Overview Training Activities in Underwater Archaeology (2001 Convention)

(as of 31 March 2012)

UNESCO has organized since 2007 a quite high number of underwater archaeology training courses. Organizers were either UNESCO headquarters or field offices in Bangkok, Havana, Dar Es Salaam and Venice. Reliable implementation partners are at hand in almost every region worldwide. The main problem for continuation is funding, while a lot of experience and knowledge for the organization of these trainings has been acquired.

Persons trained: 337

Number of Countries invited: 81

Days of Training: 398

Budget spent: 1,390,063 USD (+ in kind contributions of UNESCO and of partners)

Status quo:

(a) Current or prior trainings (see Annex for detailed list)

UNESCO organized an extensive training series in Thailand. Its Zadar category II Centre organizes courses in cooperation with Headquarters and the UNESCO Venice on a long-term basis. A training series is organized for the Latin-American region by the UNESCO Havana office. Many other *ad hoc* courses were organized with the assistance of partners.

(b) New trainings

New trainings can be organized with good quality and a fast implementation speed thanks to the acquired expertise and reliable partners. Additional funding is however needed.

(c) Training material

A full set of UNESCO training material is currently in elaboration. It encompasses:

- 1. The **Manual** for Activities directed at Underwater Cultural Heritage' on the Annex of the 2001 Convention -Eng, Fr, S *in print* (planned are also Arabic and Italian)
- 2. The Training Manual for the UNESCO Foundation Course on the Protection and Management of Underwater Cultural Heritage -in elaboration by the UNESCO Bangkok office

- 3. A **Manual on the Conservation** of Underwater Cultural Heritage- produced by the Zadar International Centre for Underwaer Archaeology *draft* edition in revision
- 4. An explanatory **Documentary Film Series** on interventions on UCH *images available, script and production planned*
- 5. A **Knowledge Test** for training and education purposes *in design*

Annex – Detailed list of UCH training activities (2007 – 2012)

Year	Training	Place	Organized by/with	Date	Participants	Countries	Financed by + approx. cost
2007	Safeguarding the Underwater Cultural Heritage of Asia and the Pacific - Training workshop for underwater archaeologists (This programme was started due to the especially alarming scale of commercial exploitation of UCH in Asia.)	Galle, Sri Lanka	UNESCO Bangkok* * Bangkok started this initiative in Sri Lanka due to available Dutch foundations for a regional centre. Due to administrational obstacles the programme moved to Thailand.	2 weeks in April 2007	19	Australia, Japan, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand	Norway ExB** **The total cost of the training financed by Norway under the Project 'Safeguarding the UCH of Asia and the Pacific' was 943,600 USD (incl. training material)
	Training Workshop in Underwater Archaeology	Dar es Salaam, United Republic of Tanzania	UNESCO DAR	2 weeks in 2007	10	Tanzania	UNESCO DAR – RP 20,000 USD
	International Centre for Underwater Archaeology under UNESCO auspices (cat II)	Zadar, Croatia	Croatian Ministry of Culture with UNESCO Venice & HQ	Opened in Sept 2007	Regional for long-term	Eastern-Mediterranean region	Croatian national funds
2008	Safeguarding the Underwater Cultural Heritage of Asia and the Pacific - training- of-trainers-programme (followed by the Steering Committee for the regional	Galle, Sri Lanka	UNESCO Bangkok*	3 March-10 April 2008	12	Sri Lanka	Norway ExB**

	training programme 10/11 April 2008)						
2009	Safeguarding the Underwater Cultural Heritage of Asia and the Pacific - First Foundation Course	Chantaburi, Thailand	UNESCO Bangkok* & Underwater Archaeology Division of the Fine Arts Department of Thailand	26 October to 4 December 2009	15	Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Philippines, Sri Lanka and Thailand	Norway ExB**
2010	Safeguarding the Underwater Cultural Heritage of Asia and the Pacific - Second Foundation Course	Chantaburi, Thailand	UNESCO Bangkok* & Underwater Archaeology Division of the Fine Arts Department of Thailand	1 February to 15 March 2010	19	Bangladesh, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, Thailand, Sri Lanka and Viet Nam	Norway ExB**
	Safeguarding the Underwater Cultural Heritage of Asia and the Pacific - Advanced Training Course on the Application of Geographic Information System in the Protection and Management of Underwater Cultural Heritage	Chantaburi, Thailand	UNESCO Bangkok* & Underwater Archaeology Division of the Fine Arts Department of Thailand	20-29 September 2010	19	Bangladesh, Cambodia, Fiji Islands, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Palau, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Viet Nam	Norway ExB**
	Training programme in underwater archaeology and conservation	Gdansk, Poland	Gdansk Maritime Museum	23 August - 5 September 2010	14	Bulgaria, Denmark, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Finland, Belarus, Estonia, Russia, Montenegro, Norway, Slovenia, Sweden, Ukraine	Polish national funds Approx. 20,000 USD
	Training programme in underwater archaeology and conservation (resulted in the foundation of a regional group for the advancement of underwater archaeology)	Campeche, Mexico	INAH, Mexico and UNESCO HQ and HAV	27 September – 8 October 2010	29	Argentina, Bolivia, Brasil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador,	UNESCO HQ – RP 30,000 USD

						Guatemala, Honduras, México, Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, Uruguay, Venezuela	
	Training programme in underwater archaeology and conservation	Robben Island, South Africa	UNESCO Windhoek + CIE	March 2010	34	Angola, DRC, Madagascar, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Tanzania	UNESCO HQ RP 20,000 USD
2011	Safeguarding the Underwater Cultural Heritage of Asia and the Pacific - Third Foundation Course	Chantaburi, Thailand	UNESCO Bangkok* & Underwater Archaeology Division of the Fine Arts Department of Thailand	14 February – 26 March 2011	21	Cambodia, Lao PDR, Philippines, Indonesia, Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka, Fiji, Vanuatu, Kenya and Kyrgyzstan	Norway ExB**
	Regional Training Course in Underwater Archaeology	Antalya, Turkey	Kemer Foundation	6-19 June 2011	15	Egypt, Jordan, Nigeria, Libye, Lebanon, Tanzania, Turkey	Turkish national funds Approx. 10,000 USD
	Safeguarding the Underwater Cultural Heritage of Asia and the Pacific - Advanced training course on in situ preservation of UCH	Khao Laem Ya- Moo Koh Samet National Park, Rayong Province, Thailand	UNESCO Bangkok*	19-26 October 2011	15	Cambodia, Indonesia, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka and Thailand	Norway ExB**
	International Underwater Archaeology Course	Cartagena, Spain	UNESCO HQ & Spanish National Museum Arqua	19 September to 28 October 2011	20	10 students from Latin America & the Caribbean, 7 students from Africa and Arab region, 3 students from Spain	Spain ExB 224,663 USD

	Underwater Cultural Heritage Conservation Training	Zadar, Croatia	ICUA & UNESCO Venice	26 September 2011 to 24 December 2011	8	Bosnia, Croatia, Macedonia, Mexico, Montenegro, Namibia, Serbia, Spain	UNESCO Venice RP + Croatian national funds
	International Seminar for local capacity building in research and management of the Underwater Cultural Heritage	Bogota, Colombia	UNESCO Hav	7-9 September 2011	11	Argentina, Chile, Columbia, Mexico, Spain	Spain ExB*** ***Approx. 100,000 USD were made available to the UNESCO Hav office for a variety of UCH related activities
2012	Sub-regional training on survey and registration techniques of the underwater cultural heritage	Guanabo, Cuba	UNESCO Hav	5 – 10 March 2012	16	Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras	Spain ExB***
	Training on underwater archaeology and management of Underwater Cultural Heritage for the Caribbean	Kingston, Jamaica	UNESCO Montevideo and Kingston offices	tba	tba	Caribbean States	Spain ExB***
	Training on underwater archaeology for the Eastern Mediterranean	Turkey	UNESCO HQ	June 2012	tba	Eastern Mediterranean region	tba
	Belitung site training survey	Belitung Island, Indonesia	UNESCO HQ, Jakarta, Bangkok	July 2012	tba	Asia-Pacific Region	tba
	Training on underwater archaeology for the Gulf region	Saudi-Arabia	UNESCO HQ + Doha	September 2012	tba	Gulf Region	tba