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Convention	Date de signature (dd/mm/yyyy)	Date de ratification (dd/mm/yyyy)
Granada	06/13/1986	01/06/1989
Valetta	04/08/1998	04/26/2000
Florence	11/21/2001	06/21/2006
Faro		

7.1.A Brief Overview

Granada:

Cyprus ratified the Granada Convention on January 7th, 1987 (Law No. 165/1988). Since then, a lot has been done for the conservation, protection and enhancement of the architectural heritage of the island. According to the requirements of the Granada Convention Cyprus has adopted the policies and actions for the following: 1. Documentation of architectural heritage (Article 2) - architectural heritage inventory of Cyprus. 2. Legal protection of architectural heritage (Articles 3,4,5 Following the Architectural Heritage Inventory, Preservations Orders are issued, encompassing historic structures all over Cyprus. Moreover, for restoration work, as well as any alteration, change of use, partial demolition etc, carried out on Listed Buildings or Ancient Monuments, a special Consent is required, in addition to the regular planning and building permits. Restoration work is regularly inspected, while appropriately trained personnel of the Department periodically provide on-site guidance during the progress of work. 3. Incentives (Article 6): To encourage restoration and revitalization of listed buildings, a package of incentives has been introduced since 1985. Incentives provided through the Listed Building Law of 1992 are upgraded periodically to accommodate inevitable rises in restoration costs and other needs that arise. 4. Integrated conservation policies (Article 7, 10, 11, 12,13): In order to ensure the conservation, protection and enhancement of the architectural heritage, the government in cooperation with the Local Authorities adopted integrated conservation policies included in the development plans and in the implementation process. 5. New uses (Article 11) : Protected properties can be adapted to meet the needs of contemporary life, whether keeping the historic use or adapting it, when appropriate. The introduction of new uses in the historic centres resulted the regeneration and the enrichment of the activities of the area where they are situated. 6. Sanctions (Article 9): Sanctions are applied in the case of illegal demolition or alteration of a listed property. 7. Participation and associations (Article 14): In order to achieve a dialogue between architects and authorities, the government has suggested the establishment of Advisory Committees with the participation of experts from NGOs in order to ensure a wider acceptance on the aesthetic values of any structure in the historic cores. Furthermore, new tools of planning were introduced to ensure greater citizen participation in the planning process. 8. Awareness raising and training (Articles 15, 16): Various events and conferences promoting the understanding of heritage preservation and enhancement are organized. In addition, a number

of heritage related events are organised within the framework of the Council of Europe's European Heritage Days, through which public awareness has been raised, especially among the youth. 9. European dimension (Articles 17, 18, 19) : Conservation policies have to a large extent been streamlined along the European prototype, while Cyprus has been actively involved at the European level in the exchange of ideas, experiences and the programmes of action regarding heritage.

Valetta:

The Convention of La Valetta for the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage of Europe (revised) was ratified on April, 26th 2000 (Law No. 9(III)/2000). Its provisions reflect on the Legislation related to the Antiquities.

Florence:

The European Landscape Convention was ratified on June, 21st, 2006 (Law No. 4(III)/2006). Since its ratification a project concerning the classification of cultural landscapes was launched. Provisions, taking into account the preservation of the landscape are included in the Development Plans and the Policy Statement for the Countryside drafted by the Department of Town Planning and Housing.

▼ **7.1.B If your state has not yet ratified all of these conventions, please briefly describe the efforts being made to reach this**

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Faro:

▼ **7.1.C Council of Europe Recommendations about cultural heritage reflected / incorporated in legislation or policy of your state.**

7.1.C Recommendations:

Recommendation	Theme	Reflected/incorporated in Legislation	Reflected/incorporated in Policy	Not applic
Rec (1980) 16	Specialised training	No	No	No
Rec (1981) 13	Declining craft trades	No	No	No
Rec (1985) 8	Film heritage	No	No	No
Rec (1986) 11	Urban open space	No	No	No
Rec (1986) 15	Architectural heritage - Craft trades	No	Yes	No
Rec (1987) 24	Industrial towns	No	Yes	No
Rec (1989) 5	Archaeology - town / country planning	Yes	No	No
Rec (1989) 6	Rural architectural heritage	Yes	No	No
Rec (1990) 20	Industrial, technical and civil engineering heritage	No	Yes	No
Rec (1991) 6	Funding architectural	Yes	No	No

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Rec (1991) 13	20th Century architectural heritage	No	Yes	No
Rec (1993) 9	Architectural heritage / natural disasters	No	No	No
Rec (1995) 3	Documentation architectural heritage	No	No	No
Rec (1995) 9	Cultural Landscapes	No	No	No
Rec (1996) 6	Protection against unlawful acts	No	No	No
Rec (1997) 2	Physical deterioration - pollution	No	No	No
Rec (1998) 4	Historic complexes, immovable and moveable property	Yes	No	No
Rec (1998) 5	Heritage education	No	No	No
Rec (2001) 15	History teaching	No	No	No
Rec (2003) 1	Tourism as a factor for sustainable development	No	Yes	No
Rec (2004) 3	Geological heritage	No	No	No
Rec (2005) 13	University heritage	No	No	No
Rec (2008) 3	Guidelines - implementing the Landscape Convention	No	Yes	No

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