

# STEERING COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, HERITAGE AND LANDSCAPE (CDCPP)

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LIST OF DECISIONS CONCERNING THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS AND REPORT

#### I. LIST OF DECISIONS CONCERNING THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS

Taken on behalf of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) by its Bureau (Report of the 5th Meeting, Paris, 24-25 June 2014, CDCPP-Bu(2014)10)

# 1. Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on promoting landscape awareness through education

On behalf of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), its Bureau, thanked the Steering Committee for Education Policy and Practice (CDPPE) for its cooperation and decided to present the 'Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on promoting landscape awareness through education' to the Committee of Ministers for adoption (Report of the 5th Meeting, Paris, 24-25 June 2014, CDCPP-Bu(2014)10, Item 3.1.3. (ii) and Appendix 4).

#### Reminder:

The Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) at its 2nd meeting (Strasbourg, 27-29 May 2013), adopted the Draft recommendation on landscape and education at primary and secondary school prepared by the 7th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention (26-27 March 2013) and submitted it for adoption to the Committee of Ministers (CDCPP(2013)29, item 3.6, iii).

The Rapporteur Group on Culture (GR-C) of the Committee of Ministers agreed to request the opinion of the Steering Committee for Education Policy and Practice.

The Bureau of the CDPPE at its meeting held on 5 December 2013 (item 13) was of the opinion that the scope of the recommendation should be around the role that education should play in raising awareness on landscape, and that the title therefore ought to be changed. It further recommended that the text be reviewed by the CDCPP, in close cooperation with the CDPPE.

The draft recommendation has accordingly been revised in consultation with the Secretariat of the CDPPE and the CDPPE examined it at its Plenary meeting (26 March 2014).

At its 3rd meeting (19-21 March 2014), the CDCPP instructed its Bureau, in the case of only linguistic changes proposed by the Steering Committee for Education Policy and Practice (CDPPE), to submit the draft Recommendation to the Committee of Ministers. The CDPPE having made two linguistic changes, the Bureau of the CDCPP decided on 25 June 2014 to present the draft recommendation to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.

# 2. Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on intercultural integration

On behalf of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), its Bureau considered the opinions of the three Steering Committees consulted according to the decision of the Deputies of the Committee of Ministers (CM/Del/Dec(2014)1189/7.1E / 24 January 2014) – European Committee for Social Cohesion, Human Dignity and Equality (CDDECS), European Committee on Democracy and Governance (CDDG) and Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH) – on the 'Draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member States on intercultural integration'. The Bureau amended the draft recommendation and decided to submit it to the Committee of Ministers for adoption (5th Meeting, Paris, 24-25 June 2014, CDCPP-Bu(2014)10, Item 3.2 and Appendix 7).

#### Reminder:

The Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) at its 2nd meeting (Strasbourg, 27-29 May 2013), adopted the Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on intercultural integration and submitted it for adoption to the Committee of Ministers (CDCPP(2013)29, item 3.6, i).

The Deputies of the Committee of Ministers decided to consult the following Committees: European Committee for Social Cohesion, Human Dignity and Equality (CDDECS), European Committee on Democracy and Governance (CDDG) and Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH) (CM/Del/Dec(2014)1189/7.1E / 24 January 2014)

According to the opinion of these Committees (Document CDCPP-Bu(2014)5 rev., 23 June 2014, Appendix 1), the Bureau amended the draft recommendation and decided to submit it to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.

3. Comments of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) on Recommendation 2038 (2014) Europe's endangered heritage of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

On behalf of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), its Bureau thanked the Committee of Ministers for consulting it on the 'Recommendation 2038 (2014) Europe's endangered heritage' of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and adopted comments (5th Meeting, Paris, 24-25 June 2014, CDCPP-Bu(2014)10, Item 3.3 and Appendix 6).

#### Reminder:

Decisions of the Deputies to the Committee of Ministers (1195th Meeting of the CM, 19-20 March 2014)

"1. concerning Recommendation 2038 (2014) - "Europe's endangered heritage"

a. agreed to communicate it to the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), the Steering Committee for Educational Policy and Practice (CDPPE) and the Joint Council on Youth (CMJ), for information and possible comments by 30 June 2014;

b. in the light of possible comments, invited their Rapporteur Group on Education, Culture, Sport, Youth and Environment (GR-C) to prepare a draft reply for adoption at one of their forthcoming meetings".

# II. REPORT OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE FOR CULTURE, HERITAGE AND LANDSCAPE (CDCPP)

#### 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING BY THE CHAIR

Mr Bruno Favel, Chair of the Committee, opened the 5th meeting of the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) on 24 June at 9.00 am and welcomed the participants (see list in Appendix 1 to this Report).

The Chair presented the results of the recent meetings on culture, heritage and landscape in which he was involved, underlined the political importance of these themes and thanked the members of the Bureau for their highly appreciated cooperation.

The Bureau considered the importance of anchoring the cultural, heritage and landscape themes in the Council of Europe's priorities considering their importance for the future of Europe and the necessity to reinforce cooperation with the Committee of Ministers, the Parliamentary Assembly, the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities and the Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

[CDCPP-Bu (2014)1 rev.]

The Bureau adopted the agenda as it appears in Appendix 2 to this Report.

#### 3. PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES FOR 2014

#### 3.1 Report on the implementation of the Programme of activities for 2014

[CDCPP-Bu(2014)7]

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the Programme of activities and calendar of meetings for 2014 and decided that the culture, heritage and landscape information systems (Compendium, HEREIN, ELCIS) will be presented to the Committee of Ministers' Deputies on the occasion of the next CDCPP meeting, during a side event;
- expressed the wish to receive timely information on the budget allocated for these activities;
- considering the terms of reference of the CDCPP on culture, heritage and landscape, the Bureau examined the following:

**3.1.1. Culture** [CDCPP-Bu (2014)2]

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the latest developments regarding the following activities under the CDCPP's work programme on culture and welcomed the progress made.

#### (i) Information System on Culture and Cultural Policy Reviews

#### Compendium information system (http://www.culturalpolicies.net) and CulturewatchEurope

#### The Bureau:

took note of the following information provided by the Secretariat: a contract had been signed in April 2014 with the Council of Europe's operational project partner, ERICARTS, and the work would focus on the creation of a new thematic space on culture and democracy. This space should accommodate the indicators on culture's contribution to democracy as from 2015 and the update of these should be done in the framework of the Compendium. Profiles from Cyprus, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Belarus are forthcoming; this would bring the number of participating member States to 45. The profile of Turkey is still missing from the system and the Bureau would appreciate its inclusion in the near future. Progress is also reported on the development of the WORLD-CP, the Compendium's global extension, with new profiles for Chile and India and forthcoming profiles for Mongolia and Singapore (http://www.worldcp.org/index.php);

- took note that the Compendium Authors'/CultureWatchEurope meeting shall take place in December 2014 in the framework of the Belgian presidency of the Committee of Ministers. Securing adequate resources for the Compendium is an ongoing concern. Voluntary contributions by member States are invaluable to ensure the sophisticated functioning of the system;
- suggested to use the 2014 Compendium Authors'/CultureWatchEurope meeting (Belgium, December 2014) for a review by researchers and interested governmental representatives of initial results of the work on indicators on culture's contribution to democracy and prepare a formal launch event of the indicator framework in 2015.

#### **Cultural Policy Reviews**

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the request of the Minister of Culture of Serbia for a targeted cultural policy review, applying the new review methodology involving a mixed team of national/international experts that produces one single review report. A representative of the CDCPP would be part of the expert team to allow an element of peer review. The thematic focus shall be on strategic orientations for culture, modernising cultural infrastructure and supporting culture and the creative sector. The work schedule foresees expert visits to Serbia in September and October 2014 and the conclusion of the policy review in Spring 2015;
- welcomed this new initiative of a targeted cultural policy review of Serbia proposed by the Ministry of Culture of Serbia and approved the methodology proposed by the Secretariat for this exercice.
- (ii) Follow-up to the 10th Council of Europe Conference of Ministers of culture "governance of culture promoting access to culture"

### Guidelines (policy-orientation documents) on actions to address the impact of digitisation on culture

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the following information provided by the Secretariat: the first platform meeting for policy makers and cultural/media practitioners on the impact of digitisation on culture will be held in the format of a multi-stakeholder conference on 4-5 July in Baku on "Creating an enabling environment for digital culture and for empowering citizens" and it will bring together some 90 participants. Work will concentrate on orientations for moving from pre-digital to digital cultural institutions and on emerging trends of cultural production and related needs of the cultural sector. Elements for future policy guidelines will be drawn from the debates. An interesting programme has been compiled, securing input by policy makers, cultural practitioners and artists as well as representatives of other international bodies (EU, WIPO, EBU). The CDCPP is well represented at the event. www.coe.int/baku2014;
- underlined the importance of the follow-up works on the 2013 Ministerial Conference on Culture and of ensuring adequate resources for these via the Council of Europe's ordinary budget, voluntary contributions from member States and possibly, resources from relevant national foundations.

### A framework of indicators to measure the impact of cultural activity on democracy and the economic efficiency of financing culture

#### The Bureau:

 took note that a contract was prepared with the Hertie School of Governance and work derived from this will be further elaborated with a group of leading European cultural research bodies in the course of the year. The draft indicator framework is expected for autumn 2014 and first application tests could be run in interested member States;

- suggested to consult the preliminary results achieved by the end of 2014 with the Compendium community of cultural policy researchers, meeting in December in Belgium. This would allow to elaborate the indicator framework further and present the final works at a larger cultural policy event in 2015.
- suggested to help the Secretariat in addition to seeing to make available voluntary contributions through making contacts with relevant national Foundations that might be interested in supporting them.

### (iii) Examination of a revision of the European Convention on Cinematographic co-production for submission to the Committee of Ministers

#### The Bureau:

took note of the ongoing revision work on the European Convention on Cinematographic coproduction: the first meeting of the CPP-CINE took place on 3-4 April 2014 in Paris to prepare and implement the revision of the Convention on cinematographic co-production along the needs identified through an independent evaluation of the Eurimages fund (Olsberg SPI, November 2013) and in line with decisions taken in 2013 and 2014 by the CDCPP and GR-C. It brought together 15 national experts. They held an exchange on the legal aspects and the various options for revising the Convention (item to be concluded at the 2nd meeting of the CPP-CINE in the presence of a Council of Europe legal advisor) and revised articles 6 (proportions of contributions from each coproducer); 7 (rights of co-producers) and appendices I (application procedure) and II (point system). The second meeting of the CPP-CINE shall take place in Paris on 29-30 September 2014 and fine-tune the revision work.

# (iv) Preparation of other draft recommendations: use of new cultural policy tools and guidelines for evidence based policy making

#### The Bureau:

took note of the following information provided by the Secretariat: at its 3rd meeting (19-21 March 2014), the CDCPP had welcomed the possibility of a draft recommendation based on the follow-up to the 2013 Moscow Ministerial Conference, i.e. a new indicator framework on culture's contribution to democracy as well as economic efficiency of financing culture, and policy orientations on digitisation and culture, and had instructed the Secretariat to prepare, with the assistance of a group of experts, a draft as from 2015 for subsequent consideration. Initial work on policy orientations/guidelines on addressing the challenges posed by digitisation to the cultural sector is being carried out in the framework of the Baku Exchange Platform (4-5 July 2014). This work will provide input for subsequent work on a Council of Europe recommendation on new cultural policy tools and guidelines for evidence based policy making.

### (v) Other activities overseen by the Culture and Democracy Division

### 60th Anniversary of the European Cultural Convention

#### The Bureau:

took note that in the framework of the 60th anniversary of the European Cultural Convention a brochure "Culture: heart and soul of democracy" has been published by the Council of Europe. A number of events are being organised in the DG II area to mark the anniversary. An exhibition offering seven panels on the main themes covered by the Convention has been prepared and can be made available to member States, including in national language editions. It will be shown at the forthcoming platform exchange on "Creating an enabling environment for digital culture and for empowering citizens", 4-5 July 2014 in Baku.

#### Joint Programme Roma Academic Network

#### The Bureau:

- welcomed progress on the Joint Programme Roma Academic Network (RAN) that held two meetings in Cluj (Romania) in 6-7 April 2014: a Consortium Meeting of the European Union's Migrom project to assess progress and preliminary results on Roma migration from Romania to France, Italy, Spain and the UK, and the 6th Scientific Committee Meeting;
- expressed its wish to see the Roma Academic Network (RAN; Joint Programme with the European Union) closely related to the Organisation's numerous activities on Roma to have them fully benefit from this unique knowledge resource of more than 300 specialised researchers.

**3.1.2.** Heritage [CDCPP-Bu (2014)3]

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the latest developments regarding the following activities under the CDCPP's work programme on cultural heritage and welcomed the progress made.

### (i) Member States are assisted in the development of democratic policies in the field of heritage through HEREIN Information System

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the following information provided by the Secretariat on actions undertaken: diagnosis of the state of publication of the national reports; targeted assistance to the Coordinators to publish national reports; Working Group on communication to prepare the next plenary meeting of the Coordinators (Mons, November 2014, during the Belgium Presidency of the Committee of Ministers).
- (ii) Draft recommendation on the implementation of the cultural heritage conventions, for adoption by the Committee of Ministers

#### The Bureau:

- entrusted the Working Group to assess the lessons learned from the pilot projects for cultural heritage to make a proposal on the issue to the Bureau and to the CDCPP for their adoption.
- (iii) Identification of best practices on improving living spaces, social inclusion and quality of life in line with the Faro Convention, with a view to their wide dissemination in member States

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the following information provided by the Secretariat on actions undertaken: elaboration in progress of 5 Faro free applications, based on the results of the Marseilles Forum; elaboration of the terms of reference for the Faro appreciations and first mission to Pilsen (Czech Republic, European Capital 2015);
- took note of the following information provided by the Secretariat on actions planned: Faro Walk (conference), Walloon Region (Belgium) on citizen participation in the management of major historic sites.

#### (iv) Evaluation of the lessons learned from the field pilot projects on cultural and natural heritage in South-East Europe, Caucasus and Black Sea regions and selected EU member States, and preparation of policy guidelines

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the following information provided by the Secretariat on actions undertaken: second experts' mission to Lorca (Spain); recommendations for implementing three pilot actions for contributing to the rehabilitation process; drafting of the cooperation programme with the Republic of Moldova based on the Council of Europe report on the situation regarding the heritage policy; implementation of the Business Planning and Fundraising Strategy as part of the Ljubljana Process II (in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Serbia, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", Kosovo<sup>1</sup>): publication as part of the European Heritage Collection on the impact of the Liubliana process in the South-East European region; Finalisation of the new Joint Programme "Community-Led Urban Strategies in Historic Towns" (COMUS) in partnership with the Organisation of World Heritage Cities; presentation of the new COMUS project to Belarus and Georgian authorities;
- took note of the following information provided by the Secretariat on actions planned: negotiations with the European Union (DG EAC) about a new Joint Programme on local development, based on the Local Development Pilot Projects implemented in South-East Europe; presentation of the new COMUS project to authorities in Armenia and Azerbaijan; Compilation of experiences accumulated as part of the Technical Cooperation Programme, for publication as part of the European Heritage Collection:
- expressed the wish to receive information on these activities, especially on the mission to Lorca (Spain):
- adopted the terms and conditions of a Working Group to assess the lessons learned from the pilot projects (Appendix 3 to this Report) and to draw up proposals, according to the decisions of the last meeting of the CDCPP.

[CDCPP-Bu (2014)4] 3.1.3. Landscape

#### The Bureau:

took note of the latest developments regarding the following activities under the CDCPP's work programme on landscape and welcomed the progress made.

#### Monitoring the implementation of the Convention: the European Landscape Convention (i) Information System of the Council of Europe

#### The Bureau:

- took note of the finalisation of the first technical phase of the European Landscape Convention Information System of the Council of Europe;
- asked the Secretariat to prepare a message from the Chair of the CDCPP encouraging member States to actively implement 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);
- took note that the second phase will be launched in order to allow the extraction of data.

<sup>1</sup> All reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

### (ii) The implementation of the European Landscape Convention: draft recommendations of the Committee of Ministers

#### The Bureau:

- thanked the Steering Committee for Education Policy and Practice (CDPPE) for its cooperation and decided to present the 'Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on promoting landscape awareness through education' to the Committee of Ministers for adoption (Appendix 4 to this Report)<sup>2</sup>;
- agreed that the 8th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention will propose other draft recommendations.

#### (iii) The 8th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention

#### The Bureau:

 noted that the 8th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention will be held in March 2015 in Strasbourg and that the Secretariat will communicate the dates defined in consultation with the Chair of the Conference.

#### (iv) The Working Programme

#### The Bureau:

- welcomed the activities carried out to implement the European Landscape Convention aiming at monitoring implementation of the Convention; fostering European cooperation; collecting examples of good practice; fostering knowledge and research for policy development; raising awareness; and fostering access to information (http://www.coe.int/EuropeanLandscapeConvention);
- noted that the Meetings of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention aim in particular at presenting new concepts and achievements in connection with the Convention. They represent a genuine forum for sharing practices and ideas. Special emphasis is given to the experiences of the member State hosting the meeting<sup>3</sup>;
- took note that the 15th Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention on "Sustainable landscapes and economy" will be held in Nevşehir, Turkey, on (30 September) 1-2 October 2014:
- took note that the results of the Programme of activities 2013-2014 on the follow-up of the implementation of the European Landscape Convention will be presented at the 8th Council of Europe Conference on the implementation of the European Landscape Convention (Appendix 5 to this Report).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The proceedings of the Meetings are published in the Council of Europe's "European Spatial Planning and Landscape" series and are available on the Council of Europe's European Landscape Convention website: http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/cultureheritage/heritage/Landscape/Publications\_en.asp

#### (v) The Landscape Award of the Council of Europe

#### The Bureau:

- welcomed the holding of the 14th Council of Europe Meeting for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention "Forum of the national selections for the Council of Europe Landscape Award" in Wroclaw, Poland, on 11-12 June 2014 and thanked the authorities of Poland for their hospitality and cooperation with the Council of Europe in the organisation of the event: (http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/cultureheritage/heritage/landscape/reunionateliers/wroclaw2014\_EN.asp?);
- took note of the launching of the 4th Session of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe, and of the fact that the Parties to the Convention were invited to present by 10 December 2014 the applications to the Secretariat General of the Council of Europe.

#### 3.2 Consideration of the CDCPP's work by the Committee of Ministers [CDCPP-Bu (2014)5 Rev.]

#### The Bureau:

- took note of decisions taken by the Committee of Ministers concerning the CDCPP;
- considered the 'Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on intercultural integration': took note of the opinions of the three Committees consulted according of Deputies Committee Ministers to the decision the of the of (CM/Del/Dec(2014)1189/7.1E / 24 January 2014) – European Committee for Social Cohesion, Human Dignity and Equality (CDDECS), European Committee on Democracy and Governance (CDDG) and Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH) -, amended the draft recommendation and decided to submit it to the Committee of Ministers for adoption (Appendix 7 to this Report);
- expressed a positive answer to the invitation presented by the Steering Committee for Human Rights (CDDH) in its opinion, which mentions that "In view of the preparation of draft guidelines on the promotion and protection of human rights in culturally diverse societies, with a possible specific focus on issues related to human rights education and training, the CDDH would be interested in a contribution from the CDCPP, in the light of its concrete experience arising from its work on the urban model of intercultural integration" (Appendix III of the report of the 80th meeting of the CDDH, Oslo (Norway), 8-10 April 2014) and decided to define a concrete proposal to provide its expertise.

#### 3.3 Information on other Council of Europe bodies

[CDCPP-Bu (2014)6]

#### The Bureau:

- noted with interest the work of other Council of Europe bodies and notably of the activities of the Parliamentary Assembly on Culture preservation in crisis and post-crisis situations;
- following its consultation by the Rapporteur Group on Education, Culture, Sport, Youth and Environment (GR-C) adopted the Comments of the CDCPP on 'Recommendation 2038 (2014) on Europe's endangered heritage' of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (Appendix 6 to this Report).

# 3.4 Discussion on activities to be developed in Ukraine, according to the decision taken by the 3rd Plenary Session of the CDCPP (Strasbourg, 19-21 mars 2014) [CDCPP-Bu (2014)8]

#### The Bureau:

 regretted the latest developments regarding the situation in Ukraine and, considering the decisions taken by the CDCPP at its last meeting, expressed its availability to analyse the possibility of developing adequate technical assistance following the request of the Ministry of Culture of Ukraine.

#### 4. PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS ON THE PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES FOR 2016-2017

#### The Bureau:

suggested the preparation of a conceptual paper explaining the importance of the three themes
under the CDCPP's responsibility – culture, heritage and landscape – in relation to the Council of
Europe priorities, and decided to develop the work programme accordingly, wishing moreover to be
informed of the Council of Europe budget for these activities.

#### 5. CALENDAR OF ACTIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER ORGANISATIONS

#### The Bureau:

 welcomed the participation of international governmental and non-governmental organisations with observer status at CDCPP meetings, and expressed the wish to reinforce the concrete cooperation with these organisations.

#### 6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

#### The Bureau:

- congratulated Mr Thorbjørn Jagland on his re-election as Secretary General of the Council of Europe:
- invited the Secretary General to participate in the next Plenary of the CDCPP Meeting.

#### The Bureau:

 invited Mr Michael Lauenborg to provide information on the provisions on the Valletta Convention to be discussed.

### 7. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The Bureau decided on the following dates of meetings:

- 4-5 November 2014 (Strasbourg): 6th Meeting of the Bureau of the CDCPP;
- 1-3 June 2015 (Strasbourg): 4th Plenary Meeting of the CDCPP.

#### 8. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT

The Bureau adopted the Report of the Meeting.

#### 9. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

The Chair of the Committee thanked the participants and closed the Meeting on 25 June at 12.00 am.

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- 9. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

### Terms and conditions of the Working Group to assess the lessons learned from the pilot projects for cultural heritage and to draw up proposals

as adopted by the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) on 25 June 2014

**Objectives**: The working group's objective will be to consider the projects carried out under the Technical Co-operation and Consultancy Programme related to the integrated conservation of the cultural heritage. The aim is not to evaluate that programme itself (the CD-PATEP conducted an evaluation in 2010), nor is it to evaluate the projects in themselves (they have in principle or in part been the subject of internal or external evaluations, especially in the case of the joint programme with the European Union), or to evaluate the management of those projects by the Secretariat. The objectives are:

- to learn lessons related to the subjects dealt with;
- to assess the extent to which the results achieved at specific sites or in specific regions may offer lessons that are useful for all member States;
- to identify the cross-cutting themes tackled under these projects so that a link can be made with the Council of Europe's political priorities;
- if applicable, to offer summaries (to be published) or guidelines or to suggest the drafting of recommendations to the Committee of Ministers.

**Terms of reference**: The working group is being set up for the period of the current terms of reference of the CDCPP (until the end of 2015) and is one of the means of achieving the expected results.

**Programme**: The working group should be operational from 1 September 2014. A first meeting will be held in order to present all the activities and projects carried out in the context of the Technical Co-operation and Consultancy Programme, so as to identify projects and themes to be considered as a matter of priority. It will be for the working group to specify the terms of the method to be used (that method will be presented to the Bureau at its autumn meeting). The Secretariat will, when necessary, commission experts to write reports or to collect useful information for inclusion in working files on projects or on the working group's priority themes, in order to facilitate and simplify the group's work. External experts or representatives who can contribute additional information useful to the discussion may be invited to the working meetings. Two working meetings are to be held in 2014, and another two before the next meeting of the CDCPP in 2015.

*Membership*: The Secretariat recommends that the working group be set up with the following membership:

- 1 rapporteur appointed from within the Bureau: Mr Pierre Paquet (Belgium);
- 2 members of the CDCPP nominated by the Bureau: Mrs Ranka Saracevic-Wurth (Croatia), Mrs Malgorzata Fokt Willmann (Poland) and Mr Bruno Favel (France, Chair);
- 1 HEREIN coordinator nominated by the Bureau: Mr Ben de Vries (Netherlands);
- 1 representative of ICOMOS and 1 representative of the European Council of Town Planners (Mr Luc-Emile Bouche-Florin) as observers to the CDCPP (the arrangements for calling for candidatures will be decided by the Bureau);
- 1 expert from the Technical Co-operation and Consultancy Programme (appointed by the Secretariat):
- 1 Secretariat staff member (appointed by the Secretariat).

# Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on promoting landscape awareness through education

as adopted by the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) on behalf of the CDCPP on 25 June 2014

### COUNCIL OF EUROPE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS

Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on promoting landscape awareness through education

(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on ... 2014 at the ... 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 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), adopted by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on 19 July 2000, opened to member States for signature in Florence on 20 October 2000 and entered into force on 1 March 2004;

Concerned to achieve sustainable development based on a balanced and harmonious relationship between environment, social needs, culture and economic activity, for a better quality of life:

Noting that landscape has an important public interest role in the cultural, ecological, environmental and social fields, and that it constitutes a resource favourable to economic activity whose protection, management and planning can contribute to job creation;

Aware that landscape contributes to the formation of local and regional cultures and that it is a basic component of European natural and cultural heritage, contributing to human well-being and consolidation of the European identity;

Acknowledging that landscape is an important part of the quality of life for people everywhere: both in urban and rural areas, in high quality or in degraded areas, in areas recognised as being of outstanding beauty and in everyday areas;

Noting that developments in agriculture, forestry, industrial and mineral production techniques, the expansion of urban areas and of infrastructure networks, the increase in transport, tourism and recreation activities and, at a more general level, changes in the world economy are in many cases accelerating the transformation of landscapes;

Wishing to respond to the public's demand to enjoy high-quality landscapes and to play an active part in the management of landscapes;

Believing that the landscape is a key element of individual and social well-being and that its protection, management and planning entail rights and responsibilities for everyone;

Acknowledging that the quality and diversity of European landscapes constitute a common resource, and that it is important to co-operate towards its protection, management and planning;

Considering the aims of the European Landscape Convention and wishing to encourage its implementation;

Referring to Article 6.B of the European Landscape Convention on specific measures for training and education, which states that "Each Party undertakes to promote: ... school ... courses which, in the relevant subject areas, address the values attaching to landscapes and the issues raised by their protection, management and planning";

Recalling the principles laid out in CM/Rec(2008)3 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on the guidelines for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention, regarding how school curricula should foster children's awareness of and sensitivity to landscape;

Having regard to its previous recommendations:

- concerning the promotion of an awareness of Europe in secondary schools (Recommendation No. R (83) 4):
- on the role of the secondary school in preparing young people for life (Recommendation No. R (83) 13);
- on aid for artistic creation (Recommendation No. R (85) 6);
- on teaching and learning about human rights in schools (Recommendation No. R (85) 7);
- on the role of museums in environmental education, information and training (Recommendation No. R (90) 18);
- concerning heritage education (Recommendation No. R (98) 5);
- on ensuring quality education (Recommendation CM/Rec(2012)13).

Considering that one of the aims of education is to train young people and equip them with a set of skills necessary for citizenship and democracy;

Asserting that educational activities in the landscape field are an excellent way of giving meaning to the future;

Recommends that the governments of member states Parties to the convention adopt legislative, regulatory, administrative, financial and other appropriate measures to initiate or to develop landscape education activities and to promote landscape awareness among the young in accordance with the principles set out in the appendix to this recommendation.

#### Appendix to Recommendation CM/Rec(2014) ...

#### I. Principles and proposals

#### a. General principles on teaching and learning processes

The subject of landscape as defined by the European Landscape Convention provides many advantages for the pupils' education and is an important means for them to become familiar with their surroundings considered as their living space and to understand them. It should provide an opportunity for pupils to discover the role of each individual in his or her role as an inhabitant of the landscape surrounding them, as a guardian of its identity and its culture and as a protagonist aware of its future development.

Children, the citizens of tomorrow, should be able to develop the knowledge and understanding necessary to take care of this source and resource and understand the best ways to contribute to landscape protection, management and planning for present and future generations.

It is therefore necessary to gradually provide pupils with a basic knowledge of the landscape at all school levels in order to show them that the landscape is not just the visual aspect of a place, but a territorial entity where numerous natural and human factors interact. The landscape should consequently be studied in all its complexity through the developmental processes that modify it.

Educational methods should be primarily based on direct observation and on active participation involving pupils' research into, and discovery of, the landscape. It should encourage school outings to enable pupils to understand, through direct observation, that the landscape means an area, as perceived by people, whose character is the result of the action and interaction of natural and/or human factors

Pupils at all levels of education should be offered education opportunities in landscape related themes

adapted to their age and experience.

### b. Proposals to public authorities for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention through the promotion of landscape education

The competent authorities should be invited:

- to introduce landscape education into primary and secondary school curricula to enable school pupils to acquire a knowledge of the landscape and an understanding of its values, features, importance and role with regard to the quality of life of people surroundings;
- to promote school teaching that involves activities which will foster understanding and knowledge of the landscape;
- to encourage school pupils to acquire knowledge and understanding not only of the landscape in which they live, but also of other landscapes with different characteristics and features;
- to encourage school pupils, as early as secondary school, to participate and get involved with proposals for projects and plans for the protection, management and planning of the landscape in which they live;
- to promote capacity-building training for teachers in order to develop their capacity to transmit to school pupils the basic knowledge they need to understand the landscape.

#### II. Implementing landscape awareness through education

The competent authorities should be invited to:

- promote landscape education, which is interdisciplinary by its very nature, should be promoted and integrated into different school subjects at all levels and in all types of teaching, be it formal, non-formal or informal, considering the following provisions:
- encourage the setting up of educational departments in organisations responsible for landscape;
- organise workshops and practical training, wherever possible, for both teachers and professionals;
- set up a partnership for landscape education activities on an official basis between the relevant ministries, if possible within existing structures;
- encourage initiatives taken by schools, landscape professionals and associations and facilitate, in so far as they correspond to the definitions and goals of the European Landscape Convention;
- undertake assessment of landscape education actions or initiatives by the relevant ministries and/or partners, especially considering the educational results.

#### III. Documentation and material

The relevant authorities and ministries in each State should be encouraged to produce or commission teaching material relating to landscape if it does not exist already. It would be useful for landscape and education specialists to produce together a handbook of teaching methods that would be helpful to teachers in this particular field.

The most up-to-date information and communication should be available for landscape education activities. It would be useful to provide schools with materials and audiovisual equipment to help them develop and update their knowledge of landscapes.

Exchange of experience and a better multilateral dissemination of information on landscape education should be ensured through the European Landscape Convention Information System of the Council of Europe.

# Programme of activities 2013-2014 on the follow-up of the implementation of the European Landscape Convention<sup>4</sup>

http://www.coe.int/europeanlandscapeconvention

of which the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) took note on 25 June 2014

# 1. Implementation of Article 10 "Monitoring and implementation of the Convention" and Article 8 "Mutual assistance and exchange of information" of the European Landscape Convention

- Preparation of the 3rd Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), Council
  of Europe, Strasbourg, 19-21 March 2014 and of the meetings of its Bureau;
- Preparation of the 8th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention, Strasbourg, March 2015;
- Update of the European Landscape Convention website;
- Preparation of the Compendium on national policies;
- Development of Phase 2 of the Council of Europe European Landscape Convention Information System on the website, based on Recommendation CM/Rec(2008)3 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on the Guidelines for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention and on 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);
- Promotion of meetings on mutual exchange and information.

#### 2. Implementation of Article 5 – General Measures

- Organisation of the 15th Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention, "Sustainable landscapes and economy", Nevşehir, Turkey, (30 September) 1-2 October 2014;
- Publication of "Landscape dimensions" (ELC Reports), Council of Europe Publishing (Integration of landscape into policies);
- Report on "The law applicable to landscapes in comparative and international law";
- ELC Report on "Expansion of industrial zones and out-of-town shopping centres: solutions for the landscape of population";
- ELC Report on "Landscape and advertising" and draft recommendation;
- ELC Report on "Landscape and economy";
- ELC Report and draft recommendation on "Landscape and democracy".

#### 3. Implementation of Article 6 A – Specific Measures - Awareness-raising

 Distribution of the magazine Futuropa, for a new vision of landscape and territory on "Landscape and public space: the human scale" (No. 3, 2012).

### 4. Implementation of Article 6 B - Specific Measures - Education

- Preparation of Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2013)... of the Committee of Ministers to member States on promoting landscape awareness through education;
- Publication of the Report on "Landscape and education" (CEP-CDCPP (2013) 9);
- Preparation of pedagogical materiel for landscape education in primary and secondary schools;
- Promotion of meetings on education and summer universities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Appendix 12 of the Report of the 7th Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention, Strasbourg, 26-27 March 2013 - CEP-CDCPP (2013) 12E, Addendum – Up dated according to the Joint Statement of member States of the Council of Europe for the Working Programme of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), adopted at the 2nd Meeting of the CDCPP, Strasbourg, 27-29 May 2013 - CEP-CDCPP (2013) 29 E, Appendix IX and of which the CDCPP took note CDCPP(2014)20.

### 5. Implementation of Article 7 "International policies and programmes" of the European Landscape Convention

- Promotion of the consideration of the landscape dimension of sectoral policies of the European Union (Policies of Agriculture and Education) and other international policies and programmes;
- Preparation of a Draft Protocol to the Convention.

# 6. Implementation of Article 8 "Mutual assistance and exchange of information" of the European Landscape Convention

- Publication of the proceedings of the 10th Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention on "Multifunctional Landscape". Evora, Portugal, 20-21 October 2011;
- Publication of the proceedings of the 12th Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention and International CEMAT Symposium on "Visions for the future of Europe on territorial democracy: landscape as a new strategy for spatial planning", Thessalonica, Greece 2-3 October 2012 (Public participation);
- Publication of the proceedings of the 13th Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention on "The future of the territories, landscape identification and assessment: an exercise in democracy", Cetinje, Montenegro, 2-3 October 2013 (Democracy);

### 7. Implementation of Article 9 "Transfrontier landscapes" of the European Landscape Convention

- Organisation of the 16th Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention, "Landscape and transfrontier cooperation", Andorra la Vella, Principality of Andorra, 1-2 October 2015:
- Development of transfrontier cooperation with the organisation of transfrontier meetings;
- Distribution of the magazine Futuropa, for a new vision of landscape and territory on "Landscape and transfrontier cooperation" (No. 2, 2010).

# 8. Implementation of Article 11 "Landscape Award of the Council of Europe" of the European Landscape Convention

- Organisation of the 4th Session of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe according to Resolution CM/Res(2008)3 of the Committee of Ministers, 2014-2015;
- Publication on the Council of Europe Landscape Award Session 2012-2013;
- Organisation of the 14th Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention on "Forum of the national selections for the Council of Europe Landscape Award – Session 2012-2013", Wroclaw, Poland, (10) 11-12 June 2014;
- Publication of the proceedings of the 11th Workshop for the implementation of the Convention on "Council of Europe Landscape Award Forum of National Selections – Sessions 2008-2009 and 2010-2011";
- Publication of the proceedings of the 14th Workshop for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention on "Forum of the national selections for the Council of Europe Landscape Award – Session 2012-2013", Wroclaw, Poland, (10) 11-12 June 2014.

#### See:

 The 'Landscape Award of the Council of Europe' part of the website of the European Landscape Convention

Link to the website: http://www.coe.int/europeanlandscapeconvention

 Publication "Landscape Award of the Council of Europe", Council of Europe's European Spatial and Landscape series, 2012, N° 96 (presentation of achievements of the Sessions 1 and 2 of the Award)
 Link to the publication:

http://www.coe.int/t/dq4/cultureheritage/heritage/Landscape/Publications/LandscapeAwards en.pdf

Council of Europe Landscape Alliance of the European Landscape Convention

Link to the website: http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/cultureheritage/heritage/Landscape/Alliance/default\_en.asp

Comments from the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP)

for the attention of
the Rapporteur Group on Education, Culture, Sport, Youth and Environment (GR-C)

# on the Recommendation 2038 (2014) "Europe's endangered heritage" of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

as adopted by the Bureau the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), on behalf of the CDCPP, on 25 June 2014

The Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP):

- thanks the Committee of Ministers for consulting it on the Recommendation 2038 (2014) on "Europe's endangered heritage" of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe for possible comments;
- in order to increase synergy and effectiveness of activities, expresses its full availability to provide its expertise for future works, decisions and recommendations of the Council of Europe;
- referring to its Terms of Reference approved at the 1185th meeting of the Committee of Ministers' Deputies on 20 November 2013, provides the following comments:

In accordance with its Programme of Work for 2014-2015 [CDCPP(2014)6], the follow-up of the Parliamentary Assembly Recommendation is ensured by:

- providing support to member States on devising appropriate strategies and actions aimed at carrying out national obligations for preservation of endangered heritage during the current crisis;
- applying an integrated approach to broaden the concepts of culture, heritage and landscape in terms of human rights and democracy for the individual and social well-being of communities and promoting the idea of "living together in diversity";
- developing and using culture, heritage and landscape values to promote an innovative model for democracy and governance focusing on responsibility and participation;
- fostering sustainable socio-economic development through culture, heritage and landscape resources;
- implementing the Council of Europe approach around three main axes: values and principles, policies and strategies and field action;
- providing support to member States through best practices on improving living spaces, social inclusion and quality of life, in line with the Granada, Valletta, Faro, Landscape Conventions and their action plans;
- strengthening professional networks, such as the European Heritage Network, and partnerships reflecting the diversity of necessary skills, knowledge and experience to ensure innovation and participation, collecting relevant information on a shared knowledge base;
- promoting social inclusion and democratic participation through a focus on heritage and diversity, implemented through distinctive field-based work and technical assistance based on member States' needs at national, regional and local levels, as well as the transnational dimension;
- assisting authorities to devise appropriate strategies and develop capacities in order to manage and benefit from their resources and socio-economic development processes.

Noticing a few possible points of improvement in the report and recommendation submitted to consultation, the CDCPP wishes to make use of this opportunity to stress the fact that it would have been positive:

- to add a reference to the Convention for the Protection of the Architectural Heritage of Europe (Granada) and the European Convention on the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage (Valletta) besides the Faro and European Landscape Convention under point 2 of Recommendation 2038 (2014);
- to refer more precisely to the notions of "restoration of monuments <u>and sites</u>" under point 4.3 of this recommendation; and to the HEREIN network as a "unique network of governmental <u>institutions</u> and agencies" under point 4.5; as well as to "<u>local and</u> regional initiatives, including in South East Europe, the South Caucasus, the Black Sea and other European regions" under point 4.5; and
- to also refer to the topic of landscape when mentioning "integrated activities between culture, landscape, heritage, education and youth sector of the Council of Europe" under point 4.1.

In order to increase synergy and effectiveness of activities, the CDCPP recommends finally to communicate to the Parliamentary Assembly its full availability to provide its technical expertise for future works, decisions and recommendations related to its field of competences, namely culture, landscape and heritage.

### Draft Recommendation CM/Rec(2014)...of the Committee of Ministers to member States on intercultural integration

as adopted by the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP) on behalf of the CDCPP on 25 June 2014

The Committee of Ministers, 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 greater unity between its members and that this aim may be pursued, in particular, through common action in the fields of migration, integration and community relations;

Having regard to the pioneering work of the Council of Europe in the field of intercultural dialogue, in particular the "White paper on intercultural dialogue: Living together as equals in dignity", which underlines the importance of creating spaces for cross-cultural exchange and debate, facilitating access to and exercise of citizenship and fostering intercultural competence, particularly at the local level;

With reference to the report of the Group of Eminent Persons of the Council of Europe "Living together: Combining diversity and freedom in 21st-century Europe", which emphasises the key role of cities in managing diversity, fostering a pluralistic identity and creating open societies by bringing members of different groups into close and constructive contact, and which showcases cities that have adopted an intercultural approach to integration;

Recalling the Additional Protocol to the European Charter of Local Self-Government, Recommendation (2001)19 on the participation of citizens in local public life, Recommendation (2005)3 on teaching neighbouring languages in border regions and the Strategy for Innovation and Good Governance at Local Level;

Underlining that managing diversity in full respect for the principles of democracy and human rights is a common challenge for all societies throughout Europe, and indeed worldwide, and that migrant integration strategies are ineffective and unsustainable without appropriate diversity strategies;

Noting that access to citizenship, education, public services, the labour market and cultural life can only be equitable if governance and institutions are designed for culturally diverse communities and managed by culturally competent individuals and teams;

Recognising that a solid body of research both in Europe and worldwide has demonstrated the value of diversity for human and social development and cohesion, economic growth, productivity, creativity and innovation and that these benefits of diversity can only be realised on condition that adequate policies are in place to prevent conflict and foster equal opportunities and social cohesion;

Emphasising that the Council of Europe supports and facilitates the search for novel approaches to diversity management that remedy shortcomings of past policies and enable the realisation of the advantages of diversity, and that such an approach – called intercultural integration – has been developed through a process of structured policy review, peer learning and evaluation in the context of "Intercultural cities<u>"</u>, a joint initiative of the Council of Europe and the European Union;

Considering that the intercultural integration approach builds upon Council of Europe instruments and standards in the fields of cultural diversity, the protection of minority cultures, intercultural competence, multi-lingualism, intercultural education, the fight against racism and xenophobia, the prevention of hate speech, the role of media in fostering of a culture of tolerance, the interaction between migrants and receiving societies and the intercultural competence of social services;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The term "cities" in the title "Intercultural cities" is used in a generic sense and designates cities as well as towns and districts in larger cities or metropolitan areas.

Underlining that culture and cultural heritage play an important part in building the city as a shared common public space by encouraging people in exploring the plurality of identities through the diversity of heritage and contemporary cultural expressions, and in fostering a sense of a shared past and an aspiration to a common future:

Acknowledging that cities are at the front line of integration and diversity management, are laboratories for policy innovation and that they make an important contribution to social cohesion by adopting an intercultural approach to integration and diversity management;

Noting Recommendation 261 (2009) on intercultural cities of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe which points out that strong inclusive intercultural cities that have succeeded in encouraging citizens of diverse origins to identify with their city demonstrate a capacity for innovation and are able to use the resources, skills and creativity of their populations to increase the city's attractiveness and to bring new investment and job opportunities;

Underlying that measures such as those outlined in "The intercultural city step by step: Practical guide for applying the urban model of intercultural integration" foster cohesive and inclusive diverse local communities. Such measures include in particular promoting public discourse which emphasises shared values and strives to build a pluralistic and diverse urban identity; policies, institutions and services which are adapted to a diverse citizenry, intercultural competence of local officials and actors, and active participation of all in local governance,

Recommends that the governments of member States:

- a. take note of the guide "The intercultural city step by step: Practical guide for applying the urban model of intercultural integration" and facilitate its dissemination, including via its translation into their official languages;
- b. bring the urban model of intercultural integration model and the tools which have been designed to facilitate its implementation and measure its impact<sup>7</sup>, to the attention of local and regional authorities, as well as relevant national, regional and local institutions, organisations and networks, via the appropriate national channels:
- c. encourage within their means of competences the implementation of the urban model of intercultural integration at the local level and support the setting-up of city networks for the exchange of experience and learning in this respect;
- d. take the urban model of intercultural integration into account when revising and further developing national migrant integration policies, or policies for intercultural dialogue and diversity management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/cultureheritage/culture/Cities/ICCstepbystepAugust2012.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> www.coe.int/interculturalcities