

ICAHM GENERAL MEETING 2018.10.28 09:00-10:30

Arnaldo Room, Montalbano Castle, Montalbano Elicona

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Peterson (President)
Nelly Margarita Robles García (Vice-President)
Assad Seif (Vice-President Arab States)
Alicia Castillo-Mena (Vice-President, Europe)
Adrian Olivier (Secretary-General)
Matthew Whincop (Administrative Secretary)
Douglas Comer (Immediate Past President)
Annemarie Willems (Executive Director, Friends of ICAHM)

Expert, Associate, and Affiliate members of ICAHM were also present.

1. ICAHM BUREAU AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The President reported on the joint meeting of the Bureau and Executive Committee that was held prior to the conference on the evening of 24 October

2. ROLES

Clarification was provided about the roles of the Treasurer and the Regional Vice-Presidents

Treasurer:

- *to identify potential funding streams;*
- *with the Executive Director of Friends of ICAHM, explore and develop an operational framework for conference budgets in order to help identify possible financial risks in the organisation of the Annual ICAHM conference.*

Regional VPs:

- *to encourage new membership in each region (especially emerging professionals);*
- *to inform Executive Committee of any regional issues relevant to the work of ICAHM;*
- *to promote regional meetings of ICAHM members as appropriate (in the context of other meetings and conferences). Prior proposals for each meeting, leadership, agenda, time, and place to be reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee;*
- *to support the Administrative Secretary by participating in the examination of applications for Expert Membership of ICAHM.*

3. ICAHM annual meeting (Conference)

2019 Conference

An update was provided about the proposed ICAHM 2019 conference in Arica, Chile

[POST-MEETING ADDENDUM: a revised proposal has been received from ICOMOS Chile and the Executive Committee has decided to proceed with the organisation of the conference in Arica, Chile for November 2019]

ICAHM will organise the Scientific Committee and the Themes of the conference;

It is intended that the conference will include a post-conference excursion to Easter Island.

Venues for future annual meetings

Future ICAHM meetings could be synchronised in place and time with ICOMOS General Assemblies as practicable, so that the 2020 meeting would be held in Sydney, Australia, and the 2021 meeting in the location of the General Assembly for that year.

An invitation was received to host the meeting in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates.

[POST-MEETING ADDENDUM: additional invitations have been received from Leiden, China, and Beirut]

4. MEMBERSHIP

The Secretary-General will continue to clean the membership roster and clarify the status of the c60 lapsed Expert and Associate members with ICOMOS Centre and the National ICOMOS Committees.

The Executive Committee wishes to build up the positive benefits of active ICAHM membership (including for example developing a closer professional relationship with other organisations such as the World Bank).

The importance of ensuring that Expert members of ICAHM were engaged in heritage management as well as academic archaeology was stressed, as was the need to accept Expert members from other disciplines.

5. FRIENDS OF ICAHM

The Executive Committee has appointed the post of Executive Director of the Friends of ICAHM as a full member of the Executive Committee.

[For information: Friends of ICAHM (FoI) was established in the US in 2012 by the ICAHM Executive Committee as 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and presented to the general membership at the Annual Meeting in Peru in that same year. In 2016 the Executive Committee decided to appoint an Executive Director who would be charged with moving FoI forward in the development and implementation of internal and external goals reflecting the vision, mission, and business plan of Friends of ICAHM. One FoI's responsibilities is to oversee arrangements for ICAHM Annual Meetings.]

6. ICOMOS WORKING GROUPS

Emerging Professionals Working Group

Affiliate members will be canvassed for an ICAHM representative on the ICOMOS EPWG

Sustainable development Working Group

The President asked for volunteers for an ICAHM representative on the Working Group

Climate Change and Heritage working Group

The President will ask Will Megarry to serve as the ICAHM Representative on the Working Group

Nature/Culture dialogue committee with ICOMOS and IUCN

Douglas Comer (Immediate Past President) will continue to represent ICAHM until work on preparing the draft declaration is completed

7. ISSUES

Salalah Declaration and Guidelines

The Executive Committee will consider the necessary update and revision of the Salalah Declaration and Guidelines.

Future topics

The president asked for suggestions for topics to be discussed at future conferences (eg the concept of Integrity).

Publications

The Executive Committee is going to explore the possibility of renegotiating the royalties that ICAHM earns from the Springer series and also take forward the idea of joint publications with ICOMOS which may be more financially advantageous to ICAHM.

Statutes and Internal Regulations

It was generally agreed that although ICAHM should remain a fairly informal network, there was a need for a little more structure and transparency of procedures.

The Secretary-General indicated that once the Membership roster had been 'cleaned' he would develop proposals for an administrative framework for ICAHM together with proposals for any necessary revisions to the ICAHM Statutes for the Executive Committee to consider.

Strategic Plan/Business Plan

The Executive Committee intends to discuss the development of a strategic Plan for ICAHM during the next year.

8. ICOMOS

The President and Immediate Past President will represent ICAHM during the ICOMOS General Assembly in Buenos Aires at the Scientific Council (14:00-18:00, 4 December) and from 18:00-20:00 they will host an open meeting for ICAHM members in attendance at the GA and for interested persons who might want to consider membership.

The President will also attend the Emerging Professionals meeting on 5 December.

On 6 December the GA convenes, followed by the Advisory Committee meeting and election of officers from 11:00-12:30 and 14:00-18:00 and as ICAHM President will cast a vote for our immediate Past President Douglas Comer.

Later that evening a World Heritage Training Session will be held and the President reported that he will attend with an eye toward mentoring our emerging professionals and new expert members, and will raise the questions about confidentiality and sharing of documentation in order to host mentoring meetings with our own members at the 2019 ICAHM Annual Meeting in Arica, Chile.

The President will also be discussing the logistics of the Arica meeting with ICOMOS Chile representatives in order to start the planning for the meeting that has now been agreed for November 2019.

The President is looking forward to representing ICAHM at this first GA of his term, and in bringing resources and engagement for the ICAHM membership in the broader agendas and working groups of ICOMOS.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

ICOMOS Advisory Council

The Executive Committee has wholeheartedly endorsed the candidacy of Douglas Comer, immediate Past-President for the post of President of the ICOMOS Advisory Council.

10. CONCLUSION

The President concluded the meeting by thanking everyone involved in the organisation of the conference for making it such a successful meeting.