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## 1. Opening of the meeting by the Chair

The meeting was opened by the Chair, Mr Kimmo Aulake (Finland), who welcomed the participants (Appendix I) and shared some thoughts on the importance of the CDCPP's increasingly coherent and effective work programme. The Committee thanked the Director of Democratic Governance, Ms Claudia Luciani for her brief introduction to the latest developments at the Council of Europe.

## 2. Adoption of the agenda

The Committee adopted the agenda of its 6th plenary session, as it appears in Appendix II, and thanked the Chair for his opening statements to the session.

## 3. General questions

### 3.1 *Highlights of 2016 work*

The Director of Democratic Governance introduced the document on the 2016 highlights which the Committee took note of. The Chair thanked the Secretariat for the useful summary of work achievements.

### 3.2 *State of implementation of the work programme and calendar of meetings in 2017*

The Committee took note of the state of implementation of the work programme and calendar of meetings in 2017.

### 3.3 *Committee of Ministers' decisions concerning the CDCPP*

The Committee took note of the information provided on the decisions taken by the Committee of Ministers regarding the CDCPP's work since the last CDCPP plenary session in June 2016.

### 3.4 *Granting of Observer status – request from CIVILSCAPE*

The Committee considered the application for observer status from CIVILSCAPE and decided by unanimous<sup>1</sup> vote to grant observer status to this organisation.

### 3.5 *Bureau meeting report*

The Committee took note of the meeting report of the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape that took place on 7-8 March 2017.

## 4. Elections

Election of a chair, a vice-chair and three members of the Bureau of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape.

The Committee:

- re-elected the Chair (Mr Kimmo Aulake) for a second and last term of office;
- elected Ms Giuliana de Francesca as Vice-Chair for a one-year term of office;
- elected three new Bureau members for a two-year term of office, non-renewable: Ms Gislaine Devillers (Belgium), Mr Levan Kharatishvili (Georgia) and Ms Kristina Kincses (Hungary);
- appointed Mr Alfredas Jomantas as its representative on the Governing Board of the Enlarged Partial Agreement on Cultural Routes.

## 5. Fields of activity of the CDCPP

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<sup>1</sup> Resolution CM/Res(2011)24 on intergovernmental committees and subordinate bodies, their terms of reference and working methods states, article 8.

## 5.1 Culture

- Indicator Framework on Culture and Democracy (IFCD)  
Presentation of the first thematic report on “Cultural Participation and Inclusive Societies”

The Committee:

- took note of the progress report on the IFCD and welcomed the launch of the first thematic report on Culture and Democracy;
- agreed to reply to a survey being run to enhance the IFCD tool so as to enable policy-makers to benefit optimally from this tool, and to observe the deadline for replies of 31 May;
- agreed on the importance of completing the database as far as possible with missing information on either individual sectors or countries;
- agreed to advise on partnerships and sponsorship opportunities for the IFCD and as appropriate, help with making available voluntary contributions to this innovative project.
- Compendium of Cultural Policies – towards a Consortium for the Project

The Committee:

- took note of the progress made and endorsed the development of the financing and management model for the Compendium;
- commented on the state of play with reference to the document containing the draft Statutes of the Compendium Association, the Explanatory Memorandum and the blue print for modernising the Compendium;
- suggested further clarification about the membership categories of the new association;
- emphasized the importance of the maintenance of a community of practice and requested therefore more specificity regarding the Assembly of Compendium Experts;
- asked that the deadline for written observations to the Secretariat on the draft statutes in writing be set for 31 May 2017;
- welcomed the proposal to establish the seat of the Association in the Netherlands;
- took note of the opportunity to organise the inaugural meeting of the new Association in Prague in November on the occasion of the 2nd 2017 Compendium Authors' meeting on 8-10 November.

- Cultural Policy Review of Ukraine

The Committee:

- welcomed the accomplishment of the Cultural Policy Peer Review of Ukraine and invited the Ukrainian Authorities to fully use the report findings in their current decentralisation efforts;
- took note of the requests from Georgia and the Republic of Moldova to undertake a Cultural Policy Peer Review;
- took note of the offer from Lithuania to share experience regarding the recommendations of the Ukrainian cultural policy review.
- Exchange platform on the impact of digitisation on culture

The Committee:

- noted the progress on the planning of the 4th Council of Europe Platform Exchange on Culture and Digitisation (Karlsruhe, 19-20 October 2017);
- underlined the political and cross-sectoral importance of the Council of Europe Platform Exchanges on Culture and Digitisation;
- accepted to help with ensuring publicity for the event at national level, participation by Committee members and other interested stakeholders, as well as participation in the follow-up work by an expert group.
- Draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the Challenges of Big Data for Culture, Literacy and Democracy

The Committee:

- welcomed the work on the draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the Challenges of Big Data for Culture, Literacy and Democracy;
- suggested a number of amendments to the text and agreed to send further comments by 5 June to the Secretariat in view of finalisation of the text and its approval by the Committee, and subsequent submission to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.
- Culture and Human Rights: the Wroclaw Commentaries

The Committee:

- thanked the Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni, for her intervention on the Wroclaw Commentaries and the editor, Professor Andreas Johannes Wiesand, for his presentation of this first comprehensive Handbook on Cultural Rights.

## 5.2 *Heritage*

- European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018 (EYCH)

The Committee:

- thanked Mr Michel Magnier, Director of Culture and Creativity at the European Commission for his intervention on the 2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage (EYCH);
- expressed its wish to engage fully with the EYCH and supported plans for close co-operation between the EU and the CoE on the EYCH, including on the European Heritage Days, Strategy 21, Faro Convention works, cultural routes, the Herein information system and other activities, as appropriate;
- Strategy 21 launch event, Limassol, 6-7 April 2017 (following the adoption by the Committee of Ministers of Recommendation CM/Rec(2017)1).

The Committee:

- noted the progress made on Strategy 21 and invited member states to promote it widely at national level and provide feedback to the Council of Europe in order to organise regional information sessions;
- invited all member states to provide the Council of Europe Secretariat with good practices on the implementation of the Strategy, as well as information on their follow-up procedures at national and local levels.
- Faro Convention Action Plan – state of implementation

The Committee:

- took note of the state of implementation of the Faro Convention Action Plan 2016-2017 that offers an elaborated operational structure and programming, with comprehensive good practices and guidance to showcase practical implementation and benefits of the Convention.
- HEREIN – future developments

The Committee:

- noted the results of the technical evaluation of the HEREIN system and the practical issues to be addressed for future work;
- supported reactivating the HEREIN network and system as a tool for member states, i.e. national cultural heritage coordinators and professionals, as well as for other heritage stakeholders;
- noted the need to develop a freely accessible good practices space, open for all pertinent stakeholders' contributions, to support Strategy 21's implementation;
- noted the outcomes of the HEREIN preparatory meeting held on 27 April (including both CDCPP members and HEREIN national coordinators) and agreed to work towards ensuring the capacity and flexibility of the information system in line with political priorities so as to optimize its usefulness for member states;

- underlined the importance of close cooperation between the Council of Europe Secretariat and the network of national coordinators;
- agreed to prepare an Action Plan for the attention of the CDCPP Bureau to define future developments for Herein project and exploring synergies with other information tools.
- European Heritage Days – state of implementation

The Committee:

- took note of the state of implementation of the European Heritage Days and its completed mission in supporting access, tolerance and diversity through local involvement in identifying, celebrating and promoting European Cultural Heritage;
- noted the observations by Mr Michel Magnier, Director of Culture and Creativity at the European Commission on the European Heritage Days and suggestions to strengthen the European dimension of the project.

### 5.3 *Landscape*

- 9<sup>th</sup> Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention, 23-24 March 2017

The Committee:

- took note with interest of the Report of the 9<sup>th</sup> Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention, organised under the auspices of the Cypriot Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers in Strasbourg on 23-24 March 2017 ([Report: CEP-CDCPP \(2017\) 19E](#));
- took note of the activities of the European Landscape Convention carried out in 2017 in accordance with the Work Programme and Action Plan for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention 2017-2019, as adopted by that Conference (Annex 10 of the aforementioned Report);
- welcomed the 19<sup>th</sup> Council of Europe Meeting of the Workshops of the European Landscape Convention, organised under the auspices of the Czech Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe in co-operation with the Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic, on "Implementation of the European Landscape Convention at Local Level: Local Democracy" in Brno, Czech Republic, 5-6 September 2017 (Study visit, 7 September 2017); and invited its members to take part in it;
- thanked the representative of Georgia for his proposal to host a national meeting on the implementation of the European Landscape Convention in Georgia in 2017;
- thanked the representative of Switzerland for her proposal to host the 21<sup>st</sup> Council of Europe Meeting of the Workshops of the European Landscape Convention in Switzerland in 2020;
- decided on the composition of the Working Group of the European Landscape Convention "Rights and *responsibilities* for everyone" and designated its members: Mrs Anita Bergenstrahle-Lind (Sweden), Mrs Hanna Jedras (Poland), Mrs Sanja Ljeskovic Mitrovic (Montenegro), Mrs Liv Kirstine Mortensen (Norway), the representative of the Council of Europe Conference of INGOs, and entrusted the Secretariat to designate experts.

- Draft Recommendation on the contribution of the landscape approach, as defined in the European Landscape Convention, to the exercise of democracy and human rights, within a perspective of sustainable development

The Committee:

- considering the Conceptual Report for reference on "Landscape and the European Landscape Convention's contribution to democracy, human rights and sustainable development" (*CEP-CDCPP (2017) 5E rev.*), approved the draft Recommendation as it appears in Appendix III to this document, and asked the Secretariat to submit it to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.
- Draft Resolution on the Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe

The Committee:

- approved the Draft Resolution CM/Res(2017)... on the Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe as it appears in Appendix IV to this document, and asked the Secretariat to submit it to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Session of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe

The Committee:

- took note of the Report of the Meeting of the International Jury of the Council of Europe Landscape Award of the European Landscape Convention (Strasbourg, 4-5 April 2017) and decided to send the decisions of the Jury (as they appear in Appendix V to this document) concerning the award winner, the attribution of special mentions and acknowledgements to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.
6. Information concerning other Council of Europe activities in the fields of culture, cultural heritage and landscape
- Council of Europe Convention on Offences relating to Cultural Property

The Committee:

- welcomed the recent adoption of the Council of Europe Convention on Offences relating to Cultural Property and its opening-up for signature on 19 May on the occasion of the 127<sup>th</sup> Session of the Committee of Ministers in Nicosia, Cyprus.
- Enlarged Partial Agreement on Cultural Routes

The Committee:

- welcomed the progress made and noted the state of implementation of the Enlarged Partial Agreement on Cultural Routes and of its major forthcoming events in 2017.
- European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA)

The Committee:

- took note of the state of implementation of the European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA) and welcomed co-operation opportunities on heritage-related issues.

7. Eurimages – draft recommendation on gender equality in the audiovisual sector

The Committee:

- welcomed the work on the draft Recommendation on gender equality in the audiovisual sector and examined the text;
- approved the draft Recommendation and asked the Secretariat to submit it to the Committee of Ministers for adoption.

8. Work Programme 2018-19

The Committee:

- thanked the Director General of Democracy, Ms Snežana Samardžić-Marković for her intervention and briefing on the forthcoming changes to DGII's organisational chart;
- thanked the Director of Democratic Governance for her intervention highlighting main features of the forthcoming biennium in terms of consolidation of programmes, budgets, work teams and co-operation with other international partners – specifically the European Union in the framework of the European Year on Cultural Heritage –, optimal exploitation of synergies with the Partial Agreements such as the Cultural Routes, Europa, Eurimages and the development of activities on the new Council of Europe Convention on Offences Relating to Cultural Property, as well as follow-up to the Council of Europe Conventions in the culture, heritage and landscape fields;
- held an exchange on the work programme 2018-19 and highlighted the intrinsic links of the policy sectors covered by the CDCPP with democracy and building democratic security, as well as sustainable development.

9. Any other business

The delegate from the Czech Republic reiterated the invitation to CDCPP members to participate in the 19<sup>th</sup> Council of Europe Meeting of the Workshops of the European Landscape Convention, in Brno, Czech Republic from 5 to 7 September (see paragraph 4.3).

10. Dates of the next meetings

The Committee agreed to hold its next Bureau meeting sometime in November 2017 (dates to be agreed).

11. Adoption of the list of decisions

The Committee adopted the list of decisions taken.

12. Close of the meeting

The Chair closed the meeting, thanking all the participants and Secretariat members for their valuable contributions.



## APPENDIX I

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## APPENDIX II

### AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting by the Chair
2. Adoption of the agenda [CDCPP(2017)OJ1 rev 2] For adoption
3. General questions
- 3.1 *Highlights of 2016 work* [CDCPP(2017)1] For information
- 3.2 *State of implementation of the work programme and calendar of meetings in 2017* [CDCPP(2017)2] For information
- 3.3 *Committee of Ministers' decisions concerning the CDCPP* [CDCPP(2017)3] For information
- 3.4 *Granting of Observer status – request from CIVILSCAPE* [CDCPP(2017)4] For action
- 3.5 *Bureau meeting report* [CDCPP-Bu(2017)9] For information
4. Elections [CDCPP(2017)5] For action
5. Fields of activity of the CDCPP
- 5.1 *Culture*
  - Indicator Framework on Culture and Democracy Presentation of the first thematic report on “Cultural Participation and Inclusive Societies” - IFCD Feedback questionnaire [CDCPP(2017)6 rev] For information and action
  - Compendium of Cultural Policies – towards a Consortium for the Project [CDCPP(2017)6 Add I] For information and action
  - Cultural Policy Review of Ukraine [CDCPP(2017)6 Add II]
  - Exchange platform on the impact of digitisation on culture CDCPP(2017)15] For information
  - Draft Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the Challenges of Big Data for Culture, Literacy and Democracy [CDCPP(2017)7] For information and action
  - Culture and Human Rights: The Wroclaw Commentaries - presentation by Mr Andreas Wiesand, ERICarts Institute For information
- 5.2 *Heritage*
  - Strategy 21 launch event, Limassol, 6-7 April 2017 (following the adoption by the Committee of Ministers of Recommendation CM/Rec(2017)1) [CDCPP(2017)8] For information and action
  - Faro Convention Action Plan – State of implementation
  - HEREIN – future developments
  - European Heritage Days – state of implementation
  - European Year of Cultural Heritage (2018)

### 5.3 Landscape

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9<sup>th</sup> Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention, 23-24 March 2017</li> </ul>  | [CDCPP(2017)9 + Addendum] | For information and action |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft Recommendation on the contribution of the landscape approach, as defined in the European Landscape Convention, to the exercise of democracy and human rights, within a perspective of sustainable development</li> </ul> | [CDCPP(2017)10]           | For action                 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft Resolution on the Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe</li> </ul>   | [CDCPP(2017)11]           | For action                 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5<sup>th</sup> Session of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe</li> </ul>  | [CDCPP(2017)12]           | For action                 |
| 6. Information concerning other Council of Europe activities in the fields of culture, cultural heritage and landscape  |                           |                            |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council of Europe Convention on Offences relating to Cultural Property</li> </ul>  | [CDCPP(2017)13]           | For information            |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enlarged Partial Agreement on Cultural Routes</li> </ul>   | [CDCPP(2017)14]           | For information            |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European and Mediterranean Major Hazards Agreement (EUR-OPA)</li> </ul>  | [AP/CAT(2017)2rev]        | For information            |
| 7. Eurimages – forthcoming recommendation on gender equality in the audiovisual sector  | [CDCPP(2017)16]           | For information and action |
| 8. Outlook on future work in 2018-19  | [CDCPP(2017)17]           |                            |
| 9. Any other business   |                           |                            |
| 10. Dates of the next meetings  |                           |                            |
| 11. Adoption of the abridged meeting report   | [CDCPP(2017)18]           | For adoption               |
| 12. Close of the meeting  |                           |                            |

## APPENDIX III

DRAFT RECOMMENDATION  
ON THE EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION'S CONTRIBUTION  
TO THE EXERCISE OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND  
DEMOCRACY WITH A VIEW  
TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

**Summary**

*The draft recommendation draws upon considerations developed in the report on “Landscape and the European Landscape Convention’s contribution to democracy, human rights and sustainable development” ([CEP-CDCPP \(2017\) 5E rev.](#)), particularly Appendix 2 thereof entitled “Principles for the participation of the public in the definition and implementation of landscape policies, as defined in the European Landscape Convention”, and in the report “Landscape and public participation” published in “[Landscape and sustainable development: challenges of the European Landscape Convention](#)” by Council of Europe Publishing (2006).*

*The recommendation seeks to promote the implementation of the European Landscape Convention by highlighting the Council of Europe’s intangible values in the fields of democracy, human rights and public participation.*

*The forthcoming opening of the European Landscape Convention to non-European states, through the Protocol amending the Convention, is a unique opportunity to build on the universal character of human rights and to show that the Convention provides a practical and living illustration of several human rights applicable in relation to the landscape: health, well-being, dignity, the environment, education, non-regression and public participation.*

*The “territorial” dimension of human rights and democracy, as implemented through policies aimed at protecting, managing and planning landscapes, thereby contributes to a strengthening of intercultural integration, social cohesion, living together, education for democratic citizenship and environmental education.*

*Participatory democracy for all during the process of adoption and implementation of landscape policies necessitates more precise procedures integrated into the urban and spatial/regional planning documents taking account of landscape issues.*

*Information and awareness-raising, which are essential preconditions for public participation, constitute vehicles for education in human rights and in democratic citizenship. They must be developed, so as to bring to the fore the role of the European Landscape Convention as a dynamic and practical instrument for strengthening human rights, democracy and public participation.*

*To be effective, landscape policy requires processes for evaluating its application. The Council of Europe has developed special indicators relating to social cohesion, culture and democracy; a study should be made regarding the advisability of enriching these indicators with data on monitoring the implementation of the European Landscape Convention.*

Draft recommendation CM/Rec (2017) ... of the Committee of Ministers to States Parties to the European Landscape Convention on the Convention's contribution to the exercise of human rights and democracy with a view to sustainable development

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on ... at the ... meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)*

The Committee of Ministers, under the terms of Article 15.b of the Statute of the Council of Europe (ETS No. 1);

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;

Regard being had to the European Landscape Convention (ETS No. 176) adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 19 July 2000, opened for signature by member States of the Council of Europe on 20 October 2000 in Florence and entered into force on 1 March 2004;

Taking into consideration the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted in 1948, reflecting concepts at the heart of the European Landscape Convention, such as "dignity", "culture", "education", "health", and "well-being";

Recalling that the signatory states to the Convention expressed their concern to achieve sustainable development founded on a harmonious balance between social needs, economic activity and the environment, and their desire to respond to the public's wish to enjoy high quality landscapes and to play an active part in their development;

Recalling that, according to the preamble to the Convention, the landscape contributes to human beings' personal development, representing a key element of individual and social well-being, and that the protection, management and planning of the landscape entail rights and responsibilities for everyone;

Reaffirming the principles laid down in Recommendation CM/Rec(2008)3 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on guidelines for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention, particularly those concerning public participation;

Taking into consideration the Protocol amending the European Landscape Convention (ETS No. 219), adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 15 June 2016 at the 1260th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies and opened for ratification, acceptance or approval on 1 August 2016;

Considering that, as well as European States not members of the Council of Europe, pursuant to this protocol the European Landscape Convention will be opened to the accession of non-European states;

Considering the importance of including landscape issues in regional and urban planning policies, and recalling the Nafplio Declaration "Promoting territorial democracy in spatial planning" (Resolution No. 1, 16<sup>th</sup> session of the Council of Europe Conference of Ministers Responsible for Spatial/Regional Planning, Nafplio, 17 June 2014);

Recognising that active public participation in the definition, implementation and monitoring of landscape policy is conducive to ensuring respect for human rights and democracy with a view to sustainable development;

Wishing to facilitate the introduction of the procedures for public participation laid down by the Convention, in order to allow the public to play an active role in landscape policy;

Referring to the report entitled *"Landscape and the European Landscape Convention's contribution to democracy, human rights and sustainable development"* of which the 9<sup>th</sup> Conference of the Council of Europe on the European Landscape Convention took note ([CEP-CDCPP \(2017\) 5E rev.](#));

Recommends that the governments of States Parties to the European Landscape Convention:

*a.* ensure the implementation of the dimensions of human rights linked to the landscape, 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;

*b.* respect and enforce the principles of human rights and democracy in procedures and activities relating to landscape protection, management and planning;

*c.* guarantee a right to participation by the public, local and regional authorities, non-governmental organisations and other players concerned in the definition, implementation and monitoring of landscape policies;

*d.* ensure that the public can enjoy a high-quality landscape and benefit from it in dignity and without discrimination;

*e.* implementing the principle of non-regression is the only way to secure constant improvement in the protection, management and planning of the landscape;

*f.* encourage public authorities at the national, regional and local levels, other players concerned and the media to take into consideration the landscape dimension in efforts to raise awareness of democratic citizenship within civil society;

*g.* foster landscape education to promote democratic citizenship, concerning not only outstanding landscapes but also everyday ones, particularly sensitive urban areas and degraded areas;

*h.* consider that landscape policies favour a culture of quality of life and living together, particularly in culturally diverse societies;

*i.* take into consideration the landscape dimension in instruments such as the Council of Europe's methodological guide for the development of social cohesion indicators or the Indicator Framework on Culture and Democracy.

## APPENDIX IV

DRAFT RESOLUTION  
ON THE LANDSCAPE AWARD ALLIANCE  
OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

*Summary*

*The European Landscape Convention provides for a "Landscape Award of the Council of Europe" which recognises policy or measures which local or regional authorities or non-governmental organisations have adopted to protect, manage and plan their landscape, which have proved to be lastingly effective and which can thus serve as an example to other territorial authorities in Europe.*

*On 20 February 2008 the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe adopted Resolution CM/(2008)3 on the rules governing the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe. The Award is given every two years by the Committee of Ministers, based on proposals from the Committees of Experts of the Council of Europe in charge of monitoring the implementation of the Convention.*

*"The Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe" gathers the exemplary achievements presented by the States Parties to the European Landscape Convention. They show that it is possible to promote the territorial dimension of human rights and democracy by improving the landscape features of people's surroundings.*

*Link to the website: <http://www.coe.int/en/web/landscape/landscape-award-alliance>*

Draft Resolution CM/Res(2017)...  
on the Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on ... 2017,  
at the ...th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)*

The Committee of Ministers,

Bearing in mind that Article 11 of 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 in Florence on 20 October 2000, institutes the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe (hereinafter "the Award");

Bearing in mind the Resolution CM/Res(2008)3 on the rules governing the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe;

Underlining that the Award's purpose is to reward exemplary practical initiatives for the achievement of landscape quality objectives on the territories of Parties to the Convention (hereinafter "the Parties");



Bearing in mind that the Award is in keeping with the work done by the Council of Europe in favour of human rights, democracy and sustainable development and that it promotes the territorial dimension of human rights and democracy by acknowledging the importance of measures taken to improve the landscape features of people's living conditions;

Bearing in mind that the Award is intended to heighten civil society's awareness of the value of landscapes, of their role and of changes to them;

Considering the importance of gathering the exemplary achievements presented by the States Parties to the European Landscape Convention in the framework of the sessions of this Landscape Award,

Resolves that:

- I. The exemplary achievements presented by the States Parties to the European Landscape Convention in the framework of the sessions of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe and acknowledged by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe, are part of the "Landscape Award Alliance of the Council of Europe";<sup>2</sup>
- II. The Parties are invited to encourage media coverage of the Council of Europe Landscape Award Alliance, to raise public awareness of the importance of landscape.

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<sup>2</sup>. [www.coe.int/en/web/landscape/landscape-award-alliance](http://www.coe.int/en/web/landscape/landscape-award-alliance)

APPENDIX V  
DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS  
ON THE 5<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE LANDSCAPE AWARD  
OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE

## **Summary**

*The European Landscape Convention provides in its Article 11 a Council of Europe Landscape Award. The Committee of Ministers adopted Resolution CM/Res(2008)3 on the rules governing the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe on 20 February 2008. The Award is in keeping with the work done by the Council of Europe in favour of human rights, democracy and sustainable development and that it promotes the territorial dimension of human rights and democracy by acknowledging the importance of measures taken to improve the landscape features of people's living conditions.*

*The Award was launched in 2008 and four sessions of the Award have previously been organised: in 2008-2009, 2010-2011, 2012-2013 and 2014-2015.*

*According to the Resolution CM/Res(2008)3 on the rules governing the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe, and in the framework of the organisation of the 5<sup>th</sup> Session of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe, the Parties to the Convention were invited to present through their Permanent Representatives of the Parties to the Convention the applications to the General Secretariat of the Council of Europe by 30 January 2017.*

*The Secretary received 13 application files from the following Parties: Andorra, Belgium, Czech Republic, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Norway, Serbia, Slovakia and Spain.*

*A presentation of the [Applications](http://www.coe.int/EuropeanLandscapeConvention) appears on the Council of Europe Website of the European Landscape Convention: <http://www.coe.int/EuropeanLandscapeConvention> / “Landscape Award” / “Sessions of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe” Part; or <http://www.coe.int/en/web/landscape/sessions-of-the-landscape-award>*

*The International Jury, set up as a subordinate body of the Steering Committee for Culture, Heritage and Landscape (CDCPP), in accordance with Article 10 of the European Landscape Convention, thus meet in order to examine the applications and propose the Award, possible special mentions and acknowledgements.*

*Mrs Kriztina KINCSES was appointed by the CDCPP as its representative in the Jury (Decision of the CDCPP at its 5<sup>th</sup> Plenary Session, Strasbourg, CDCPP(2016)19, Strasbourg, 13-15 June 2016, Item 5.3).*

*The CDCPP decided at its 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting (Strasbourg, 10-12 May 2017), to submit the proposals of the Jury to the Committee of Ministers.*

*In the light of these proposals, the Committee of Ministers shall grant the Award, as well as special mentions and acknowledgements. According to the Resolution CM/Res(2008)3 on the rules governing the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe, they will be presented by the Secretary General of the Council of Europe, with the participation of the Chair of the CDCPP and the Chair of the Council of Europe Conference on the European Landscape Convention, or their representatives, at a public ceremony.*

*All the achievements will be also presented at the 20<sup>th</sup> Council of Europe Meeting of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention on “Forum of the national selections for the Council of Europe Landscape Award – Session 2016-2017”, and Ceremony of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe, in June 2018.*

The Committee of Ministers is invited to decide to:

1. confer the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe on:

***Regeneration of Daugavpils Fortress to Preserve Cultural and Historical Objects***  
Daugavpils City Council, Latvia

*Award conferred for regeneration of a degraded symbolic landscape.*

“Regeneration of Daugavpils Fortress to Preserve Cultural and Historical Objects” is a large-scale project which has helped people regain ownership of a highly symbolic urban landscape. It has enabled a new urban landscape to be created, with various services made available to the public for their well-being.

2. confer identical special mentions of the Landscape Award of the Council of Europe to the following achievements:

***The hillside of the Citadel in Liège: 1999-2010. From an enclosure to a network***  
City of Liège, Belgium

*Special Mention for “Public participation”*

“The hillside of the Citadel in Liège: 1999-2010. From an enclosure to a network” is a conservation and development project with public involvement, focusing on the redevelopment of an urban landscape comprising historical, cultural and natural heritage and ensuring easier access to the site. It has seen considerable public participation from the outset.

***Landscape Regeneration of the Landscape and Archaeological Park of the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento***  
Department of Cultural Heritage and Identity of Sicily, Italy

*Special Mention for “Sustainable development and social reintegration”*

“Landscape Regeneration of the Landscape and Archaeological Park of the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento” is an excellent example of a link between internationally recognised archaeological sites and an innovative agrarian economy, involving the development of high-quality products for the well-being of both the local community and the many visitors who enjoy trips in the countryside and visits to the outstanding archaeological site.

***Alna Environmental Park: a blue green corridor of biodiversity, recreational opportunities and sustainable urban water management***  
Municipality of Oslo, Agency for Urban Environment, Norway

*Special Mention for “Social cohesion and respect of ecology”*

“Alna Environmental Park: a blue green corridor of biodiversity, recreational opportunities and sustainable urban water management” contributes to the quality of the living environment of a large urban population, who have been involved in action to secure the future of a peri-urban landscape entailing a clear sustainable development dimension for the well-being of present and future generations.

***Hriňovské lazy: Landscape of Values***  
Town of Hriňová, Slovak Republic

*Special Mention for “Preservation of a unique landscape under threat”*

“Hriňovské lazy: Landscape of Values” testifies to the ability of local players to take control of the future of their everyday landscape, which offers breath-taking features such as some of the few remaining areas of parcelled open-fields in Europe. It links several fundamental dimensions of the landscape – cultural, economic, ecological and social.

3. acknowledge the great value of each of the following achievements and make them well known to the general public as a source of inspiration:

***Inclusion and management of the Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley on the list of UNESCO world heritage sites in the cultural landscape category***

Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley management plan steering committee, Andorra

“Inclusion and management of the Madriu-Perafita-Claror Valley on the list of UNESCO world heritage sites in the cultural landscape category” benefited from the involvement of the authorities and the local population who wished to promote a sustainable landscape, maintained by farming and tourism activities which respect the high-quality natural and cultural environment.

***Education of children in strongly industrial landscapes***

Elementary School in City of Most, Czech Republic

“Education of children in strongly industrial landscapes”, a model example of educating and raising awareness among pupils living in heavily industrialised areas, helps to develop a sense of belonging to a given landscape and of responsibility for the environment and future generations. Founded on awareness and active participation, this educational approach encourages children to act as citizens concerned about the future of the landscape.

***The Shepherding Weeks***

Metsähallitus Parks and Wildlife Finland, Finland

“The Shepherding Weeks” is a remarkable project for the upkeep of a rural and woodland landscape. The commitment of citizens has enabled pastoral areas to be maintained, which is vital to the region’s ecological and agricultural future. This commitment is also essential to the preservation of traditional rural buildings, which contribute to landscape quality.

***Landscape as a link***

Saint-Paul, Réunion, France

“Landscape as a link” testifies to the ability of a group of institutions and citizens to optimise the integration of a road into the landscape within the specific context of the tropics, where biodiversity is magnified by climatic factors. The development carried out has contributed to the well-being of local residents and enables them to use the landscape in a manner in harmony with the abundance of nature.

***Developing water-codes in the centre of the city of Larissa: the Larissa experiment***

Municipality of Larissa, Greece

“Developing water-codes in the centre of the city of Larissa: the Larissa experiment” is an acknowledgment of the continuity of a landscape, from ancient times until today. The project fits into an area “sculpted” by artistic practices highlighting the significance and role of water, which is essential on an urban site. Water has regained its importance in a landscape that attests to the past, for the benefit of residents’ quality of life.

***Landscape Development and Community Sample Programme for a Liveable Village***

Local Government of Mátradereske / Roma Minority Local Government of Mátradereske, Hungary

“Landscape Development and Community Sample Programme for a Liveable Village” is a positive example of landscape development and regional economic development. It has resulted in a return to traditional farming, population stabilisation and enhanced local viability.

***Protection and Management of Zasavica Special Nature Reserve, as a tool for sustainable development***

Nature Conservation Movement of Sremska Mitrovica, Serbia

“Protection and Management of Zasavica Special Nature Reserve, as a tool for sustainable development” has promoted public awareness to discover natural habitats and public participation in initiatives to protect ecosystems and biodiversity in a way that is particularly favourable to the sustainable development of the rural environment.

***Landscape Inventory of Galicia: Public Participation for Landscape Characterisation and Planning***

Institute of Land Studies, Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning of the Government of Galicia, Spain

“Landscape Inventory of Galicia: Public Participation for Landscape Characterisation and Planning” has seen strong public participation in a process of identifying and characterising landscapes with a view to developing a landscape atlas of the Galicia region. It is a decisive step towards the development of landscape action strategies.