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## ICC-Angkor Meeting in Siem Reap APSARA Conference Hall

4-5 June 2015

The 24<sup>th</sup> Technical Session meeting of the International Coordinating Committee for the Safeguarding and Development of the Historic Site of Angkor (ICC-Angkor) will be held on from 4 to 5 June 2015 in Siem Reap at the APSARA CONFERENCE HALL.

After Angkor was inscribed in the World Heritage list on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 1992, an International Co-Coordinating Committee for the Safeguarding and Development of the Historic Site of Angkor (ICC-Angkor) was established. The creation of this ICC-Angkor was one of the conditions given by the World Heritage Committee to accept the Angkor Site on the UNESCO World Heritage List. Since that time, the ICC-Angkor has convened regularly twice a year, thus consistently following up on all operations being carried out on the site. It is the international mechanism for coordination of assistance to be extended by different countries and organizations, and ensures the consistency of the different projects, defines, when necessary, conservation standards and calls the attention of the concerned parties when required.

The ICC-Angkor is co-chaired by France and Japan. UNESCO ensures the Standing Secretariat. From 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> June, the Ad-hoc experts will visit the work sites of Bantey Srei Temple, Western Baray; Ta Prohm temple; Phnom Bakheng temple; Angkor Wat and Takeo temple. These visits are organized by the Secretariat of the ICC-Angkor in collaboration with the APSARA National Authority.

4 and 5 June will be devoted to a number of presentations by specialists, featuring themes on restoration, archaeological research, tourism and sustainable development. The session will be opened by **Mr. Takahisa TSUGAWA**, Minister/Deputy Head of Mission with the Embassy of Japan and **Ms. Anne LEMAISTRE**, UNESCO Representative in Cambodia. The Royal Government of Cambodia will be represented by His Excellency **Dr. SOK An**, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister for the Council of Ministers and Chairman of the APSARA National Authority. The closing session will be ensured by and the co-chair **Mr. Romain LOUVET**, Counsellor for Cooperation and Cultural Affairs at the Embassy of France.

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