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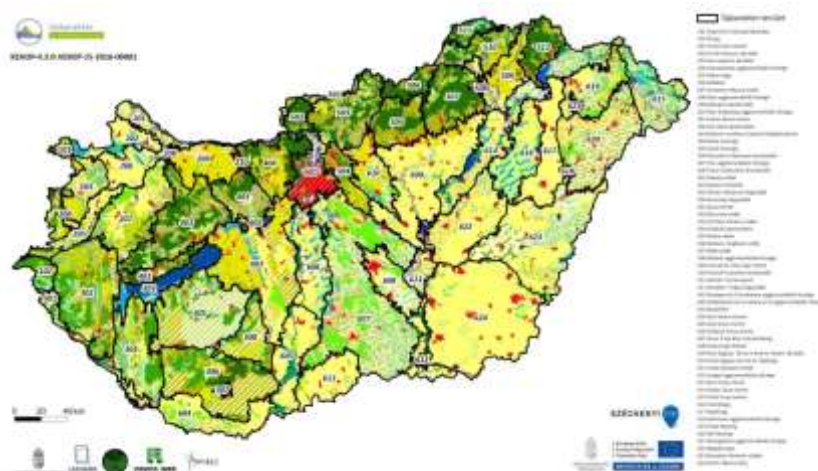
LANDSCAPE CONVENTION

NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE
LANDSCAPE CONVENTION IN HUNGARY
ON THE OCCASION OF THE INTERNATIONAL LANDSCAPE DAY

*Symposium organised under the auspices of the Presidency of Hungary
of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe*

PROGRAMME

Council of Europe,
Budapest, European Youth Centre
Room A
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online meeting



Landscape character areas of Hungary

The National Symposium on the implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention in Hungary was organised in Budapest, Hungary, on 21 October 2022, by the Ministry of Agriculture of Hungary, in consultation with the Council of Europe – Secretariat of the Convention, Directorate of Democratic Participation –, within the framework of the Work Programme of the Convention.

Introduction

As an international intergovernmental organisation created in 1949, and whose headquarters are located in Strasbourg (France), the **Council of Europe** has 47 member States: Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Republic of Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Kingdom. Its main objectives are to promote democracy, human rights and the rule of law, and to seek common solutions to the main problems facing European society today.

The **Council of Europe Landscape Convention** aims to promote landscape protection, management and planning and to organise international co-operation. It applies to the entire territory of the Parties and covers natural, rural, urban and peri-urban areas. It concerns landscapes that might be considered outstanding, as well as everyday or degraded landscapes. The Convention represents the first international treaty exclusively devoted to all the dimensions of the landscape, considered from a perspective of sustainable and harmonious development. To date, 40 States have ratified it: Andorra, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, North Macedonia, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Kingdom. One further State has signed the Convention: Malta. The Council of Europe Landscape Convention was adopted by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe on 19 July 2000 in Strasbourg and opened for signature by the member States of the Organisation in Florence (Italy) on 20 October 2000. The opening of the Convention to non-European States following the entry into force of its amending protocol on 1st July 2021 is an opportunity to reaffirm the universality of the landscape dimension of human rights and democracy.

Organised by the Council of Europe on a regular basis since 2002, the **Meetings for the implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention** aim to present new concepts and achievements in favour of the implementation of the Convention. They thus represent a genuine forum for sharing practices and ideas. Special emphasis is given to the experiences of the State hosting the meeting. The following Meetings have previously been organised:

- 23-24 May 2002, Strasbourg (France): “Landscape policies: contribution to the well-being of European citizens and to sustainable development (social, economic, cultural and ecological approaches); Landscape identification, evaluation and quality objectives, using cultural and natural resources; Awareness-raising, training and education; Innovative tools for the protection, management and planning of landscape”
- 23-24 October 2003, Yerevan (Armenia): “Spatial planning and landscape in Armenia”
- 27-28 November 2003, Strasbourg (France): “Integration of landscapes in international policies and programmes and transfrontier landscapes; Landscapes and individual and social well-being; Spatial planning and landscape”
- 26-27 April 2004, Moscow (Russian Federation): “Spatial planning and landscape”
- 6-8 May 2004, Tulcea (Romania): “Landscape and spatial planning”
- 16-17 June 2005, Cork (Ireland): “Landscapes for urban, suburban and peri-urban areas”
- 15-16 December 2005, Tirana, Albania: “The contribution of Albania to the implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention”
- 11-12 May 2006, Ljubljana (Slovenia): “Landscape and society”
- 28-29 September 2006, Gerona (Spain): “Landscape quality objectives: from theory to practice”
- 4-5 June 2007, Andorra La Vella (Andorra): “Landscape of Andorra”

- 20-21 September 2007, Sibiu (Romania): “Landscape and rural heritage”
- 24-25 April 2008, Piestany (Slovakia): “Landscape in planning policies and governance: towards integrated spatial management”
- 8-9 October 2009, Malmö (Sweden): “Landscape and driving forces”
- 15-16 April 2010, Cordoba (Spain): “Landscape and infrastructures for the society”
- 20-21 October 2011, Evora (Portugal): “Multifunctional landscape”
- 4-5 June 2012, Carbonia, Sardinia (Italy): “Council of Europe Landscape Award Forum of National Selections – Sessions 1 (2008-2009) and 2 (2010-2011)”
- 2-3 October 2012, Thessalonica (Greece): “Vision for the future of Europe on territorial democracy: landscape as a new strategy for spatial planning. Another way to see the territory involving civil society...”
- 2-3 October 2013, Cetinje (Montenegro): “Territories of the future: landscape identification and assessment: an exercise in democracy”
- 11-12 June 2014, Wroclaw (Poland): “Council of Europe Landscape Award Forum of National Selections – Session 3 (2012-2013)”
- 1-2 October 2014, Urgup (Turkey): “Sustainable landscapes and economy: on the inestimable natural and human value of the landscape”
- 1-2 October 2015, Andorra la Vella (Andorra): “Landscape and transfrontier co-operation: the landscape knows no boundary”
- 9-10 June 2016, Budapest (Hungary): “Council of Europe Landscape Award Forum of National Selections – Session 4 (2014-2015)”
- 5-6 October 2016, Yerevan (Armenia): “National policies for the implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention: challenges and opportunities”
- 5-6 September 2017, Brno (Czech Republic): “The implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention at local level: local democracy”
- 25-26 January 2018, Trebinje (Bosnia and Herzegovina): “The implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Drawing landscape policies for the future”
- 9-10 March 2018, Tbilisi (Georgia): “The implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention in Georgia: Interministerial Round-Table: Integration of the landscape into policies”
- 20-21 June 2018, Daugavpils (Latvia): “Council of Europe Landscape Award Forum of National Selections – Session 5 (2016-2017)”
- 3-4 October 2018, Tropea (Italy): “Landscape and education”
- 19-20 October 2018, Zagreb (Croatia): “Integrated approach to landscape protection, planning and management in Croatia”
- 14-15 March 2019, Seville (Spain): “Water, landscape and citizenship in the face of global change”
- 26-27 November 2019, Strasbourg (France): “The implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention in France: Landscapes from here and elsewhere, diverse perspectives on some landscape approaches at different scales, on both sides of borders”
- 19-20 October 2020, [Lausanne, Switzerland]: “Landscape integration in sectoral policies”
- 21-22 October 2020, [Geneva, Switzerland]: “Council of Europe Landscape Award Forum of National Selections - 6th Session 2018-2019”
- 6-8 October 2021, Palma de Majorca (Spain): “Landscape policies! Strategies, Action plans and Policy documents for landscape quality”

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 Landscape Convention website: www.coe.int/en/web/landscape/workshops; www.coe.int/en/web/landscape/publications

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Objectives

The purpose of the Symposium is to present and debate on public policies in Hungary for the implementation of the Council of Europe Convention. In particular, Article 5 of the Convention provides that its Parties undertake:

- to recognise landscapes in law as an essential component of people’s surroundings, an expression of the diversity of their shared cultural and natural heritage, and a foundation of their identity;
- to establish and implement landscape policies aimed at landscape protection, management and planning, through the adoption of the specific measures set out in Article 6 of the Convention ;
- to establish procedures for the participation of the general public, local and regional authorities, and other parties with an interest in the definition and implementation of the landscape policies;
- to integrate landscape into their regional and town planning policies and in their cultural, environmental, agricultural, social and economic policies, as well as in any other policies with possible direct or indirect impact on landscape.

Websites

- **Council of Europe Landscape Convention**
www.coe.int/LandscapeConvention
www.coe.int/Conventiondupaysage
- **Ministry of Agriculture of Hungary**
<https://2015-2019.kormany.hu/en/ministry-of-agriculture>

Venue

The meeting was held at the Council of Europe, European Youth Centre, Budapest, Hungary.

Participants

The Symposium was aimed at government officers – members of the Council of Europe Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), of the CoE Conference on the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, and representatives of other ministries –, representatives of local and regional authorities, professionals, academics, representatives of governmental and non-governmental organisations, and other persons, working in the fields of landscape and sustainable development, with its environmental, cultural, social and economic dimensions.

Working languages

The working languages are Hungarian and English.

Programme

The programme of the Meeting is on the Council of Europe website of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention at the following address: [National Symposium on the implementation of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention in Hungary \(coe.int\)](#)

or

- [National/Regional Symposiums on the Council of Europe Landscape Convention \(coe.int\)](#)
- [Council of Europe Landscape Convention / Official website \(coe.int\)](#)
(under “Meetings”/ “Workshops”).

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Photo 1: Landscape character areas of Hungary @ Ministry of Agriculture

Photo 2: Balázs RAVASZ / Autumn morning at Lake-Külső / Balaton-highland National Park @ Ministry of Agriculture, Magical Hungary

Photo 3: Let's think together on landscape character and change of it! @ Ministry of Agriculture, Patkós Stúdió

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THURSDAY 21 OCTOBER 2021

8.30-9.00

Welcome and registration

9.00-10.00

OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE

Moderator: Mrs Krisztina KINCSES, National Representative of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, Hungary

Welcome speeches

Mr Péter SZTÁRAY Dr., State Secretary for Security Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hungary

Mr András RÁCZ Dr., State Secretary for Environmental Affairs, Ministry of Agriculture, Hungary

Mrs Maguelonne DÉJEANT-PONS Dr., Executive Secretary of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention

Mr Gilles RUDAZ Dr., Chair of the Council of Europe Conference of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, Switzerland

Mrs Flora van REGTEREN ALTENA, Chair of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape of the Council of Europe, Netherlands

Break

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10.00-12.30

SESSION I. LANDSCAPE CHARACTER OF HUNGARY – ACHIEVEMENTS

10.00-10.30

The process and key methodical issues of landscape character identification and assessment in Hungary

Mrs Éva KONKOLY-GYURÓ Prof. Dr., University of Sopron, Landscape Atelier, Hungary

10.30-10.45

The results of identifying and evaluating landscape character types in Hungary - National level

Mrs Mónika CSŐSZI, Senior Spatial Planner, Lechner Knowledge Center, Hungary

10.50-11.10

Integration of outdoor learning activities in landscape character assessment

Mr Zsombor BOROMISZA PhD, Vice Director, Head of Department, Buda Campus, Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Hungary

11.10-11.30

Attitudes of local citizens towards the landscape and landscape research

Mr Péter CSORBA Prof. Dr., University of Debrecen, Hungary

11.30-11.50

Online questionnaire contribution to landscape character assessment

Mr Sándor JOMBACH PhD, Hungarian University of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Hungary

11.50-12.10

Historic landscape character assessment as a basis for future landscape quality objectives

Mr Pál BALÁZS PhD, University of Sopron, Hungary

12.10-12.30

Landscape character of Hungary – Summary of achievements and challenges

Mrs Krisztina KINCSES, National Representative of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, Hungary

12.30 *Lunch*

PHOTO EXHIBITION – Selection of photos of “Magical Hungary”



Photo: Balázs RAVASZ / Autumn morning at Lake-Külső / Balaton-highland National Park (Magical Hungary)

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14.00-16.00

SESSION II. LANDSCAPE MONITORING – GOOD PRACTICES FROM EUROPE

14.00-14.30

Landscape monitoring in Switzerland

Mr Gilles RUDAZ Dr., Policy Advisor, Chair of the Council of Europe Conference of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, Switzerland

14.30-15.00

The national landscape policy in France

Mrs Emilie FLEURY-JÄGERSCHMIDT, Landscapes Officer, Directorate General for Planning, Housing and Nature, Ministry of Ecological Transition, France

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15.00-15.30

Launch of an interactive instrument: “Landscape analyst – interactive landscape layout”

Mrs Eszter FENTŐSI, Patkós Stúdió, Hungary



Let's think together on landscape character and change of it! (Ministry of Agriculture – Patkós Stúdió)

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15.30-16.00

Discussion on landscape monitoring

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16.00-16.15

CLOSING OF THE CONFERENCE

Mrs Krisztina KINCSES, National Representative of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, Hungary

Mr Gilles RUDAZ Dr., Chair of the Council of Europe Conference of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, Switzerland

Mrs Maguelonne DÉJEANT-PONS Dr., Executive Secretary of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention
