



## REQUEST FORMAT FOR A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT OF A POTENTIAL NOMINATION TO THE WORLD HERITAGE LIST

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(in compliance with Paragraph 122 of the *Operational Guidelines*)

- The Request Format for a Preliminary Assessment of a Potential Nomination to the World Heritage List is available at the following Web address:  
<https://whc.unesco.org/en/nominations>
- Further guidance on the preparation of the Preliminary Assessment Request Format can be found in Section III of the *Operational Guidelines*
- The original signed version of the completed Preliminary Assessment Request Format should be sent in English or French to:  
**UNESCO World Heritage Centre**  
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France  
Telephone: +33 (0) 1 4568 11 04
- States Parties must also submit this information in electronic format (USB Key or by e-mail to [wh-nominations@unesco.org](mailto:wh-nominations@unesco.org))

Note: In preparing the request for Preliminary Assessment, States Parties should use this format but delete the explanatory notes.

<b>PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT REQUEST FORMAT</b>	<b>EXPLANATORY NOTES</b>
<b>1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE POTENTIAL NOMINATED PROPERTY</b>	
<b>1.a Country (and State Party if different)</b>	
<b>1.b State, Province or Region</b>	
<b>1.c Name of potential nominated property</b>	Do not to exceed 200 characters, including spaces and punctuation.
<b>1.d Latitude and Longitude coordinates</b>	In this space provide the latitude and longitude coordinates of a point at the approximate centre of the potential nominated property.  In the case of potential serial nominated property, provide a table showing the name of each component part, its region and the coordinates of its centre point.
<b>1.e Map showing the features/attributes of the potential nominated property</b>	Provide as a minimum a simple map with a scale and legend to show where the potential nominated property is situated and another map showing where its potential main heritage features and attributes are located.  Where more detailed maps (including GIS shapefiles) are available these are welcome and should be included. If proposals for boundaries and buffer zones exist, also provide maps of these.
<b>1.f Name and date of submission of the potential nominated property on the Tentative List of the relevant State(s) Party(ies) as registered by the Secretariat</b>	Indicate precisely the title of the Tentative List entry to which the potential nominated property relates.
<b>1.g Has the potential nominated property received funds from the International Assistance mechanism?</b>	If so, briefly explain the scope of the International Assistance provided, specify the date and include any documentation on the advice provided by the Advisory Bodies.
<b>1.h Has the potential nominated property received advice through Upstream Process mechanism?</b>	If so, briefly explain the scope of the advice provided, specify the date and include any documentation on the advice provided by the Advisory Bodies.
<b>1.i International designations</b>	Indicate if the potential nominated property, as a whole or part of it, is internationally recognized as significant under other global conventions and programmes relating to the protection of cultural and natural heritage (see Paragraph 44).  Maximum word length: 500 words

<b>2. DESCRIPTION OF THE POTENTIAL NOMINATED PROPERTY</b>	
<b>2.a Summary description and history of the potential nominated property</b>	<p>Provide a brief description of the potential nominated property, including its main heritage features/attributes and relevant geographic characteristics (see Explanatory Notes of Section 2.a of Annex 5).</p> <p>Provide a brief description of the history of the potential nominated property, including significant events and development of its main heritage features/attributes.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 3000 words</p>
<b>2.b Status of the research and historical documentation related to the nominated property</b>	<p>Provide a brief description of the extent of documentation and relevant research available on the potential nominated property, including the following elements: when it has begun, what are the major sources, if published/unpublished, whether major research is ongoing, potential identified gaps in the knowledge including the language in which this information is available. Provide at least one reference that provides a good description of the heritage values of the potential nominated property.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 500 words</p>
<b>2.c Settings of the potential nominated property</b>	<p>Bearing in mind that attributes and features that convey the potential Outstanding Universal Value should be located within the nominated property, describe the immediate and wider settings (see Paragraphs 104, 112 and 118bis) of the potential nominated property and how they support the potential Outstanding Universal Value (including any particular relationship in terms of the values and attributes in the potential nominated property).</p> <p>Maximum word length: 500 words</p>

<b>3. SIGNIFICANCE OF THE POTENTIAL NOMINATED PROPERTY</b>	
<b>3.1.a Global significance of the potential nominated property</b>	<p>Explain the reasons for which this potential nominated property could be considered globally significant within the context of the <i>World Heritage Convention</i>.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 500 words</p>
<p><b>3.1.b Which World Heritage criteria could be relevant to justify the potential Outstanding Universal Value of the potential nominated property?</b> [see Paragraph 77 of the <i>Operational Guidelines</i>]:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> (i)    <input type="checkbox"/> (ii)    <input type="checkbox"/> (iii)    <input type="checkbox"/> (iv)    <input type="checkbox"/> (v)    <input type="checkbox"/> (vi)    <input type="checkbox"/> (vii)    <input type="checkbox"/> (viii)    <input type="checkbox"/> (ix)    <input type="checkbox"/> (x) </p> <p>(Tick the box corresponding to the proposed criteria and provide a brief explanation to justify the use of each, not exceeding 100 words per selected criteria.)</p>	

<b>3.2. Nomination Strategy</b>	
<b>3.2.a Are you considering a potential serial nomination?</b>  Yes/No	If yes, provide an explanation and a rationale for the serial approach.  Maximum word length: 500 words
<b>3.2.b Are you considering a potential transboundary or transnational nomination?</b>  Yes/No	If yes, provide information on whether a nomination strategy has been planned and what will be the proposed approach.  Maximum word length: 500 words
<b>3.2.c Are you considering nominating the area as a Cultural Landscape?</b>  Yes/No	If yes, provide an explanation and a rationale for the approach (see Paragraphs 47, 47bis and 47ter of the <i>Operational Guidelines</i> ).  Maximum word length: 500 words

<b>4. INTEGRITY</b>	
<b>4.a Inclusion of attributes in the potential nominated property</b>	Describe the main attributes/elements which would be included within the boundaries of the potential nominated property, in order to fully understand and express its potential Outstanding Universal Value.  Are there any important features or attributes that have been compromised or lost from the area, such as heavily modified ecosystems, extinct species etc.? If so, provide details.  For potential serial nominated properties, explain how the proposed component parts contribute to the potential Outstanding Universal Value of the site as a whole.  Maximum word length: 750 words
<b>4.b Conservation status of the attributes, and factors affecting the potential nominated property</b>	Provide information on the condition of the attributes of the potential nominated property, including where relevant physical fabric, processes and associations. Does the potential nominated property suffer from any actual or potential adverse effects of development and/or neglect? How have such factors been addressed in order to remove/reduce their negative impact?  Maximum word length: 750 words

<b>5. AUTHENTICITY [for potential properties proposed under criteria (i) to (vi) only]</b>	
<b>5.a Attributes and Information sources</b>	Describe how each of the relevant attributes convey truthfully and credibly the values expressed in the proposed criteria (see paragraphs 79 to 86).  Maximum word length: 750 words
<b>5.b Changes to the relevant attributes</b>	Describe what type or degree of change to the relevant attributes has occurred that may reduce their ability to convey potential Outstanding Universal Value.  Maximum word length: 750 words

<b>6. FRAMEWORK FOR COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS</b>	
<b>6.a Approach proposed to comparative analysis</b>	<p>Outline the main factors that you consider need to be taken into account in order to develop a relevant comparative analysis in relation to the potential Outstanding Universal Value of the potential nominated property.</p> <p>In this section outline briefly the main elements of the comparative framework that you think need to be adopted (such as the biogeographic or the geo-cultural context, or the particular type of natural or cultural phenomenon that the potential nominated property represents).</p> <p>Maximum word length: 1500 words</p>
<b>6.b Comparison with other similar properties or sites</b>	<p>List the most relevant comparable areas, which have been considered concerning the potential nominated property (including which properties on the World Heritage List, on Tentative Lists, or more widely are the most relevant comparable sites).</p> <p>Describe briefly how the potential nominated property would differ from properties already inscribed on the World Heritage List, or sites included on the Tentative Lists or other sites.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 1000 words</p>
<b>6.c Selection of component parts for potential serial nominated properties</b>	<p>In the case of potential serial nominated properties, provide details of the approach used to select their component parts and the rationale for the selection.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 500 words</p>
<b>6.d Gaps and underrepresented heritage on the World Heritage List</b>	<p>Identify whether the potential nominated property addresses a particular gap or underrepresented area or theme on the World Heritage List and how it would contribute to achieving a more balanced and representative World Heritage List.</p> <p>Indicate if the potential nominated property is mentioned in the thematic studies of the Advisory Bodies.</p> <p>Maximum 500 words.</p>

<b>7. PROTECTION AND MANAGEMENT</b>	
<b>7.a Protection status</b>	<p>Describe the current legislative and regulatory measures at national and local level.</p> <p>Describe any protection measures that apply to the immediate and wider settings of the potential nominated property.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 500 words</p>
<b>7.b Management status</b>	<p>In case a management system is in place, or is envisaged, for the conservation of the potential nominated property, provide a brief description of its organization, priorities, conservation measures and the adequacy of resources (capacity and financial) available.</p> <p>In case the potential nominated property already has a management plan, or other documented management system, attach a copy of the most recent version.</p>

	<p>In the case of potential serial nominated properties, provide information on whether an overall management framework for all components parts is already in place or envisaged.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 500 words</p>
<b>7.c Engagement of indigenous peoples and local communities</b>	<p>If the potential nominated property might affect the lands, territories or resources of indigenous peoples and/or local communities, explain how they are represented, and in how far they have participated in the preparation of the Tentative List and the Preliminary Assessment request (see paragraphs 64 and 123). Demonstrate, as appropriate, that the free, prior and informed consent of indigenous peoples has been obtained, through, <i>inter alia</i>, making the planned nomination publicly available in appropriate languages and public consultations and hearings.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 500 words</p>
<b>7.d Additional key questions and issues</b>	<p>Describe any issues or difficulties, which have been identified to date in considering a possible World Heritage nomination, or any specific area(s) where advice is required in considering the potential nominated property.</p> <p>Maximum word length: 500 words</p>

#### 8. CONTACT INFORMATION OF RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES

<b>8. Name and contact information of official local institution/agency/organization</b>	<p>Institution/Agency/Organization: Address: Tel: E-mail: Web address:</p>
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#### 9. SIGNATURE

<b>9. Signature on behalf of the State Party</b>	<p>The Preliminary Assessment request should conclude with the signature of the official empowered to sign it on behalf of the State Party.</p>
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