

Regional Heritage Management Training Centre “Lucio Costa”

Rio de Janeiro – Brazil

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Background and mandate of the Centre:

The Regional Heritage Management Training Centre “Lucio Costa” (CLC-CC2), in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, was established during the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee, in July 2010. The Region covered by the Center comprehends South Latin America, and Portuguese Speaking Countries in Africa and Asia.

The main focus of the Centre is to contribute for capacity building in Heritage managing in the Region, considering World Heritage as a platform for cooperation for exchange of experiences and the dissemination of best practices. Training will include different modalities of formation, research and diffusion of knowledge and exchange of experiences, considering the multiplicity and diversity of the Region, the constant renewal of approaches in preservation and social development.

Institutional and operational structure of the Centre (Governing Board, Staffing, Operational funding and premises):

The Center is projected to work within the institutional structure of the governmental Institute of National Historical and Artistic Heritage – IPHAN – that will have a “Unidade Especial” (Special Office) for the implementation of the Agreement established during the 34th session of the World Heritage Committee. It is not yet fully operational but progresses regarding full operation can be highlighted in various fundamental aspects, as infrastructure, financing, governance, strategy, and the implementation of activities aiming to capacity building in Heritage managing.

About its infrastructure, the restoration of Gustavo Capanema Palace (PGC), where the Center is located, is in progress and scheduled to end in 2016. The PGC was built in the 1930's and '40s, after Le Corbusier's draft and designed by Lucio Costa and Oscar Niemeyer. The building is a symbol of education and culture in Brazil and nominated as National Heritage. Works for the structuring of The Documentation Centre, including the library, are also in progress. About funding, Brazilian government has invested U.S. \$ 1,000,000 (committed until December 2013), having U.S. \$ 4,500,000 still available.

A Governmental proposal for a new organization for IPHAN is under consideration by the competent government staffs, that includes a structure to institutionalize the Center, with a Director, an administrative officer, an administrative assistant, a technical coordinator, the head of the Observatory and the head of the Documentation Centre. Meanwhile IPHAN has designated a Committee of Management for the Installation of the Center and appointed a team of for office in Rio de Janeiro for planning and research activities, along with some consultants.

One of the most important issues of implementation of the Center is the joining of the countries of the Region to CLC-CC2. The main strategies for achieving this purpose is holding international meetings for submission, debates and agreement over a pedagogical proposal for the Center, which must include research, exchange of experiences, dissemination of best practices and different modalities of courses for capacity building in Heritage managing.

Programs and activities implemented since June 2012 and plans for the current year:

1. Since June 2012

- Creation and implementation of a three-year agenda contemplating the WHC and consultive bodies.
- Agreement of a Memorandum of Understanding with CRESPIAL, strengthening of the relations with other MERCOSUR countries and debate over the main points regarding the joining of South Latin American and Portuguese Speaking Countries in Africa and Asia to CLC.
- Seminar on MERCOSUR Cultural Heritage Management.
- Seminar on Observatories for Safeguarding Policies of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (with CRESPIAL)
- Constitution of the Committee of Management for the Implementation of CLC-CC2, within IPHAN Board of Directors, by means of IPHAN Ordinance no. 397/2012
- Appointing of IPHAN personnel for constituting the CLC staff and hiring of consultants by means of Product Documents (PRODOC – UNESCO/BRA)
- Development of activities in cooperation with the IPHAN Professional Masters Programme on Cultural Heritage Preservation – PEP-MP and with the staff of the Coordination of Documentation – Copedoc/IPHAN
- Investigation and consolidation of data on research and formation experiences and the dissemination of a preliminary study aiming at the creation of CLC Observatory, by hiring consultants (PRODOC)
- Development and implementation of databases regarding World Heritage.
- Review and renewal of IPHAN website, with the inclusion of information on the Centre and Brazilian cultural sites enlisted as World Heritage (in progress)
- New edition of information folder on the Centre, and diffusion of Rio de Janeiro as World Heritage Cultural Landscape and other subjects regarding Brazilian heritage in the World Heritage Review
- Publication of results of the International Meeting of Experts on World Heritage and Sustainable Development

2. Plans for the current year:

- 2nd International Meeting with the WHC and consultive bodies, in order to establish priorities, agenda and the agreements of MOU's and Protocols of Intentions – May 2013
- International meeting on the profile for the Cultural Heritage manager – May 2013
- Portuguese edition of the Resource Manual "*Preparing World Heritage Nominations*" (Second Edition, 2011) (mai/13).
- Draft of Protocol of Intentions with the AWHF (March 2013), proposal of agenda with the African Fund and holding of workshop on the formulation of nominations for the World Heritage list.
- Strategy building for cooperation with the Community of Portuguese Language Countries (CPLC) – June 2013

- Consolidation of the Region demands on capacity building training and preliminary pedagogical proposal for submission and debates with partners from the countries comprised by the Region– August 2012
- International meeting with experts on Historic Urban Landscape – September 2013
- International meeting with experts for promoting the joining to CLC, the debate of the pedagogical proposal (defining of courses/ public tenders and CLC Observatory), the discussion on the adherence to the Centre, by means of signing Cooperation Terms with national heritage institutions from the countries comprised by the Region – November 2013
- Case studies of best practices (Cartagena/Colombia; Salvador/ Brazil) accordingly to the World Heritage Capacity Building Programme.
- Case studies about the participation of civil society in managing World Heritage Sites (Diamantina / Brazil), accordingly to International Master in Capacity Building Cultural, Heritage and Arts Organization – EBLA/C2, Turim/Italy
- Launch of the CLC Electronic website.
- Launch of a Handbook of Development of Applications to the World Heritage List in Portuguese – June 2012
- Publication of "Fundamental Texts of the Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage in 2003" – December 2013

Website of the Centre: (if available)

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