

Allow me to address to this referent international conference and remind on some important determinants related to the context of conservation areas in Montenegro.

- The European Landscape Convention is the first document that comprehensively addresses areas (natural, rural, urban, peri-urban, degraded) whose characteristics are a result of the interaction of natural and / or human factors

Controlled and sustainable spatial planning allows preservation of natural and cultural territorial identity. Unfortunately, modern transformations in areas nowadays, especially in developed regions of Europe, very often result with homogenization of the area and loss of unique character of specific area.

- Undoubtedly very important fact is that European Landscape Convention has ratified 38 countries European Council members, recognizing the importance of planning, protection and area management in national and international level.
- Montenegro has ratified the Convention in 2008 when started implementation. Important steps in recognition and area treatment has been made:
- In legislation regarding the spatial development
- In Study and spatial plan implementation within planning documents
- As well in education of necessary personell

The faculty for architecture with a spetial attention acts in education of future proffessionals which will enable them to form a feeling for an area as a whole, valorizing richness of natural and cultural inheritance in Montenegro. Special subject with a focus on landscape is organized on the third study year where students learn about basics in landscape and its sustainable development. Important segment of education for students are workshops in cooperation with the Ministry which were implemented on different locations in Montenegro. Practising workshop will be continued.

Montenegro results in terms of Convention implementation which achievements has been scored at the European level, have enabled us to organize 13 meeting of the Council of Europe for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention on "The future of lanscape, assessment and identification of areas: application in a democracy," in Cetinje, from 1-4. October 2013th year.

I think that in this moment is very useful to mention some of the Convention postulate as follows:

- According to the Convention an area is a part of European in heritage and appropriate actions has to be taken in order to preserve, protect and develop sustain as a result of combined action of natural and cultural elements.
- Landscape is characterized with a constant change which appear in different cultural shapes as a result of citizens needs instability

- Landscape connect natural area components modified during the time as result of human needs and requirements.
- The Convention refers to landscape as common resource so every transformation need to provide balance between social, economic and ecological needs.
- It is evident that Montenegro landscape is pressured in last several years due to intensive implementation of development projects. In some cases landscape degradation occurred due to lack of planning treatment and coordination in spatial management
- It is necessary landscape to observe as a whole and as in relation to some of its elements which provides hierarchy establishment in frame of its values.
- Chronology in area development and forces which influenced on its change are particularly important for understanding legitimacy dominantly influenced on its current perspective which allow us to act articulate manner and avoid spontaneous changes.
- Special attention need to be given to subjective experience which is formed in direct contact with specific area components.

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