Dear Colleagues

ICICH was established in October 2005 with an interim Bureau which has since [that time] been working to lay the foundation for a call for membership of the Committee. Attached please find a membership form which we ask that you circulate to members of your national/international committee. In terms of the statutes of ICICH

“Membership is open to ICOMOS members able to demonstrate expertise and experience in any field associated with protection, maintenance and conservation of monuments and sites that have intangible cultural heritage associations.”

ICICH will hold its first meeting during the ICOMOS General Assembly in Quebec when a Bureau will be elected. The present interim Bureau appointed by the Executive Committee of ICOMOS is made up of the following members:

Andrew Hall (South Africa)  President
Marilyn Truscott (Australia)  Vice President
Angel Cabeza (Chile)   Vice President
Munish Pundit (India)  Vice President
Thabo Manetsi (South Africa)  Secretary-General

The Statutes provide for each national committee to formally nominate a single ‘voting member’ of the Committee. National committees are hence welcome to do so provided that the attached form is completed and submitted by the individual concerned.

The immediate programme of the committee, apart from supporting ICOMOS operations in intangible cultural heritage, is to work towards an international charter for this field. A draft which originated in work done around the ICOMOS General Assembly in Victoria Falls in 2003 and subsequent will shortly be circulated for comment by members.

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President