“Shared Built Heritage” reconsidered

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Joint Workshop of
ICOMOS ISC Shared Built Heritage
ICOMOS ISC Theory & Philosophy of Conservation and Preservation
Chair of Global Art History, Heidelberg University
Institute of Art History, Max-Planck-Institute, Florence

Venue: Casa Zuccari, Via Giuseppe Giusti 44, Max-Planck-Institute (MPI), 50121 Florence, Italy
Time: 14 November 1.30 – 6 pm / 15 November 9 am – 6.30 pm

This two-day workshop aims to discuss the challenges, approaches and methods, and the multi-layered value structures involved which are grouped around term that has given a specific ICOMOS Scientific Committee (ISC) its name: “Shared Built Heritage” (SBH). As a result of the workshop, specific recommendations will be formulated, which are to be added to the Committee’s actual Statutes.

Context and Goals

Originally named “Committee on Shared Colonial Architecture and Town Planning” up to the late 1990s, to cover the heritage of former European colonial structures in overseas Non-Europe from the viewpoint of today’s post-colonial and globalized world, the Committee was renamed
with its current name through a process of internal debate. As the Committee now defines this in its current statutes, “Shared Built Heritage includes historical urban and rural structures or elements, resulting from multi-cultural and/or colonial influence”. From this larger perspective, inner-European heritage configurations resulting from the violent process of national frontiers changing and forced migration from North- and South America to Asia and Australia were additionally included in the Committee’s agenda.

After the Committee’s impressive series of international meetings around the planet to visit ex-colonial heritage sites from South America to Asia, it is time now to sit down and summarize the insights and to define with new expertise the challenges of, and approaches to, this multi-layered heritage configuration from a more theoretical and methodological point of view. Placed at the end of ICOMOS International’s General Assembly in Florence (9 – 14 November 2014), this workshop is conceived of as a collaboration between the ICOMOS ISC “Shared Built Heritage” and the ICOMOS ISC “Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration”, together with the Chair of Global Art History of Heidelberg University, and the Max-Planck-Institute of Art History at Florence, as the host of the event.

Friday, 14 November 2014: 1.30 – 6.30 pm

1.30pm Registration

Welcome
Prof. Gerhard Wolf (Director, MPI Florence)
Eva Troelenberg, Brigitte Soelch (Project Leaders, MPI Florence)

Introduction
Michael Falser (Uni Heidelberg)

PART A Case-studies around pre-defined topics

A.1 “Shared” – “Built” – “Heritage”: Reflections of Difficult Terms

Session: 2-4pm

Chair: John Ward

Introduction: ISC SBH – an overview and open questions
RCT Enders (Darmstadt)

On Inheriting – A transcultural approach
Monica Juneja (Heidelberg)

“Shared heritage” – a term in international heritage doctrines?
Michael Falser (Heidelberg)

Shared built heritage from a non-European perspective: The case of Australia
Sue Jackson-Stepowski (Sydney)

Coffee Break
A.2 Negotiating Periods of Significance(s)

Session: 4.30-6.30pm

Chair: Monica Juneja

The alien’s view on heritage?
Wilfried Lipp (Linz)

Taking roots in unknown soil. The process of heritage-appropriation in German-Polish contact zones
Irmela Spelsberg (Berlin)

Dealing with baggages of memories in Macao, after the Portuguese administration
Maria José de Freitas (Macau)

Sharing built heritage in Bangalore, virtually
Rachel Lee (Berlin)

8pm Dinner

Saturday, 15 November 2014: 9 am – 1.30 pm

A.3 Balancing Stakeholders’ Interests

Session: 9-11am

Chair: Michael Falser

“Respecting stakeholders’ interests” as a neo-colonial topos in heritage policies?
Experiences from Pakistan
Michael Jansen (Aachen)

When the ‘other’ does not want to speak. The discourse between Jewish and Palestinian heritage elite
Michali Firestone (Israel)

Shifting cultural ethics in shared heritage: from ours in place to that of place
Vassilis Ganiatsas (Athens)

Casablanca or the shared pragmatism
Romeo Carabelli (Tours)

Coffee Break
A.4 Building Strategies – Structural Interventions – Short/Long-term Effects

Session: 11.30am-13.30pm

Chair: Siegfried Enders

Changing frontiers and structural interventions in border fortifications
Hans Casparý (Mainz)

War, heritage destruction and shared heritage: Israel-Palestine
Giora Solar (Israel)

Colonial cities: glocal perspectives on the multiple processes of cultural and physical synthesis
Manuel C. Teixeira (Lisbon)

From Cape Town to Wuhan - Shared built heritage at the larger scale
Fabio Todeschini (Cape Town)

Lunch

Saturday, 15 November 2014: 3 pm – 6.30 pm

PART B Recommendations for the Statutes of ISC Shared Built Heritage

Session: 3-6.30pm

Common Discussion
with Monica Juneja, Siegfried Enders, Wilfried Lipp, Michael Falser

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