

## 1. Introduction

### 1.1 - State Party

Serbia

### 1.2 - Date of ratification of the World Heritage Convention

11/09/2001

### 1.3 - Entities involved in the preparation of Section I of the Periodic Reporting

Governmental institutions responsible for cultural and natural heritage
UNESCO National Commission
World Heritage property managers/coordinators
ICOMOS national / regional
IUCN national / regional

### 1.4 - Primary government authorities responsible for the implementation of the Convention

- Stojković Pavelka Brana  
Institute for the Protection of Cultural Monuments of the Republic of Serbia  
Architect Conservator

#### Comment

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### 1.5 - Other key institutions responsible

- Aleksandar Dragisic  
Director  
Institute for Nature Conservation of Serbia  
Domain: natural
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Director  
Institute for Nature Conservation of Serbia  
Domain: natural

### 1.6 - Comments

## 2. Inventories / lists / registers for cultural and natural heritage

### 2.1 - Cultural Heritage (Level and Status)

National	Process completed or continually updated
Regional / provincial / state	Process completed or continually updated
Local	Process completed or continually updated
Other (please provide details in 2.7)	Not applicable

### 2.2 - Natural Heritage (Level and Status)

National	Process completed or continually updated
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Regional / provincial / state	Process completed or continually updated
Local	Process completed or continually updated
Other (please provide details in 2.7)	Not applicable

### 2.3 - Are inventories/lists/registers adequate to capture the diversity of cultural and natural heritage in the State Party?

Inventories / lists / registers capture the full diversity of cultural and natural heritage.

### 2.4 - Are inventories / lists / registers used to protect the identified cultural heritage?

Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the protection of cultural heritage.

### 2.5 - Are inventories / lists / registers used to protect the identified natural heritage?

Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the protection of natural heritage.

### 2.6 - Are inventories / lists / registers used for the identification of properties for the Tentative List?

Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the identification of potential World Heritage Properties.

### 2.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to inventories / lists / registers of cultural and natural heritage (questions 2.1 to 2.6)

## 3. Tentative List

### 3.1 - Potential future nominations (Property name / anticipated year of nomination)

Stećak's - Medieval Tombstones / 2016. /
Historical place of Bač and its Surroundings / 2017. /
Fortified Monastery Manasija / 2018. /
Negotinske Pivnice / 2019. /

### 3.2 - Tools used for a preliminary assessment of the potential Outstanding Universal Value

ICOMOS thematic studies
IUCN thematic studies
UNESCO's Global Strategy for a representative, balanced and credible World Heritage List
Other global comparative analysis

### 3.3 - Level of involvement in the preparation of the Tentative List

National government institution(s)	Good
Regional / provincial / state / government(s)	Poor
Local government(s)	Poor
Other government departments	Poor
UNESCO National Commission	Good
Local authorities within or adjacent to the property	Fair
Local communities / residents	No involvement
Indigenous peoples	Fair

Landowners	Poor
Local industries	No involvement
Non Governmental Organization(s)	No involvement
Consultants / experts	Fair
Site manager / coordinator(s)	Fair

**3.4 - Was the authority(ies) listed in question 1.4 responsible for the approval and submission of the Tentative List?**

Yes

**3.5 - If not, what authority(ies) is responsible for the approval and submission of the Tentative List?**

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**3.6 - Do you intend to update your Tentative List within the next six years?**

Yes

**3.7 - Comments**

**4. Nominations**

**4.1 - Property**

Name	Date of submission	Status
Stari Ras and Sopoćani	1979-04-03	inscribed
Studenica Monastery	1985-12-31	inscribed
Dečani Monastery	2003-01-30	inscribed
Medieval Monuments in Kosovo	2005-01-04	inscribed
Biogradska Gora Natural Park	1996-07-01	
Gamzigrad-Romuliana, Palace of Galerius	2006-01-26	inscribed
Sar-Planina Mt.	2007-01-26	Incomplete
Đjavaljka Varoš (Devil's Town)	2009-01-30	Incomplete

**4.2 - Involvement in recent nominations**

National government institution(s)	Poor
Regional / provincial / state government(s)	Poor
Local government(s)	Poor
Other government departments	Fair
UNESCO National Commission	Good
Local authorities within or adjacent to the property	Fair
Local communities / residents	Fair
Indigenous peoples	Fair
Landowners	Fair
Local industries	Poor
Non Governmental Organization(s)	No involvement
Consultants / experts	Good
Site manager / coordinator	Fair

**4.3 - Perceived benefits of inscribing properties on the World Heritage List**

Strengthened protection of sites (legislative, regulatory, institutional and / or traditional)	High benefit
Enhanced conservation practices	High benefit
Catalyst for wider community appreciation of heritage	Limited benefit
Improved presentation of sites	Some benefit
Enhanced honour / prestige	High benefit

Increased funding	High benefit
Additional tool for lobbying / political influence	Some benefit
Stimulus for enhanced partnerships	High benefit
Increased recognition for tourism and public use	Some benefit
Stimulus for economic development in surrounding communities	Some benefit
Others (please provide details in 4.4)	Not applicable

**4.4 - Comments**

**5. General Policy Development**

**5.1 - Legislation**

**Comment**

Low on Protection of Nature Low on Cultural Properties Low on Building and Spatial Planning

**5.2 - Legislation not listed in 5.1**

Low on ratification of the Convention Concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, Official Gazette SFRJ – International Contracts 8/74 / 1974 / national / cultural and natural /
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**5.3 - Comment**

Legislation is forbidding any kind of interventions on cultural or natural properties without previous consultations with relevant institutions for protection of cultural or natural heritage. These institutions are responsible for issuing adequate documents related to the proposed activities, and to follow the realization of the permitted activities until they are finished in order to prevent any kind of damage.

**5.4 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulations) adequate for the identification, conservation and protection of the State Party's cultural and natural heritage?**

The legal framework is adequate for the identification, conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage.

**5.5 - Can the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulations) for the identification, conservation and protection of the State Party's cultural and natural heritage be enforced?**

Existing capacity/resources to enforce the legal framework could be strengthened.

**5.6 - Other International Conventions adhered**

**Comment**

European Convention on the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage European Convention for the Protection of the Architectural Heritage European Landscape Convention Convention on Cooperation for the Protection and Sustainable Use of the Danube River Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters,

**5.7 - Implementation of International Conventions into national policies**

There is limited coordination and integration.

**5.8 - States Party's policies to give heritage a function in the life of communities**

There are no specific policies to give heritage a function in the life of communities but this is being achieved on an ad hoc basis.

**5.9 - Integration of heritage into comprehensive / larger scale planning programmes**

There are policies that are effectively implemented.

**5.10 - Comments**

**6. Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation**

**6.1 - To what degree do the principal agencies / institutions responsible for cultural and natural heritage cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of this heritage?**

There is effective cooperation between principal agencies / institutions for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage.

**6.2 - To what degree do other government agencies cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of natural and cultural heritage?**

In general, cooperation exists between other government agencies and the principal agencies / institutions for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage but there are still deficiencies.

**6.3 - To what degree do different levels of government cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of cultural and natural heritage?**

In general, cooperation exists between different levels of government for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage but there are still deficiencies.

**6.4 - Are the services provided by the agencies / institutions adequate for the conservation, protection and presentation of World Heritage properties in your country?**

There is adequate capacity within services to conserve, protect and present World Heritage properties.

**6.5 - Comments**

**7. Scientific and Technical Studies and Research**

**7.1 - Is there a research programme or project specifically for the benefit of World Heritage properties?**

There is some research specifically addressing World Heritage.

**7.2 - Research projects**

- Archaeological research of the area of cultural property Star Ras and Sopoćani in order to increase the knowledge about the Serbian medieval state / 2007-2012  
national  
cultural  
Nominated area of Star Ras and Sopoćani with the buffer zone, comprises large territory with number of not enough known archaeological sites. Researches are

undertaken in order to improve understanding and significance of the site.

- Research of authentic shapes of decorative consoles on the facade of the church of monastery Decani / 2005-2011  
national  
cultural  
Consoles on the facades of the church of monastery Decani are in a poor condition and the research of their authentic design will demonstrate the unique link between West and East tradition of carving stone that is also visible on the other stone decoration

**7.3 - Comments**

There is no specific research project for the World Heritage Sites in general. The above mentioned research projects are related to the individual unresolved issues or research programs connected to individual cultural properties.

**8. Financial Status and Human Resources**

**8.1 - Sources of funding**

National government funds	Major source of sustained funding
Other levels of government (provincial, state, local)	Minor source of fixed term funding
International assistance from the World Heritage Fund	Minor source of fixed term funding
International multilateral funding (e.g. World Bank, IDB, European Union)	Not applicable
International bilateral funding (e.g. AFD, GTZ, DGCS, GEF, etc.)	Minor source of fixed term funding
NGOs (international and / or national)	Not applicable
Private sector funds	Not applicable
Other (Please specify in 8.6)	Not applicable

**8.2 - Involvement of State Party in the establishment of foundations or associations for raising funds and donation for the protection of World Heritage**

No

**8.3 - National policies for the allocation of site revenues for conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage**

Yes

**8.4 - Is the current budget sufficient to conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage effectively at the national level?**

The available budget is acceptable to meet the current conservation, protection and presentation needs.

**8.5 - Are available human resources adequate to conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage effectively at the national level?**

Human resources are adequate but additional staffing would enable more effective conservation, protection and presentation to meet international best practice standards.

8.6 - Comments

9. Training

9.1 - Formal training / educational institutions / programs

- Faculty of Architecture, Belgrade University / national / cultural  
Scope: Protection and rehabilitation of cultural heritage
- Faculty of Philosophy, Belgrade University / national / cultural  
Scope: Studies on Heritage
- Faculty of Technical Sciences, Novi Sad University / national / cultural  
Scope: Studies on new technologies applicable on conservation of historic buildings
- Academy of Applied Arts, Belgrade University / National / Cultural  
scope: Conservation of fresco paintings, icons and mosaics

9.2 - Training needs

Conservation	Low priority
Education	Medium priority
Promotion	Medium priority
Interpretation	High priority
Administration	Low priority
Visitor management	High priority
Community outreach	High priority
Risk preparedness	Medium priority
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Low priority
Other	Not applicable

9.3 - Does the State Party have a national training/ educational strategy to strengthen capacity development in the field of heritage conservation, protection and presentation?

There is no national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation, protection and presentation but nonetheless this is being done on an ad hoc basis.

9.4 - Comments

10. International Cooperation

10.1 - Cooperation with other States Parties

Bi-lateral and multi-lateral agreements
Financial support
Hosting and / or attending international training courses/seminars
Distribution of material / information

10.2 - Twinned World Heritage properties with others

No

10.3 - Comments

11. Education, Information and Awareness Building

11.1. Media used for World Heritage sites promotion

11.1.1 - Publications

Information
National
Regional
Local

11.1.2 - Films / TV

Information
Education
National
Regional
Local

11.1.3 - Media campaigns

Information
Awareness Raising
National
Regional
Local

11.1.4 - Internet

Information
International

11.1.5 - Postage stamps, medals

Information
National

11.1.6 - World Heritage Day

Information
National
Local

11.1.7 - Translation and diffusion of publications made available by the World Heritage Centre

Awareness Raising
National
Local

11.1.8 - Other (please specify in 11.1.8)

Information
Regional
Local

11.1.9 - Comments

11.2. Education, Information and Awareness Building

11.2.1 - Strategy to raise awareness among different stakeholders

There are no strategies to raise awareness about conservation, protection and presentation of World Heritage.

11.2.2 - Level of general awareness

Private Sector	Poor
Youth	Fair
Communities living in/around heritage sites	Fair
Tourism industry	Fair
Decision makers and public officials	Good
Indigenous peoples	Fair
General public	Fair

11.2.3 - Does the State Party participate in UNESCO's World Heritage in Young Hands programme?

The State Party participates in UNESCO's World Heritage in Young Hands programme.

11.2.4 - Level of frequency of activities

Courses for teachers for the use of the <i>World Heritage in Young Hands Kit</i>	Occasionally
Courses/activities for students within the school programmes	Once
Youth Forums	Once
Skills-training courses for students	Occasionally
Organized school visits to World Heritage properties/cultural and natural sites	Regularly
Activities linked to heritage within the framework of UNESCO Clubs/Associations	Often
Other (comment below)	Never

11.2.5 - Comments

12. Conclusions and Recommended Actions

12.1. State Party's implementation of the World Heritage Convention

12.1.1 - Identification of heritage

<b>Identification of heritage</b>
Inventories / lists / registers capture the full diversity of cultural and natural heritage.
Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the identification of potential World Heritage Properties.

12.1.2 - National Inventories

<b>National Inventories</b>
National : Process completed or continually updated
Regional / provincial / state : Process completed or continually updated
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Regional / provincial / state : Process completed or continually updated

12.1.3 - Tentative List

<b>Tentative List</b>
Yes

12.1.4 - Legal framework

<b>Legal framework</b>
Existing capacity/resources to enforce the legal framework could be strengthened.

12.1.5 - Implementation of international conventions within national policies

<b>Implementation of international conventions within national policies</b>
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12.1.6 - Communities

<b>Communities</b>
Local communities / residents: No involvement
Level of involvement / consultation of local landowners: Fair
Level of involvement / consultation of local industries: Poor
Local communities / residents: Fair
Indigenous peoples: Fair
Landowners: Fair

12.1.7 - Larger-scale planning

<b>Larger-scale planning</b>
There are policies that are effectively implemented.

12.1.8 - Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation

<b>Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation</b>
In general, cooperation exists between different levels of government for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage but there are still deficiencies.

12.1.9 - Scientific and Technical Studies and Research

<b>Scientific and Technical Studies and Research</b>
There is some research specifically addressing World Heritage.

12.1.10 - Financial status

<b>Financial status</b>
The available budget is acceptable to meet the current conservation, protection and presentation needs.

12.1.11 - Human resources

<b>Human resources</b>
Human resources are adequate but additional staffing would enable more effective conservation, protection and presentation to meet international best practice standards.

12.1.12 - Training

<b>Training</b>
Ad hoc basis for national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation.

12.1.13 - International cooperation

<b>International cooperation</b>
Bi-lateral and multi-lateral agreements
Financial support
Hosting and / or attending international training courses/seminars
Distribution of material / information

**12.1.14 - Education, Information and awareness building**

Education, Information and awareness building
Private Sector : Poor
Youth : Fair
Communities living in/around heritage sites : Fair

**12.2. Actions for the implementation of the *World Heritage Convention* (identified from table 12.1).**

**12.2.1 - Please select the top issues (up to six)**

Please refer to question 5.2

12.3. Priority Actions Assessment

12.3.2 - Priority actions assessment

5 General Policy Development						
		Action	Short description	Authority(ies) responsible	Timeframe	May this action require International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund?
5.7	There is limited coordination or integration of different legal instruments for the development of heritage conservation, protection and presentation policies.	Work on better distribution of information and involvement of all decision-making levels.	Workshops and round-tables on the topic of development policy of protection of cultural and natural heritage.	Ministry of Culture Ministry responsible for Protection of Nature	5 years	yes
9 Training						
9.3	Ad hoc basis for national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation.	Consolidation of past initiatives and activities related to the heritage conservation in an organized program and use their results to define a national strategy.	Organizing regular theoretical and practical courses on heritage protection for students. The international exchange of students and professors.	Belgrade University Novi Sad University Institute for the Protection of Cultural Properties Institute for the Protection of Nature	5 years	yes

**12.3.3 - Additional actions for the implementation of the World Heritage Convention**

Organizing seminars for youth, students and local residents dedicated to learning about the Convention and its importance for the preservation of cultural and natural heritage.

**13. Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise**

**13.1 - Was the questionnaire easy to use and clear to understand?**

Yes

**13.2 - Please provide suggestions for improvement:**

**13.3 - Please rate the level of support from the following entities for completing the Periodic Report questionnaire**

World Heritage Centre	Good
UNESCO (other sectors)	Good
UNESCO National Commission	Good
ICOMOS International	Fair
IUCN International	Not applicable
ICCROM	Not applicable
ICOMOS national / regional	Fair
IUCN national / regional	Not applicable

**13.4 - How accessible was the information required to complete the Periodic Report?**

Most required information was accessible

**13.5 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from the previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities**

UNESCO	Good
Advisory Bodies	Fair
State Party	Good
Site Managers	Fair

**13.6 - Comments**

**14. Thank you**