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the European Landscape Convention:
Information System and Platform of Information on the Convention**

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Summary

The Recommendation [CM/Rec\(2013\)4](#) of the Committee of Ministers to member States on the European Landscape Convention Information System of the Council of Europe its glossary, adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 11 December 2013, recommends that States Parties to the convention:

“– use the European Landscape Convention Information System of the Council of Europe with its glossary, in the framework of their co-operation as mentioned in the convention;

– co-operate to develop this Information System to fulfil the goals mentioned above;

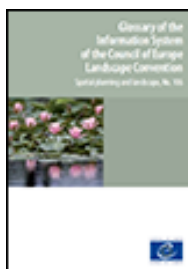
– continue to exchange information on all matters covered by the provisions of the convention in order to promote knowledge of landscapes and landscape policies, in view of enhancing the quality of people’s lives, taking care of their surroundings.”

(Appendix 1 to this document)

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The Council of Europe Information System on the European Landscape Convention, presented on the Council of Europe Website (Landscape Observatory: www.coe.int/en/web/landscape/landscape-observatory), promotes the implementation of the European Landscape Convention and helps to provide mutual technical and scientific assistance through the collection and exchange of landscape experience and research, as provided for in Article 8 of the Convention.

Reference document:



Glossary of the Information System of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention
Council of Europe publication, Spatial Planning and Landscape Series, 2018, No. 106.

The Public part of the Information System is available on the Website of the Convention:
https://elcl6.coe.int/WebForms/Public_List.aspx?En=&en (Appendix 2 to this document).

The National Correspondents of the Information System are invited to complete a questionnaire to prepare a National Report on the implementation of the Convention (at national level and, according to the States concerned, at the regional level). It is possible to complete the questionnaire in French or English, or both.

A password has been communicated by the Secretariat to the National Correspondents of the Information System. They are kindly requested to inform the Convention Secretariat of any change in the name of the National Correspondent (e-mails: maguelonne.dejeant-pons; eva.nagy@coe.int).]

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The Information Platform of the European Landscape Convention of the Council of Europe is intended to present: the main themes of the Convention; the synthesis reports on national and regional policies for the implementation of the Convention; and other work carried out for the implementation of the Convention (Appendix 3 to this document).

The Conference is invited to:

- welcome the development of national landscape policies of the States Parties to the European Landscape Convention;
- take note with great interest of the National Reports on the implementation of the Convention (accessible on the public part of the Information System on the European Landscape Convention) presented on the occasion of the Conference;
- invite the National Correspondents of the Information System, to complete and/or update the online questionnaire by 30 June 2021, in order to be able to gather all reports on national and regional policies for the implementation of the Convention;
- invite the representatives of the States Parties to the Convention to translate if they wish, the Glossary of the Information System of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention (Council of Europe publication, Spatial Planning and Landscape Series, 2018, No. 106);
- take note of the development of the Information Platform of the European Landscape Convention of the Council of Europe, intended to present: the main themes of the Convention; the synthesis reports on national and regional policies for the implementation of the Convention; and other work carried out for the implementation of the Convention.

Appendix 1

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Recommendation CM/Rec(2013)4 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on the European Landscape Convention Information System of the Council of Europe and its glossary

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 11 December 2013
at the 1187th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)*

The Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, under the terms of Article 15.b of the Statute of the Council of Europe,

Considering that the aim of the Council of Europe is to achieve a greater unity between its members for the purpose of safeguarding and realising the ideals and principles which are their common heritage;

Having regard to the European Landscape Convention (ETS No. 176 – hereinafter “the convention”), adopted by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on 19 July 2000 and opened for signature by Council of Europe member States in Florence on 20 October 2000;

Considering that the convention makes an important contribution to the Council of Europe’s objectives of promoting democracy, human rights and the rule of law and seeking common solutions to the major problems facing European society today;

Underlining that, in taking account of landscape value, the Council of Europe considers the importance of the populations’ quality of life;

Recalling the provisions of Article 10.1 of the convention on monitoring its implementation; recalling also the provisions of its Article 8, concerning mutual assistance and exchange of information, under which the Parties undertake to co-operate in order to enhance the effectiveness of measures taken and, in particular, exchange information on all matters covered by the provisions of the convention;

Considering that Recommendation CM/Rec(2008)3 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on the guidelines for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention proposes that each Party contribute to the setting-up of a database to appear on the website of the Council of Europe’s European Landscape Convention, and emphasising that the recommendation mentions that the database would be a “toolbox” which would help provide mutual technical and scientific assistance through the collection and exchange of landscape experience and research, as provided for in Article 8 of the above-mentioned convention concerning mutual assistance and exchange of information,

Recommends that States Parties to the convention:

- use the European Landscape Convention Information System of the Council of Europe with its glossary,¹ in the framework of their co-operation as mentioned in the convention;
- co-operate to develop this Information System to fulfil the goals mentioned above;
- continue to exchange information on all matters covered by the provisions of the convention in order to promote knowledge of landscapes and landscape policies, in view of enhancing the quality of people’s lives, taking care of their surroundings.

1. Public part to be completed by the Parties to the convention: https://elcl6.coe.int/WebForms/Public_List.aspx.

Appendix 2

Information System of the Council of Europe European Landscape Convention

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Appendix 3

Information Platform of the European Landscape Convention of the Council of Europe

www.coe.int/en/web/landscape/information-platform

The Information Platform is designed to facilitate access to information on the work carried out for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention and its basic texts, regarding five topics:



Definition of Landscape



Landscape policies



Landscape integration



International co-operation



Exemplary projects