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World Heritage and Sustainable Development

WHS Alumni Conference

Brandenburg University of Technology (BTU) Cottbus, Germany**16 – 19 June 2011****Registration Deadline: 25 April 2011**

The International Association of World Heritage Professionals e.V. (IAWHP e.V.) is organising a WHS Alumni Conference on “World Heritage and Sustainable Development”. Supported by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and by the German Federal Foreign Office (AA) funds, this conference is the first of a series of events being organised by IAWHP e.V. since its official recognition as a non-profit organisation under German Law in 2010.

The conference aims to bring together a wide range of academics, professionals and practitioners (WHS Alumni and other experts alike) specialising in World Heritage and related fields to contribute to the ongoing discussion about the role of the World Heritage Convention in promoting sustainable development.

During three scientific sessions - Conservation and Managing Change, Climate Change and Millennium Development Goals - and related poster sessions, the participants will discuss, amongst others, the following questions:

- What does conservation in the context of World Heritage sites mean?
- What are acceptable limits of change to a particular site?
- How can the kind and level of change brought about by climate change in World Heritage sites be determined?
- Which changes are critical to the future of the built, natural, social and cultural values of heritage sites?
- How can World Heritage sites become a core asset in the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals?

Programme Overview

Thursday, 16 June – Annual Meeting of BTU WHS Alumni and IAWHP e.V. members

Friday, 17 June, and Saturday, 18 June – International Conference

Sunday, 19 June – Annual Meeting of BTU WHS Alumni and IAWHP e.V. members

Friday, 17 June

Morning

- Official Opening
Welcome Addresses: Representatives of BTU Cottbus, BTU World Heritage Studies programme, IAWHP e.V.
- Session 1: Conservation and Managing Change
Keynote Speech: Gustavo Araoz, President, ICOMOS
Moderation: David Logan, Partner, Godden Mackay Logan Pty Ltd., Australia

Afternoon

- ICOMOS Global Monitoring Network – Panel Discussion
Experts: Gustavo Araoz (President, ICOMOS), Prof. Dr. Nobuko Inaba (t.b.c., University of Tsukuba), Prof. Dr. L. Schmidt (BTU Cottbus), Prof. Dr. M. Schmidt (BTU Cottbus)
Moderation: Sheridan Burke, Partner, Godden Mackay Logan Pty Ltd., Australia

Saturday, 18 June

Morning

- Session 2: Climate Change
Keynote Speech: Guido Licciardi, Urban Specialist, World Bank
Moderation: Lutz Töpfer, Department of Environment and Cultural Assets, Deutsche Bundesstiftung Umwelt

Afternoon

- Session 3: Millennium Development Goals
Keynote Speech: t.b.a.
Moderation: Dagnija Baltina, Secretary General, Latvian National Commission for UNESCO
- Concluding Session

- The programme is still subject to change –

Registration is mandatory! The registration form and further details about the conference are available on IAWHP e.V.'s website: www.iawhp.com, and for queries related to the conference and IAWHP e.V., please write to whs.conference2011@tu-cottbus.de and info@iawhp.com respectively.