

By Colleagues and Friends of the
ICOMOS IFLA International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes (ISC CL)

Dr. H.C. Hans Dorn was founder of Planungsbüro Dorn Gärten und Landschaft. Honorary member of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA), Member of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) and long-time valued member of the ISC CL. Hans spoke German, English, Swedish and Italian, allowing him to readily converse and exchange with the members of the ISC CL over the many decades from his first meetings.

Born October 04, 1928 in Schlüchtern, Hesse, Germany, Hans Dorn attended high school in Frankfurt and Schlüchtern, graduating in 1948. His professional studies took place in Stockholm, Sweden, Geneva, Switzerland, and Germany gaining his diploma in 1957, the same year that he became a member of the German Landscape Architect Association (BDLA) and from the same date a member of the International Federation of Landscape Architect (IFLA). In 1962 he participated in the IFLA Congress in Israel which began his nearly annual participation in IFLA world meetings each year. From 1972, serving his city of Frankfurt on the planning commission with the landscape architect's expertise, he organized professional excursions to cultural landscapes and gardens in Portugal, Aranjuez, Spain, Copenhagen, Vienna and Prague as study tours.

From 1983 to 1993 Hans represented the IFLA Yearbook with great success, yielding a comprehensive documentation of IFLA's activities, the scientific and practical work, competition results, planning examples, and the reports from the international conferences and other collaborations in that important publication. Following on this work in 2000, Hans collaborated with President George Anagnostopoulos, Former IFLA Treasurer Rodel, P. Downing IFLA Secretary General to prepare *IFLA: Past - Present - Future* a very useful record. Hans always focused on documentation, an invaluable tool to record new directions and recognize traditions.

In 1983 he also began his long and dedicated advocacy for cultural landscapes with his appointment Chairman for IFLA Committee Historic Gardens by the Grand Council in Munich. In 1987 the name and work were extended to IFLA Committee for Historic Gardens and Cultural Landscapes. which had become more important. Collaboration of IFLA with ICOMOS in this realm was important as well so Hans became an ICOMOS member in 1987.

From 1988 to 1996 he lectured and organized presentation on Historic Gardens and Cultural Landscape at Fulda, culminating in a 1994 ICOMOS IFLA Committee meeting at Fulda. The international speaker's reports were published in a comprehensive book *The Transition from the Baroque Garden to the English Landscape Garden*, edited by Hans Dorn.

Hans was a contributor to our ISC CL meetings from joining at the invitation of Carmon Añón in 1978 to recent times. We especially remember him hosting a lovely 75th birthday party, entertaining with musicians and champagne, at Park Pückler Muskau, Germany, October 2003.

Hans received thanks and honors in many ways in recent years. In 2000 he was awarded Dr. honoris causa from St. Istvan University of Budapest. In 2003 he received a homage at the IFLA World Council in Banff, Canada, by then IFLA President. 2004 brought the OSKAR Award for Gardens from the German Society of Garden Art and Landscape. In 2006 he completed his leadership of the IFLA Cultural Landscapes Committee at Minneapolis IFLA World Council, with

praises for his long and effective service. Most recently, in 2017 in Montreal, he was awarded honorary member of IFLA at the World Council. He life was well and fully lived, He died at Frankfurt, Germany, December 31, 2018.



1989 Hans Dorn with IFLA officers and colleagues George Anagnostopoulos, Greece, Svi Miller, Israel and Mihai Moscenyi, Hungary, speaking.



THE 29th IFLA WORLD CONGRESS.KOREA

YONG-IN FARMLAND
AUG. 29, 1992

1992 IFLA group in Korea, Hans Dorn center 2nd row and to his right Shintaro Sugio.



Darwina Neal, Geza Hajos, Mirta a la Rue, Patricia O'Donnell and Hans Dorn, in 2005, Vienna at the Schönbrunn Palace gardens on the occasion of the UNESCO meeting on Historic Cities and Contemporary Architecture.



On an IFLA tour of a mountain geological World Heritage site with Hans Dorn, in Switzerland, 2011 with Patricia O'Donnell and Jim Donovan.



Recent views of Hans Dorn garden at Elm.

Hans Dorn's garden, documented by the German television, was his enduring delight. Sculpture exhibitions, concerts and performances take place there every summer. He proposed to protect the garden as a monument, and we hope that can be accomplished to fulfil his dream.

Hans Dorn Notes of Remembrance from his Friends

ICOMOS IFLA International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes
received by Patricia M. O'Donnell, President

Email- Carmen Añón, Honorary President

Dear all, Hans was a pillar of our ISCCL. Hans has been one of the true supporters of the Committee. A dear friend, sincere, hardworking and enthusiastic collaborator. On behalf of R. Pechère, I contacted him in November 1978, and we met in Paris at the former ICOMOS headquarters in the old rue du Temple, inviting him to join the ISCCL. Since then it was always possible to count on his help, and his friendship, which I have kept for forty years, and which I have always treasured.

His Christmas congratulations were always very personal and optimistic. I've saved them all and I want to share with you some words by Goethe that he included in one of them-- For us gardeners: "Every tree entrusted to the earth is a prayer for us and at the same time a wish that we will enjoy its shade one day." Best regards, Carmen

Email- Mónica Luengo, former President, Honorary Member

Dear all, It is indeed a great loss for all of us, both as an excellent friend and also as a wonderful professional who worked without dismay. He was member of our Committee for as many years as I can remember and he always had a smile and ideas, always suggesting, always contributing.

Although I can remember so many things from him, his love for music, ... unfortunately I can only find two images during a meeting of our Committee in Prague. We will all carry him in our minds.



Monica Luengo left, Hans Dorn looking up, ICOMOS IFLA International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes Meeting Prague, 1997



Hans Dorn next to Carmen Anon, ICOMOS IFLA International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes Meeting Prague, 1997

Email Shintaro SUGIO and Wataru ONO, Tokyo, Japan, Advisory and Voting Members

It is indeed with fond memories of Dr Hans Dorn at our meetings in Germany and other places and gardens that we express our deep condolences from Japan. Sincerely

Email- Diana Henriquez De Fernández, Venezuela, Voting Member

Thank you, Patricia, for sending us the sad news about Hans. I fondly remember Him since my first IFLA conferences, Boston 89, Colombia 1991, and Thailand in 1995. He was always reminding me on how valuable Parque del Este was.

Email Darwina Neal USA, Advisory Member

Hans' loss is felt not only by IFLA, ICOMOS and the ICOMOS/IFLA Committee on Cultural Landscapes, but also by UNESCO, where he had helped establish the Melina Mercouri Prize for Cultural Landscapes, and the World Heritage Committee for which he had done some consulting, as well as by everyone he knew who had grown to value and respect him and his knowledge and opinions. I'm personally so sorry, because I've known Hans for so long as a friend and colleague, and we had many good times together, such as a lovely solo lunch by an infinity-edge swimming pool overlooking the ocean at an elegant hotel in Bali, after meetings there. He was not only an expert in historic gardens and landscapes, but also a warm, caring person, who was a joy to be around! He will be greatly missed.

Email Olga Anna Baseova, Prague, Advisory Member

The message, dealing with landscape architect BDLA Hans Dorn touched me so much. He was my good friend, attending all our ICOMOS IFLA ISC CL meetings, so wise and modest. I get his last admirable holiday wishes with Gustav Klimt picture and *Ode an die Freude* I hope to meet you and my ICOMOS friends this year even in Europe. I will bring some photos of Hans and other dear people.* With love, Olga Anna Baseova, Praha.

FACEBOOK Patricia O'Donnell, President, ICOMOS IFLA ISC CL, USA

Hans Dorn died on 31 December in Frankfurt, Germany. Hans was a leader for IFLA in the field of cultural landscapes. He chaired the IFLA CL Committee for 23 years, passing the baton to me in 2006. Contributing to the work of the joint ICOMOS IFLA Committee over many years he was a valued expert. Visiting with him in Montreal in 2017, he expressed great pleasure in receiving IFLA Honorary Membership. He was a good friend and a fun travel companion who will be missed.



Hans Dorn with Patricia O'Donnell at IFLA Montreal 2017, where Hans received a tribute and was awarded IFLA Honorary membership.

FACEBOOK Martha Fajardo, former IFLA President, Contributing Member and Noboru Federico Ken Kawashima, Bogota, Columbia

Our beloved Dr. Hans Dorn has passed away on the 31 December 2018 aged Ninety (90) at his home in Frankfurt. We always will remember Hans was a delightful person and a distinguished landscape architect, as evinced by the many national and international roles, and honors that he received.

Hans was honorary member of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA), Chair for many years of the ICOMOS IFLA International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes, Member of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS), UNESCO expertise and founder of his own Hans Dorn Planning Office in Frankfurt am Main, Germany.

Our deepest condolences for the loss of a great steward of the Landscape, not only as friend, but as professional greatly for IFLA, ICOMOS, UNESCO and its community. He leaves a living legacy on the preservation, management, and further development of cultural landscapes principles he has taught, projects he has designed, and several landscape architects influenced by him and projects that he has designed, a remarkable one!

We had the opportunity to be guided by him at our first IFLA Congress in Siofok in October 1984, still remember very well his kindness, charisma and our exchanges and encouragement remain very vivid in our memory. All of us loved him and he will be cherished in our memories forever. Our Sincere condolences!

IFLA NEWS, James Hayter, IFLA President, Australia

Dear colleagues, It is with great sadness that we advise of the passing away of Hans Dorn, past 31 December 2018 in Frankfurt. A significant figure in the global landscape architectural profession and friend of many.

Hans's contribution to the profession is in many fields and the influence of his works and actions has been important in the global development of the profession and in practice.

In particular, Hans is remembered as a man of integrity, strength and wisdom. His leadership within the International Federation of Landscape Architects, particularly as Chair of the ICOMOS IFLA International Scientific Committee on Cultural Landscapes, is significant and has led to a greater understanding of policy and practice within this field. Hans friendship was shared by many within IFLA over a long period of time.

I first met Hans in 2000 where he distinguished himself with his global understanding of both, the landscape architectural profession and the rapid emergence of cultural landscapes as one of the defining attributes of our profession. His influence was not only within IFLA, but also his representation extended to ICOMOS and UNESCO. I will remember Hans as a man of intelligence, style and humility. Our sincere condolences for his loss.



Hans Dorn, Landscape Architect, 80th Birthday photograph. ©Felix Seuffert