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**COUNCIL OF EUROPE
EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION
11th COUNCIL OF EUROPE CONFERENCE ON
THE EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION**

**Statements from
International Non-governmental Organisations**

***CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE
CONVENTION EUROPEENNE DU PAYSAGE
11^e CONFERENCE DU CONSEIL DE L'EUROPE SUR
LA CONVENTION EUROPEENNE DU PAYSAGE***

***Interventions des
Organisations internationales non gouvernementales***

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Direction de la participation démocratique*

Summary

The Representatives of international non-governmental organisations are invited to send the written version of the address (2 min) they would like to deliver on the occasion of the 11th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention to the Secretariat of the Council of Europe of the Convention (E-mails: maguelonne.dejeant-pons@coe.int; susan.moller@coe).

Résumé

Les Représentants des organisations internationales non gouvernementales sont été invités à faire parvenir le texte écrit de l'intervention (2 min) qu'ils souhaiteraient faire à l'occasion de la 11^e Conférence du Conseil de l'Europe sur la Convention européenne du paysage au Secrétariat du Conseil de l'Europe de la Convention (E-mails : maguelonne.dejeant-pons@coe.int; susan.moller@coe).

The Conference is invited to:

- take note of the addresses presented by Representatives of international non-governmental organisations.

La Conférence est invitée :

- à prendre connaissance des interventions présentées par les représentants des organisations internationales non gouvernementales suivantes :

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ALLÉES / AVENUES

Mme Chantal PRADINES

Déléguée générale

**INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF CITY AND REGIONAL PLANNERS (ISOCARP) /
SOCIÉTÉ INTERNATIONALE POUR L'AMÉNAGEMENT DES VILLES ET DU
TERRITOIRE (ISOCARP)**

Mme Iamvi TOTSI

Membre de la Société internationale pour l'aménagement des villes et du territoire

**EUROPAE ARCHAEOLOGIAE CONCILIUM (EAC) /
CONSEIL ARCHEOLOGIQUE EUROPEEN (EAC)**

Mrs Ann DEGRAEVE

Vice-president

Mr Adrian OLIVIER

Chair of Historic Environment Forum Europae Archaeologiae Concilium (EAC)

EUROPARC FEDERATION / FEDERATION EUROPARC

Mr Hendrik R. OOSTERVELD

President Foundation EUROPARC Conference

Mrs Carol RITCHIE

Executive Director EUROPARC Federation

**EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF ARCHAEOLOGISTS (EAA) /
ASSOCIATION EUROPÉENNE DES ARCHÉOLOGUES (EAA)**

Mrs Eszter BANFFY

Incoming President, German Archaeological Institute

Mrs Sophie HÜGLIN

Representative of the Council of Europe Conference of INGOs

Dear ladies and gentlemen,

I am honoured to represent the Conference of INGOs together with Anna Sevortian at this Conference on the European Landscape Convention.

I am an archaeologist who is engaged in research and teaching in Switzerland, Germany, the United Kingdom and Austria. In 2014, I came into contact with the European Landscape Convention in the United Kingdom through its application in Historic Landscape Characterisation. This method is and taught and applied at the McCord Centre for Landscape at Newcastle University by Graham Fairclough, Sam Turner and their colleagues.

At the Conference of INGOs, I am the delegate of the European Association of Archaeologists. We were among the founding members of the new Thematic Committee "Environment, Climate Change, Heritage & Health under the lead of Carol Ritchie from EUROPARC. This Thematic Committee has the European Landscape Convention at its heart.

Regarding this Conference, I am looking forward contributing to the workshops. Also, I am excited in assisting in evaluating projects for the European Landscape Award, because here we often honour (and through this make visible and strengthen) the work of civil society organisations. My personal goal during the following years would be to convince more countries of the necessity and timeliness to

ratify the European Landscape Convention and here I think first and foremost about Germany and Austria.

Thank you for your attention – I am looking forward to work with you and serve civil society!

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**EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF GEOGRAPHERS
(EUROGEO) /
ASSOCIATION EUROPÉENNE DES GÉOGRAPHES
(EUROGEO)**

Mr Rafael de Miguel GONZÁLEZ

President of EUROGEO

Statement of EUROGEO to the 11th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention

EUROGEO is the European Association of Geographers, a membership-based professional society. The principal aims of EUROGEO are to advance the status of geography by organising conferences, undertaking research projects, producing scientific publications, supporting geographers in their jobs and careers, identifying and promoting good practice, and making recommendations to decision makers.

EUROGEO has more than 5,000 individual members from all European countries and beyond, and about 300 organisation members, including most University Geography Departments, National Geographical Societies and professional bodies. EUROGEO is the network of geographers in Europe, but other related fields like cartographers (GIS, remote sensing), urban planners, surveyors, environmentalists, and landscape professionals.

Since 1989 EUROGEO has participatory status in the Council of Europe, with an active participation at the Conference of INGO's, and in particular at the Democracy, Social Cohesion and Global Challenges Committee, and Education and Culture Committee. In 2017 UN ECOSOC granted EUROGEO special consultative status for United Nations. Since then, EUROGEO has been also an active member of the UN-Habitat system (Governing Council, World Urban Forum, World Urban Campaign, Habitat Professionals Forum), and particularly for the dissemination and implementation of the New Urban Agenda, which highlights the importance of landscape protection, management and planning for urban sustainable development.

Therefore, EUROGEO encourages to the States who signed and ratified the European Landscape Convention to strengthen links between geospatial technologies, citizenship education and landscape protection to raise global awareness on challenges like sustainable development and climate change mitigation. Geography is the interdisciplinary science of settlements, and European geographers, as educators or professionals of earth landscapes, are engaged to spatial analysis on landscapes evolution, but also to provide solutions. Many European projects run by EUROGEO, but in particular Geoland (Digital Educational Geoinformatics Methodologies for Monitoring Landscape) are exploring educational procedures for the effective participation of Higher Education students in decision-making for landscape management, which will contribute to these global challenges.

**EUROPEAN COUNCIL OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE SCHOOLS /
CONSEIL EUROPÉEN DES ÉCOLES D'ARCHITECTURE DU PAYSAGE
(ECLAS)**

Mr Richard STILES

Professor University of Vienna, European Council of Landscape Architecture Schools

Mrs Ellen FETZER

President of the European Council of Landscape Architecture Schools

**EUROPEAN COUNCIL OF TOWN PLANNERS (ECTP) /
CONSEIL EUROPÉEN DES URBANISTES (CEU)**

Mr Luc-Emile BOUCHE-FLORIN

Honorary President of the European Council of Spatial Planners

**EUROPEAN NETWORK OF CULTURAL ADMINISTRATION TRAINING
CENTRES (ENCATC) / RÉSEAU EUROPÉEN DES CENTRES DE FORMATION
D'ADMINISTRATEURS CULTURELS (ENCATC)**

Mrs Claire GIRAUD-LABALTE

*Présidente du Pôle des acteurs du patrimoine, Réseau européen des Centres de formation
d'administrateurs culturels*

**EUROPEAN NETWORK OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS ON THE
LANDSCAPE (CIVILSCAPE) / RÉSEAU EUROPÉEN D'ORGANISATIONS NON
GOUVERNEMENTALES SUR LE PAYSAGE (CIVILSCAPE)**

Mr Dirk GOTZMANN

Director of the European Network of on-governmental organisations on the landscape

Mrs Inge GOTZMANN

Vice-President of the European Network of on-governmental organisations on the landscape

**EUROPEAN NETWORK OF UNIVERSITIES ON LANDSCAPE (UNISCAPE) /
RÉSEAU EUROPÉEN D'UNIVERSITÉS SUR LE PAYSAGE (UNISCAPE)**

Mr Juan Manuel PALERM

President of the European Network of Universities on landscape

**EUROPEAN RAMBLERS ASSOCIATION (ERA) /
FÉDÉRATION EUROPÉENNE DE LA RANDONNÉE PÉDESTRE (FERP)**

Mr Armand DUCORNET

Vice-President of the European Ramblers Association

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**FOUNDATION NATURE FOR HEALTH (FNH) /
FONDATION NATURE POUR LA SANTE (FNH)**

**Intervention on Green & Healthy Destinations and the healing force of landscapes for the 11th
Council Europe Conference Landscape Convention, 26 May 2021**

Mr Rob WOLTERS

Executive Nature for Health, in cooperation with Mr Albert SALMAN, President of Green Destinations and Ms Huixin HU, Student of Wageningen University & Research

President, ladies and gentlemen, is a privilege and honour for me to address your Conference, and it brings back memories of the times that I was actively involved, also a president, in the Pan-European Biological and Landscape Diversity Strategy.

On 29 April this year, the Foundation Nature for Health and Green Destinations were glad to organize the international seminar ‘Green & Healthy Destinations – the healing force of landscapes’, with Maguelonne Déjeant-Pons as key note speaker.

The seminar highlighted the importance of landscapes for human health and well-being and landscape related tourism, especially in the light of the challenges COVID-19 brought to our societies. The seminar marked the start of the development of a European Inspiration and Learning Network for Green & Healthy Destinations.

The onset of the COVID-19 pandemic catalyzed changes in our lifestyle and travel patterns and resulted in increased use of landscapes closer to our homes. As our physical and mental well-being has been impacted by the epidemic, finding safe green and healthy destinations where our mind and body can heal is much needed. Also tourists are reappraising their preferences for holiday destinations where they could combine safe leisure activities with activities that contribute to their health and well-being. Consequently, more and more destinations are reassessing their development strategies by boosting initiatives that integrate leisure and landscape-based health activities.

The European Inspiration and Learning Network for Green & Healthy Destinations aims to exchange experiences, views and expertise between destinations on the integration of leisure, nature, landscapes and healthcare. Moreover, exploring together the possibilities for cross-sectoral collaboration between sectors of tourism, health and landscape management will help to facilitate shifting leisure to be a more healthy, affordable, and well-being-enhancing experience. The Network can help to remove the high fences between sectors such as leisure, health care and landscape management.

The seminar highlighted some truly inspirational examples where regions are utilizing nature and landscapes for leisure and health both, in particular Gesundland VulkanEifel in Germany and London National City Park in the United Kingdom. The seminar also highlighted the determination of the Van Gogh National Park in the Netherlands to become a healing landscape of international importance.

In conclusion, we think the time is ripe to further integrate leisure, health and well-being as part of the implementation of the European Landscape Convention and to promote the healing force of landscapes as a vital aspect of green & healthy destinations across Europe. We hope that the Conference for the European Landscape Convention will endorse the initiative of European Inspiration and Learning

Network for Green & Healthy Destinations and work with us to turn the Network into a success, for the sake of people and landscapes and the health of both.

Thank you for your attention.

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**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR LANDSCAPE ECOLOGY (IALE) /
ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE POUR L'ÉCOLOGIE DU PAYSAGE (IALE)**

Mrs Irene PETROSILLO

Professor of Landscape Ecology, Executive Committee of the International Association for Landscape Ecology, University of Salento

**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION RURALITY-ENVIRONMENT-
DEVELOPPEMENT (RED) /
ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE RURALITE-ENVIRONNEMENT-
DEVELOPPEMENT (RED)**

M. Patrice COLLIGNON

Administrateur délégué de l'Association internationale ruralité-environnement-développement

**INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF MONUMENTS AND SITES (ICOMOS) /
CONSEIL INTERNATIONAL DES MONUMENTS ET DES SITES (ICOMOS)**

Mr Jurn BUISMAN

Vice-President Europe of the International Council of Monuments and Sites

**INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION FOR HOUSING AND PLANNING (IFHP) /
FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE POUR L'HABITATION, L'URBANISME
ET L'AMÉNAGEMENT DES TERRITOIRES (FIHUAT)**

Mme Anne Marie CHAVANON

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**INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS - EUROPE
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Mrs Ana LUENGO

Delegate of the International Federation of Landscape Architects - Europe

Mr Michael OLDHAM

Member of the International Federation of Landscape Architects - Europe

Mrs Indra PURS

Member of the International Federation of Landscape Architects - Europe

**LANDSCAPE RESEARCH GROUP (LRG) / GROUPE DE RECHERCHE SUR LE
PAYSAGE (LRG)**

Mr Peter James HOWARD

Vice-Chair of the Landscape Research Group

**INTERNATIONAL TERRACED LANDSCAPES ALLIANCE (ITLA) /
ALLIANCE INTERNATIONALE DES PAYSAGES EN TERRASSE (ITLA)**

Mr Hermann Josef TILLMANN

Coordinator and President of International Terraced Landscapes Alliance

**INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE LANDSCAPE (AIPP) /
ATELIER INTERNATIONAL POUR LE PAYSAGE (AIPP)**

Mrs Cristiane STORELLI

Co-ordinatrice de l'Atelier international pour le paysage

L'Atelier a continué à travailler sur le thème du paysage au sens de la Convention européenne du paysage, afin de promouvoir la sensibilisation et l'information.

Il s'est agi de développer divers sujets traités par la Convention concernant la démocratie, l'organisation du territoire et le respect des droits humains. Un ouvrage devant s'intituler « Les femmes gouverneront le monde et sauveront le paysage », est en préparation.

Il s'est agi aussi d'approfondir la notion de paysage en considérant par exemple un espace boisé et un espace urbanisé, afin d'examiner leurs caractéristiques paysagères, en référence aux deux premiers articles de la Convention.

Cet exercice a pour objet de chercher à concevoir un idéal de paysage.

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