

ISCARSAH Annual Meeting

29 August 2022 13:30-16:00 (KST – Seoul local)

Hybrid Meeting

Meeting Minutes

1. Venue

The ISCARSAH annual meeting has been organized as a hybrid event taking part alongside the 2022 Stone Wood Earth ISCARSAH International Expert Workshop and Scientific Seminar, hosted by: the Korean Cultural Heritage Administration; the Korean National Research Institute of Cultural Heritage; the Korea Foundation for the Traditional Architecture and Technology, and; the Korea National Committee of the International Council on Monuments and Sites.

The meeting occurred in HJ Business Center Gwanghwamun Seminar Room A, Gwanghwamun Building 20th floor, 149 Sejong-daero, Jongno-gu, Seoul 03186 – and was virtually accessible through a zoom meeting hosted by the Secretary General.

2. Attendance at the Annual Meeting (in alphabetical order by membership type)

First name listed is presumed to be the preferred name. Family name is capitalized. Please notify the Secretary General if changes should be made.

A. In Person

Görün ARUN, President (Turkey); CHO In-Souk, Vice President (S. Korea); Khalid EL HARROUNI, Vice President (Morocco); Mehrdad HEJAZI, Vice President (Iran); Tom MORRISON, Secretary-General (Canada); M Margarita SEGARRA LAGUNES, Task Group Chair (Mexico); Berndt MITTNACHT (Germany); Yoshinori IWASAKI (Japan); JO Sangsun (Korea);

B. Virtual Members

Maria BOSTENARU DAN (Romania); CHUNG Wan Wong (Singapore); Patricia EMMETT (South Africa); Yohei ENDO, Task Group Co-Chair (Japan); Stephen KELLEY, Task Group Chair (USA); Arkadiusz KWIECIEŃ (Poland); Paulo LOURENCO, Committee Chair (Portugal); Arun MENON (India); Marius MOȘOARĂ (Romania); Peter PHILLIPS (Australia); Satwant RIHAL (USA); Savvas SALOUSTROS, Task Group Co-Chair (Greece); Marek SKŁODOWSKI (Poland); Patrick SPARKS (USA); Nicolas TARQUE (Peru); Carl THELIN (Sweden); Meltem VATAN (Turkey); Filippo CASARIN (Italy); Mariapaola RIGGIO (ITALY); Romuald TARCZEWSKI (Poland); Kai WEISE (Nepal);

C. Guests

Nick CLARK

D. Regrets

Radu CAZAMIR, Vice President (Romania); Marcela HURTADO SALDIAS, Vice President (Chile); Sebastian LUNGU (Romania); William DUPONT (USA); Tim MICHELS, Committee Chair (USA); Michael SCHULLER (USA); Pierre SMARS (Belgium); Ramiro SOFRONIE (Romania); Will TERON (Canada); Heinrich SCHROETER (Germany); Luca PELÀ (Spain); Nabi YÜZER (Turkey); Susan BALDERSTONE (Australia); Alessandro BARATTA (Italy); Alexandre COSTA (Portugal); Wilfred FERWERDA (Netherlands); Donald FRIEDMAN (USA); Robert FROSTICK (United Kingdom); Leo GARCIANO (Philippines); Mustafa HUMO (B+H); Marko HUTTUNEN (Finland); Ayse

Esin KULELI (Turkey); Fatima MEHDIZADEH SARADJ (Iran); Olimpia NIGLIO (Italy); Michael PITTAS (Cyprus); Nicola RUGGIERI (Italy); Pål Anders STENSSON (Sweden); Ivan STRELBITSKY (); Daniel TORREALVA (Peru); Eleftheria TSAKANIKI (Greece); Ahmet TURER (Turkey); Androniki MILTIADOU-FEZANS (Greece); Şolá AKÍNTÚNDÉ (Nigeria); Kerimcan APAK (TURKEY); Stephanos DRITSOS (Greece); Liviu GRUIA (Romania); Natasa Jurgec GURNIK (Slovenia); Şerife ÖZATA (Turkey); Thodoros PALANTZAS (Greece); Laura PECCHIOLI (Germany); Khushi SHAH (India); Evan SPEER (USA); Ian TAN (Hong Kong (UK)); Jitendra BOTHARA (New Zealand); Julian THAMBOO (Sri Lanka); Jamal Shafiq ILAYAN (Jordan/Saudi); Hossein TAJMIR RIAHI (Iran)

3. Welcome

Call to order and President Görün Arun welcomes attendees. Starting 1h43 pm

4. Approval of the 2021 Virtual meeting minutes

The meeting minutes from the Virtual ISCARSAH Meeting on 27 May 2021 were approved with a single amendment to add Mustafa Humo as in attendance.

5. Membership Announcements

Prepared by Paulo Lourenço.

Membership categories were reviewed; of which ISCARSAH has 5: Expert; Corresponding; Honorary; Associate; and Non-ICOMOS Members. Non-ICOMOS Membership is intended to be for special cases. New member applications are reviewed four times per year: March, June, September and December. When someone applies to become a member, they are asked if they wish to be listed as an emerging professional – which is seen as having less than 15 years total educational and/or professional experience. This is with the aim of building up interest and expertise in the field.

New members to be welcome this year:

A. New Expert members:

Alexandre COSTA (Portugal)
Francisco Javier PADILLA-GUERRERO (Mexico)

B. New Associate member:

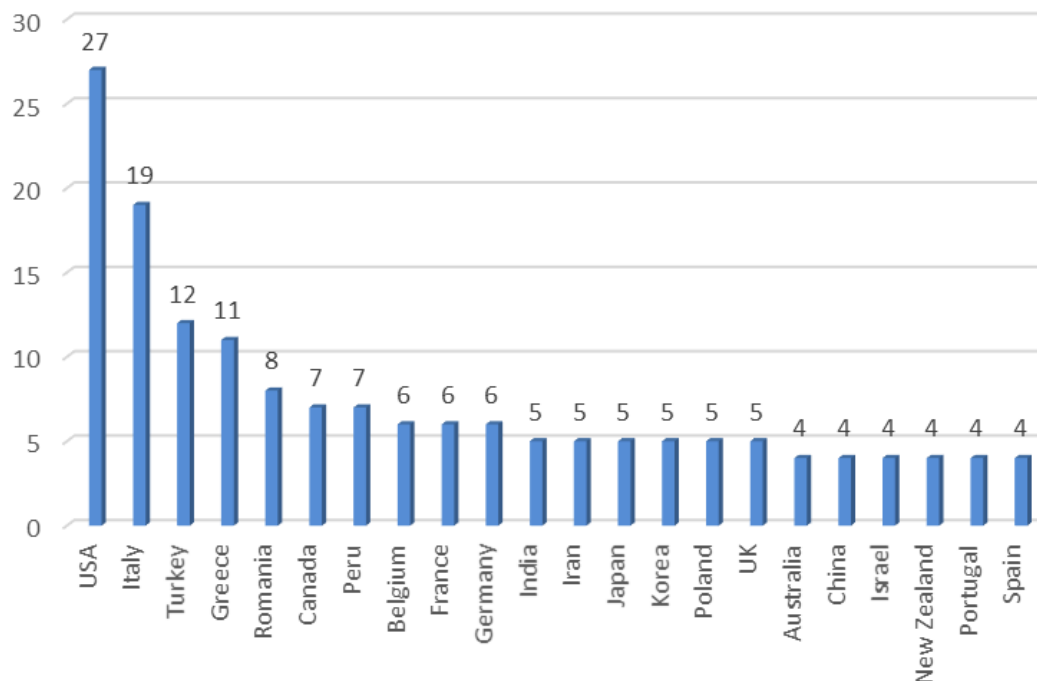
Bora PULATSU (Canada)
Daniele MALOMO (Canada)
Khushi SHAH (India)
Laura PECCHIOLI (Germany)

C. Non-ICOMOS member:

Amini Abdessemed FOUFA (Algeria)
Julian THAMBOO (Sri Lanka)
Maria Rosa VALLUZZI (Italy)

D. Membership Composition:

ISCARSAH currently has a total of 168 Members, of which 14 are Honorary; 98 are Expert; 38 are Associate; 5 are Non-ICOMOS; and, 13 are Corresponding. Membership by country (not showing those countries with less than 4) is shown in the graph below:



6. Information on ISCARSAH Activities

A. Webinars

Prepared by Stephen Kelley

ISCARSAH continues to be successful with the webinar program, it creating an accessible means to discussion conservation practice and global trends. Lessons have been learned from each webinar:

- Webinar 1: Response to Disaster in the time of COVID (21st and 22nd October 2020) had 200 participants. Production standards were high, as was speaker quality. The following was learned from the webinar: There were too many speakers and the webinar was too concentrated. We decided to limit the speakers and the webinar spacing after this first webinar. Reserving space on the Secretariat system was difficult and they made us change our dates at the last moment due to a conflict.
- Webinar 2: Earthquake and Traditional Construction, was the 'sweet spot' for the committee and was moderated by Tim Michiels. This webinar was provided over three sessions on the 25th of February, the 31st of March and the 14th of April, 2021. Each webinar had 100 attendees. High production value and presentations. The lesson learned was that a 3 part webinar is too long. Interest waned on part 3. It is best to keep it to one or two parts. Record the webinars and post them on YouTube.
- Webinar 3: Authenticity & Reconstruction, was planned and run by the emerging professionals on 13th of May, 2021. Moderated by Shaw-lar Akintunde, with more than 50 attendees and the most debate of webinars thus far. The lesson learned was that the technology needs to have a single dedicated person in charge, and that person should be located where they have stable internet.
- Webinar 4 was on Intervenciones en las Estructuras del Patrimonio Arquitectónico and provided in Spanish. This webinar was more broad in theme but was the first non-English ISCARSAH Webinar. Moderated by Marcela Hurtado the webinar resulted in elevated

interest in ISCARSAH from Latin America. The lesson learned is that it is a good idea to have webinars in other languages. The push to hold these webinars should come from the bottom up and not the top down; making it a good model for the ISCARSAH National Committees.

Discussion was open to continued use of webinars following the Ppndemic. Steve Kelley reported that he believed ISCARSAH should continue, with the following reasons why:

- Webinars will continue after the pandemic is gone.
- Webinars are a membership generator, but he did not think it should be the main purpose. The main purpose should be education and intellectual pursuit by the committee for a wider audience.
- Webinars are a way to engage our constituency beyond those of us who have the finances to attend in person seminars and meetings.
- Webinar planning and execution should be handed to a committee of our Emerging and Associate Members. It is a way to engage them in our activities while they are at the beginning of their careers.
- Steve suggested that topics be chosen, and abstracts be solicited (all prior webinars were invited speakers) for selection of speakers by a committee.
- There must be tech savvy people involved who are ready to take care of the technical aspects of the webinars.
- The lessons learned should be taken into account for future webinars
- Steve would be pleased to continue to participate and administer the webinars, more people are needed, and could just be for a single webinar topic or theme.

One question was raised regarding when the first webinar would be posted online, and it was clarified that we do not have a recording of the first webinar.

B. National ISCARSAH Chapters

Presented by Mehrdad Hejazi.

Membership criteria (suggested) was reviewed for National Committees:

- 1) National Committees should establish the requirements for membership in their respective committee.
- 2) Members of National Committees should be vetted by that Committee to assure that applicants meet the established requirements for membership.
- 3) Applications should submit their CVs during the membership process and the CVs should be made available to ISCARSAH.
- 4) All members of National Committees should be encouraged to join ISCARSAH and to submit articles for publication in the ISCARSAH Newsletter.

Administration criteria were reviewed for National Committees:

- 1) Committees can establish their own ruling bodies as fits the need of their Committee.
- 2) Executive members of Committees should be appointed by a democratic election and should have term limits.
- 3) Executive members should be elected form the members of ISCARSAH.
- 4) Suggested term limits are a maximum of three terms, each term being three years.
- 5) The National Committee should include the ISCARSAH President and the Secretary-General on any committee correspondence.
- 6) National ISCARSAH Committees should, where possible, get approval from their own National ICOMOS Committee when starting.

Meetings and Activities criteria were reviewed for the National Committees:

- 1) The National Committee should inform ISCARSAH about planned meetings and activities. A copied E-mail is adequate.
- 2) ISCARSAH will promote activities through the ISCARSAH network.
- 3) Minutes of meetings should be prepared and provided to ISCARSAH
- 4) National Committees must prepare an Annual Report for submission to ISCARSAH by 15th of March each year.
- 5) The Annual report should include an updated list of members, meetings, activities, and any other relevant information from the past year.

Current active ISCARSAH Committees are Turkey, Italy, UK, and India. Emerging ISCARSAH Committees include Korea and Iran.

ISCARSAH Turkey was established in 2017, has a 9-person board, established framework, and runs regular activities.

ISCARSAH Italy has 36 members and has been active in different conferences, workshops and webinars in the past year.

ISCARSAH UK has been providing presentations in different conferences, workshops, and webinars. Information has been shared through dissemination of booklets, articles and books, and they are active with fundraising and networking events.

ISCARSAH India has 55 members, and stated objectives aiming to promote dialogue and collaboration.

C. ISCARSAH Publications

Presented by M Margarita Segarra Lagunes

The publication of the Iranian First International Workshop on Restoration and Strengthening of Historic Structures is in the final stages. The funding was made available for translations, and an announcement will be coming in the next few months about its availability.

The next two editions of the Newsletter will be coming out soon. The Newsletter is an effective means to share information, but it needs more content. There has been a drop in submissions. Submissions can be articles, but they can also be opinion pieces, discussion pieces, or announcements.

All members are asked to submit materials for the Newsletter.

D. Website Maintenance

Prepared by Radu Cazamir, presented by Tom Morrison due to travel difficulties.

Website is stable and updates have been going smoothly. Highest numbers of visits occur alongside webinars. The highest number of visits in the past year occurred alongside the Latin America Webinar. The website is providing a good reference for information for those looking for updates. Updates are on-going.

Detailed report can be found in Appendix A.

Discussion occurred around the potential for more pictures on the website, and the concept of having the main page scroll through images. Prior conversation suggests that some consideration to this setup will be necessary. As Radu was not present due to flight problems this discussion was recorded for consideration.

Discussion occurred around creating a virtual calendar that people could submit information to. There is such a calendar with the ICOMOS site. This discussion was tabled for more information.

E. Expert Database

Presented by Gorun Arun

All members should update the expert database there are changes in profile. This database is the primary way ISCARSAH identifies who could help with international work.

7. Initiatives

A. ISCARSAH Guidelines

Presented by Pere Roca – speaking remotely.

The new Guidelines will be coming to the committee for feedback this year. This draft has been developed by the following task group members: Gorun Arun; Donald Friedman; Mustafa Humo; Stephen Kelley; Androniki Miltiadou-Fezans; Claudio Modena; Pere Roca (Chair); Margarita Segarra; Daniel Torrealva; Eli Vintzileou.

The new Guidelines will update and align further with the Principles, covering some topics that had less depth in prior versions. Due to the amount of information presented, and how well it is documented in the slide deck, the slide deck is provided as Appendix B.

In discussion Peter Phillips made aware that latest guidelines for assessing heritage impact was available at: <http://openarchive.icomos.org/id/eprint/2707/>. Kai Wiese also requested that there be further presentation and discussion as a separate meeting, which has been stated as coming.

B. Upcoming Events

Open discussion indicated that ISCARSAH would aim to have a presence at the three coming events. No additional events were raised as potential locations.

a. Proposed 2023 Meeting at SAHC Conference – Kyoto, Japan

Presented by Yohei Endo – speaking remotely.

The 2023 SAHC Conference is scheduled to be in Kyoto from September 12th to 15th 2023. Information on the conference can be found at sahc2023.org. The ISCARSAH Meeting could be at the Disaster Prevention Research Institute, Kyoto University.

The Committee supported involvement.

b. Proposed involvement at 2023 ICOMOS GA – Sydney, Australia

Presented by Peter Phillips – speaking remotely.

The ICOMOS General Assembly will be held in Sydney from 31 August to 9 September 2023 - there should be an ISCARSAH meeting there along with all the other ISCs, and you could go on to Kyoto from there. I encourage you all to come to Sydney!

The committee supported involvement.

c. Proposed 2023 DOCOMOMO Italy Joint Event

Presented by M Margarita SEGARRA LAGUNES

There is the potential for a joint workshop in Italy at the University of Perugia (location option) for first semester 2023. The joint workshop would be with DOCOMOMO Italy.

The committee was asked if this plan should be developed. The committee supported involvement.

8. New Business

Open for any new business

A. Interns.

ISCARSAH has been contacted in the past years regarding if our members are interested in hosting internships from various organizations. At this time we are not well organized to accept or help find placement of any interns. Gorun Arun suggested that we gather a list of members who would be interested in hosting, and separate them by type of work (research, consulting, etc.). Then we work to place individuals. The committee supported the plan. No organizer stepped forward in the meeting.

B. Requested Task Group

A motion was made by Stephen Kelley that there be a dedicated Task Group established in more formal capacity to be behind the Webinar. The Motion to create a specific task group on webinars passed.

9. Presentations

The following presentations were made by ISCARSAH members during the 2nd half of the meeting:

Arkadiusz Kwiecien: ICOMOS Mission on Rhaetian Railway. Presented with Nick Clark

Mustafa Humo: Preservation of 20th Century Heritage

Mehrdad Hejazi: Apparent Problems in the Tiling of the Dome of the Royal Mosque in Isfahan after Restoration – Condensed due to schedule.

Tom Morrison: ISCARSAH Principles versus Demolition – Postponed to video submission due to schedules.

10. Adjournment

The business portion of the meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm. The presentation portion of the meeting was completed at 4:10 pm.

Appendix A: Website Report

1. ISCARSAH WEBSITE

1.1. General information

The Iscarsah site is developed under the wordpress platform, a platform that is used by most public institutions or NGOs, and which offers easy access to the management of posted information without the need for advanced knowledge in IT.

From this point of view, the ISCARSAH site under the wordpress platform is easy to use and manage.

1.2. Implementations

Since the last report in May 2021, the ISCARSAH website has been maintained and new information has been added.

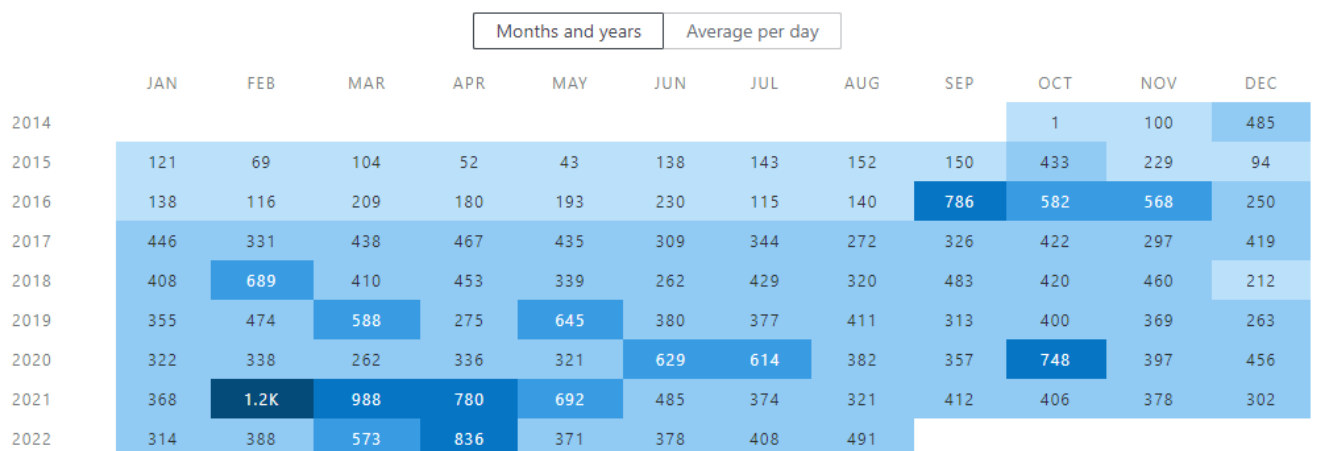
In the “Webinar” section you can find the latest webinars made by ISCARSAH, and the newest newsletter is now available for you.

A new section was created "Join ISCARSAH" where potential members can find information on how to join the organization.

PDF formats of the ISCARSAH Principles can be found in the “Documents” section of this website in English, French, Spanish, Italian, Turkish, Bosnian, Arabic and Farsi.

1.3. Site functionality


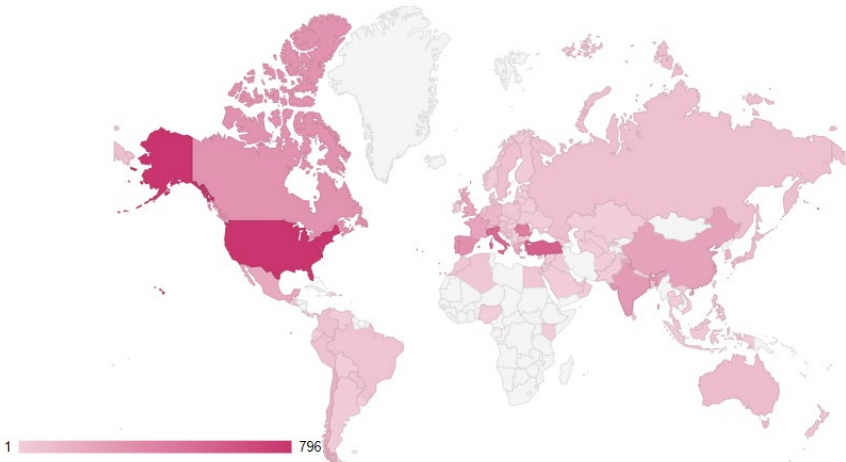















Following the updates and posts on the "News and Events" page, there was an increase in traffic on the organizational page, which reached a maximum of more 800 views in april 2022, coinciding with the realization of the INTERVENCIONES EN LAS ESTRUCTURAS DEL PATRIMONIO ARQUITECTÓNICO – April 5th 2022 webinar.



FEWER VIEWS  MORE VIEWS

1.1. VIEWS OF ISCARSAH WEBSITE around the world

In 2021 ISCARSAH site has 6741 Views

Country	Views	Stats for 2021
 United States	796	
 Turkey	569	
 Italy	523	
 Romania	419	
 Spain	317	
 Portugal	313	
 Canada	309	
 India	266	
 China	226	
 France	217	
 United Kingdom	199	
 Mexico	189	
 Greece	158	
 Chile	149	
 South Korea	122	
 Germany	110	

From 1 jan 2022 until aug 2022 ISCARSAH site has 3759 Views

Country	Views	Stats for 2022
 South Korea	369	
 Mexico	302	
 Italy	258	
 United States	241	
 Peru	223	
 Turkey	191	
 Romania	184	
 China	156	
 Spain	153	
 Portugal	112	
 Canada	107	
 Germany	104	
 Greece	102	
 India	101	

2. CONCLUSIONS

- For the next period it is desirable to increase the posting rate, as well as their distribution to social media.
- Continuous updating of information on the site.
- Regarding member list which is on site, that wasn't update, the problem about General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) still remain.

Appendix B: Guideline Update Slide Deck