to carry out the studies.

Activities for 2007 [2008-2009]	Ordinary budget of the Council of Europe for 2007 (in Euros)¹	Voluntary contributions requested for 2007 (in Euros)
I. NATIONAL MEASURES (Chapter II of the Convention)		
A. GENERAL MEASURES (Article 5 of the Convention)		
<i>a. Legal recognition of landscapes</i>		
– <u>Updating of the study “The law applicable to landscapes in comparative and international law”*</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> update the study carried out under the aegis of the CoE Congress (document CG (4) 6 of 5 May 1997, Appendix II), translation and publication.		5000
<i>b. Definition and establishment of landscape policies</i>		
– <u>Meeting for the preparation of the Orientations for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention and preparation of the document</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> establish Orientations for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention.	2400 2000	
– <u>Conference on the implementation of the Orientations for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention (Rome)*</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> Conference on the implementation of the Orientations for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention.		9000
<i>c. Establishment of procedures for participation</i>		
– <u>Geographical extension of the study on participation*</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> extend the application of the “Comparative study of legislation on public participation in landscape matters in the context of implementation of the European Landscape Convention” to the states not included yet (T-FLOR 3 (2004) 6).		
<i>d. Integration of landscapes in national policies</i>		
– <u>Study on “Expansion of industrial zones and out-of-town shopping centres: solutions for the landscape”*</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> study the existing situation in various Council of Europe member states and make proposals for implementing Article 5.d of the Convention concerning the integration of landscape into regional and town planning policies.		4000

¹ These figures do not include the voluntary contributions already received.

– <u>Study on “Landscape, energy and windmills”*</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> make proposals for implementing Article 5.d of the Convention concerning the integration of landscape into policies with possible direct or indirect impact on landscape.		4000
– <u>Study on “Landscape and billposting”*</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> study existing legislation in various Council of Europe member states and make proposals for implementing Article 5.d of the Convention concerning the integration of landscape into policies with possible direct or indirect impact on landscape.		4000
B. SPECIFIC MEASURES (Article 6 of the Convention)		
a. Awareness-raising		
– <u>Special issue of the European Landscape and Heritage magazine NaturCulturoipa on “Rural vernacular housing, part of our landscape heritage”*</u> (No. 104) <u>Terms of reference:</u> to examine the importance of vernacular housing in landscape.		20 000 (Voluntary contribution of 7886.87 Euros received at the beginning of 2006)
– <u>Special issue of the European Landscape and Heritage magazine NaturCulturoipa on “Public spaces and landscape”*</u> (for 2008) (No. 105) <u>Terms of reference:</u> to examine the role of public spaces and public life in relation to landscape.		
– <u>Special issue of the European Landscape and Heritage magazine NaturCulturoipa on “Cross-cultural landscapes”*</u> (for 2009) (No. 106) <u>Terms of reference:</u> to look at how landscape contributes to the formation of local cultures and is a basic component of Europe’s cultural heritage, helping to consolidate the European identity (preamble to the European Landscape Convention)		
– <u>Project of International Heritage Photographic Experience (IHPE) for youth on the monument in the landscape*</u>		
– <u>Diaporama on the European Landscape Convention*</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> set up a diaporama on the Convention illustrating the content of the main articles.		
– <u>Project on the Sound Column of the European Landscape, in cooperation with the Fondation CRT*</u>		
b. Training and education		
– <u>Study on “Landscape and education of children”</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> make proposals for implementing Article 5.d of the Convention concerning the integration of landscape theme into educational policies.	3000	
– <u>Training: landscape architects (in association with ECLAS)*</u> <u>Terms of reference:</u> assess the current situation as regards training for landscape architects in Council of Europe member states and make proposals. Other professional sectors could be studied later on.		
c. Identification and assessment		
(See: – Document in preparation “Orientations for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention”	In progress	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting of European Landscape Convention Workshops - Conference of the Council of Europe on the European Landscape Convention - Other meetings) 		
d. Landscape quality objectives		
(See: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Document in preparation “Orientations for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention” - Meeting of European Landscape Convention Workshops - Conference of the Council of Europe on the European Landscape Convention - Other meetings) 	In progress	
e. Implementation		
(See: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Document in preparation “Orientations for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention” - Meeting of European Landscape Convention Workshops - Conference of the Council of Europe on the European Landscape Convention - Other meetings) 	In progress	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <u>Local Landscape Management Template</u> Terms of reference: explain to elected representatives how to take into consideration landscape in planning operations. 	3000	
II. INTERNATIONAL POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES (Article 7 of the Convention)		
A. MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION (Article 8 of the Convention)		
a. Mutual assistance		
States willing to give assistance to other states are invited to inform the Secretariat. An information seminar on the Convention has already been held in the following states:		
– Support for the development of a national strategy in Armenia*		6000
– Contribution to the international Conference “Sustainable development. Environment, society and Man”, Russian Federation*		
– Support for the development of a project in Albania*		6000
b. Exchange of information		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <u>Preparation of the 6th meeting of the Workshops for the implementation of the Convention, “Landscape, agriculture and rural heritage”</u> Participants: Contracting Parties, observer states, qualified organisations and experts active in this field Venue: Sibiu, Romania 20-21 September 2007 Terms of reference: share experience (good and bad practice) in the area in question. 	9100 + interpretation	3000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <u>Network of landscape universities and centres</u> Terms of reference: continue building the network of landscape universities and centres on the European Landscape Convention web site. 	In progress	
– <u>Compendium of good experience relating to landscapes</u>	In progress	

Terms of reference: gather information on positive experience in the field of landscape protection, management and planning, to be submitted when organising the Council of Europe Landscape Award.		
– <u>Meeting on landscape and material and intangible heritage – legal aspects</u> (in partnership with the CEDE)*		
B. TRANSFRONTIER LANDSCAPES (Article 9 of the Convention)		
– <u>Study on “Transfrontier landscapes”</u> Terms of reference: make proposals for implementing Article 9 of the Convention concerning transfrontier landscapes	In progress	
– <u>Landscape of the Tisza/Tisa river basin*</u> Terms of reference: support for the development of a transfrontier strategy between Ukraine, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania and Serbia and Montenegro.		3000
– <u>Landscape of the Danube delta river basin*</u> Terms of reference: support for the development of a transfrontier strategy between Moldova, Romania and Ukraine.		3000
C. MONITORING OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION (Article 10 of the Convention)		
– <u>Conference of the Council of Europe on the European Landscape Convention</u> Participants: all Contracting Parties. Observers: all the observer states and qualified organisations active in this field. Venue: Strasbourg, 2 days, 11 persons and 5 consultants paid Terms of reference: promote the Convention.	6400 7600 + <i>interpretation</i>	
D. LANDSCAPE AWARD OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE (Article 11 of the Convention)		
– <u>1st Session of the Council of Europe Landscape Award</u> Terms of reference: launch the 1 st session of the Council of Europe Landscape Award (2008).	In progress	
III. INFORMATION MEETINGS ON THE CONVENTION		
– <u>Information Seminar on the European Landscape Convention</u> Participants: all Contracting Parties Observers: all observer states and qualified organisations active in this field. Venue: Cyprus, 3 experts paid, 2 days Terms of reference: inform the main players in the field of landscape of the objectives of the Convention.	2700	
– <u>Side Event on the European Landscape Convention</u> at the European Conference “An Environment for Europe”*		6000
IV. OPERATING EXPENSES		
Fixed appropriation to cover travel expenses to attend Convention meetings		
A. Chair expenses		
– <u>Fixed appropriation</u> to cover travel and/or subsistence expenses of the		4000

Chair, the former Chair or their representative after consulting the Council of Europe Secretariat.*		
<i>B. Representatives of certain central and eastern European states</i>		
– <u>Travel and subsistence expenses</u> incurred by representatives of certain Contracting Parties in central and eastern Europe in order to attend Convention meetings.*		5000
<i>C. Experts' and Secretariat travel</i>		
– <u>Travel and subsistence expenses</u> for experts to attend major meetings and expenses relating to Secretariat missions.*		3000
<i>D. Web site maintenance</i>	In progress	15000
<i>E. Proceedings of meetings of the European Landscape Convention Workshops and publication on European Landscape Convention reports</i>	6600	
<i>F. Information material on the Convention*</i>		
<i>Total</i>	42800 ²	100000 ³

² Budget allocated for European Landscape Convention Activities for 2007 under the Council of Europe's ordinary budget. This figure does not include postage, interpretation and translation expenses.

³ Figure for Projects 2005/GD4/VC/764 and 2005/GD4/VC/765.