

ICOMOS INSTRUMENTS

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1. ICOMOS itself, being an advisory body to the WH committee, is one of the WH system's instruments.

2. Our members - Their knowledge and experience (expertise).

- Missions to evaluate new nominations, monitoring missions, experts meetings.
- ICOMOS WH panel (basically its executive committee)
- Advisers to the panel (experts), presenting new nominations to ICOMOS WH panel and to the WH Committee.
- 'Academic' experts, evaluating the nominations.
- ICOMOS WH unit at its secretariat, in Paris.

3. Documents - Charters, Guidelines, Recommendations, doctrinal papers, amongst which are the following :

- The WH Convention for the protection of Natural and Cultural heritage of the world
- The Operational Guidelines for the implementation of the WH Convention – including criteria for nomination, authenticity, integrity, management plans, boundaries, state of conservation, statements of significance.
- The HUL Approach
- Venice Charter, Burra Charter and others
- Washington Charter 1987
- Valletta Principles
- Spirit of Place declaration

- Xi'an declaration on Setting
- Davos meeting on Buffer Zones
- Vienna Memorandum
- Documents on Non Tangible heritage

4. Advising the WH Committee

- Reviewing and presenting new WH nominations
- Monitoring missions
- **Participating in preparation of SOC (state of conservation) reports.**
- **Comparative and other studies**

5. ICOMOS Scientific Committees

- **Ethics and Philosophy**
- **CIVVIH – Historic Towns and Settlements**
- **Management of Archaeological sites (in cases of**
- **Archaeology within urban context)**
- **Other**