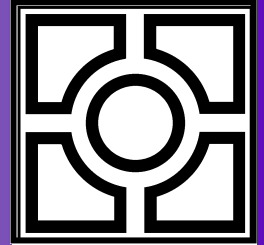


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## IFLA Welcomes you!

### Western Region Conference Buenos Aires

June 10th - 12th, 2004

The Argentine Association of Landscape Architects (CAAP) and the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) are pleased to invite landscape architects from around the world, and specially those colleagues belonging to the Region, to participate in the IFLA Western Region Conference 2004, to be held in Buenos Aires, June 10th - 12th, 2004. The Conference will take place at the Centro Cultural San Martín, City of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

For further information and registration please go to the web-site:

<http://www.centroaapaisajistas.org.ar/>  
<mailto:congreso2004@openpage.com.ar>

Theme: **Horizons**

#### Matters to be discussed

- ✚ Horizons in the transformation of the territorial landscape, threatened by man and infrastructure works, stimulating new philosophies and attracting contributions from new thinkers.
  - ✚ Horizons of the profession of Landscape Architecture in the Region, its acknowledgement and influence on the management of the environment and the new challenges of the XXI Century, understanding and assimilating the achievements of other disciplines and professions.
  - ✚ Horizons in professional formation and profile, searching for a responsible professional spirit and a comprehension of the environmental ethic
  - ✚ Horizons in international relationships: the role of IFLA in the XXI Century.
- The meeting will be the scenario to analyze the future horizons of the profession, inviting critical thought and intellectual enrichment.

#### Important Dates

Notification of selected works Students Competitions	May 10, 2004
Meeting of IFLA Western Region Council	June 9, 2004
IFLA Western Region Conference Buenos Aires 2004	June 10/12, 2004



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## Conference Fees US\$ DOLLARS

	After April 30th 2004
IFLA Members	U\$S 175
Non Members	U\$S 200
Accompanying persons	U\$S 90
Students	U\$S 90
1 Day Registration	U\$S 70

Official languages of the Regional Conference: English and Spanish, with simultaneous interpretation for the main conference and for papers.

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## Conference Site

**San Martín Cultural Complex** was inaugurated in 1961. It consists of the San Martín Theater, a five-floor theater on Corrientes Avenue, and the San Martín Cultural Center at its back, on Sarmiento Street.

The cultural center is the meeting point of arts, and the center for artistic teaching, exhibitions, and also a place where conferences and seminars take place.

The San Martín Complex is the sounding board for both national and international cultural events; it is the 'porteña' cultural Mecca, and it is the central office of our IFLA Western Region Conference.

## Organized by CAAP Argentine Association of Landscape Architects

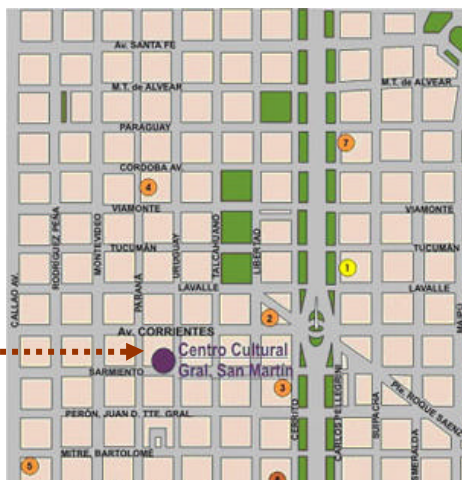
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Buenos Aires: The city of Buenos Aires, founded in 1580 on the shores of the River Plate, is one of the continent's largest cities. Its people are lively and friendly. It has something for every visitor: beautiful parks, football stadiums, restaurants of all kinds, horse racing, riding, rose gardens, golf courses, theatres, tango and opera.

Shopping is an exciting experience along Florida Street, around San Martín Plaza or in San Telmo where antiques are a specialty. The Italian Boca district, Palermo Park, Recoleta Cemetery, San Telmo, the fashionable northern residential homes, the waterways of the Parana Delta, are all attractions that give Buenos Aires a character of its own. A city to be enjoyed! Buenos Aires and its inhabitants welcome you to this 2004 IFLA Regional Congress.



<b>CROWNE PLAZA PANAMERICANO*****</b> Standard Room Room with city sight	SGL U\$S 110 U\$S 123	DBL U\$S 110 U\$S 123	<b>1</b> Carlos Pellegrini 551 <a href="http://www.crowneplaza.com.ar">www.crowneplaza.com.ar</a>
<b>BROADWAY ALL SUITE****</b> Hotel Official Regional Council Standard Room	U\$S 60	U\$S 60	<b>2</b> Av. Corrientes 1173 <a href="http://www.broadway-suites.com.ar">www.broadway-suites.com.ar</a>
<b>BRISTOL****</b> Standard Room	U\$S 43	U\$S 47	<b>3</b> Cerrito 286 <a href="http://www.hotelbristol.com.ar">www.hotelbristol.com.ar</a>
<b>MAYFLOWER SUITES****</b> Standard Room	U\$S 65	U\$S 65	<b>4</b> Paraná 720 <a href="http://www.mayflowersuites.com.ar">www.mayflowersuites.com.ar</a>

## Meeting of IFLA Western Region Council

WEDNESDAY JUNE 9, 2004

08.30 - 09.30	Reception of delegates and breakfast at the Hotel.
09.30 - 12.00	Regional Council Meeting.
12.00 - 14.00	Lunch
14.00 - 16.00	Cont. Regional Council Meeting.
16.30 - 17.00	Coffee Break at MALBA - Buenos Aires Latin-American Museum of Arts.
17.30 - 18.30	Visit to MALBA - Buenos Aires Latin-American Museum of Arts.
18.30	Return to the hotel - Buenos Aires Evening City Tour.
21.00	Welcome Dinner to IFLA President and IFLA Western Region Delegates offered by CAAP Members

**Conference Program THURSDAY June 10th**

TIME	Room A	Room B	Room C
8:00	Registration: 08:00 to 18:00		
8:30 10:15	Opening Ceremony		
10:30 11:15	Plenary Lecture Arch. Ana María Demo de Fiore Argentina		
11:30 12:30	Plenary Lecture Arch. Martha Cecilia Fajardo IFLA President - Colombia		
12:30 13:00	Welcome Visit to the Professional Exhibition and Student Competition Exhibition.		
14:00 15:45	Regional Lectures Brasil - Chile - Uruguay		
16:15 19:00	Round Table Historic Gardens and Cultural Landscapes Chair: Arch. Mirta Rué	Papers Session	Papers Session

**FRIDAY June 11th**

TIME	Room A	Room B	Room C
8:30 9:15	Plenary Lecture Arch. Alberto Varas Argentina		
9:30 10:30	Keynote Lecture Arch. George Hargreaves USA		
10:45 12:30	Regional Lectures Canadá - Costa Rica and Caribe - USA		
14:00 14:45	Plenary Lecture Arch. José Tabacow Brasil		
14:45 16:30	Regional Lectures Colombia - Perú - Venezuela		
16:45 19:00	Round Table Professional Practice Chair: Arch. Ana Luis Artesi	Papers Session	Papers Session

**SATURDAY June 12th**

TIME	Room A	Room B	Room C
9:00 9:30	Plenary Lecture Arch. James Taylor Canada		
9:45 12:00	Round Table Education Chair: Arch. Cora Burgin	Papers Session	Papers Session

**Welcome to Buenos Aires!**

Dear colleagues,

As the IFLA Delegate of Argentina I am pleased to invite you to join us at the Regional Conference of the Western Region of IFLA that will take place from 10 to 12th June 2004, in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Keynote speakers and lecturers from almost every country in America, will expound their ideas and works during the Conference.

In this way, we will be able to know and take into account the important work that professors, researchers and practitioners are developing on behalf of Landscape Architecture.

We are happy to invite all the Landscape Architects and related professionals in the world to participate in this Conference which will allow us to be updated with the activities that are being developed in the whole Region.

At the same time, the event will allow us to gather, to know each other, to interchange our points of view and visit Argentina, a country that offers a wide range of landscapes and climates.

A great variety of sightseeing and post- Conference Tours will be available.

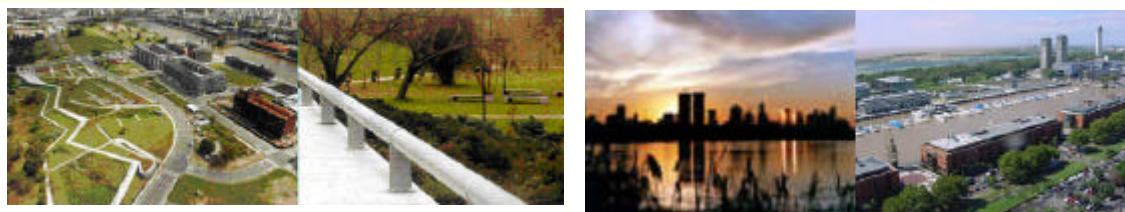
The registration fee, hotel rates, shopping, and good restaurants will be accessible to you all owed to the benefits of exchange.

We are looking forward to seeing you, here, in Buenos Aires.

My best wishes for you all,

**Virginia Laboranti**  
IFLA Delegate of Argentina

## Technical Visits



### Itinerary - U\$ 25

The technical tour will be around the south of Buenos Aires City, visiting Puerto Madero, Costanera Sur, Micaela Bastida Park, and the length of the Rio de la Plata, in order to appreciate both their aesthetic and functional renovation and their strong influence on the whole city.

The tour will last approximately three and a half hours, leaving from General San Martin Theater. A snack and lunch will be served.

### PUERTO MADERO

From the nineties, the most ambitious urban project ever undertaken by the city began to take shape: the revitalization of the old city harbor 'Puerto Madero'.

Harbor land recycling included the renovation of old docks, the urbanization of the eastern part of the dikes, the inclusion of a pedestrian bridge by the architect Calatrava, and the unification of all these spaces through the use of parks and modern boulevards.

### MICAELA BASTIDA PARK

At the west side of dike 2, 8 hectares in size, 'Micaela Bastida Park' is made up of a great quantity of plant species, the highlights being the gramineas border and the innovative rose garden. This park, which has novel aesthetics, rises from the line of the horizon and divides the area into different sectors: places to sunbathe and to have a rest among the trees, or modern children games, all of them linked by stairs, ramps and wide terraces on which to have a rest.

### COSTANERA SUR WALK

In 1918 Buenos Aires inaugurated the 'Costanera Sur' walk, in true 'belle époque' style, a symbol of progress and prosperity for the country. It was the first resort of the city. It had 250 sections divided into men's and ladies', as dictated by the mores of those times.

Nowadays, this walk has been renovated and its bank looks onto 'Los Coipos' lake, which is inside the new Ecological Reserve.

### 'LAS NEREIDAS' GROUP OF SCULPTURES

This sculpture, by artist Lola Mora, who was born in the Province of Tucuman, was made in Italy and shipped to Buenos Aires. Initially, it was placed next to government house in 1918, but later it was moved to Costanera Sur on account of its daring nudes.

### COSTANERA SUR ECOLOGICAL RESERVATION

During the 80's, urban changes led to the filling in of a large section of Rio de la Plata's banks. These new coastal lands, which had been created to be built on, were abandoned and overrun by vegetation.

During the 90's it was declared a natural reserve and nowadays it is known as an 'ecological reserve'. A great quantity of native and foreign plant species that have been introduced into this environment, and a large quantity of animals and birds nest and live inside the Ecological Reserve

This is the walk where the 'porteño' (as the inhabitants of Buenos Aires are called) meet the prodigious coastal vegetation of the Rio de la Plata.

### RIO DE LA PLATA (RIVER PLATE)

The mirror of russet water that Le Corbusier called 'Sea', the horizon of invisible limits, is the widest river on Earth. This is the legendary estuary where Argentina's history and the City of Buenos Aires are present.

## IFLA Regional Conference Prague Report

by **Radmila Fingerova** Czech Republic IFLA delegate

Czech landscape architects have been part of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) since 1996. This has been very important for us after so many years of international isolation. The deep and long isolation ended in 1989, and now, since May 1st, 2004, the Czech Republic and nine other European countries, have started a "new life" as a part of the European Union. This has been a big change and also a big challenge for better and more intensive cooperation.

The decision to organize the IFLA Central Region Conference in Prague at the very beginning of May was an attempt to create a space for sharing and understanding, not only within our profession, but also with architects, regional and town planners, specialists of monument conservation, art critics and all those interested in landscape.

The theme was "New Landscapes for Old Structures and New Structures in Old Landscapes".

We saw some great examples of how you can get new life to the old places. We saw good coexistence between building and landscape and we also saw a realization that these landscapes are loved by their users. If the results of our work are not loved by the people, they are not maintained, and without maintenance landscape design does not exist.

Greg Smallenberg from Canada introduced designed works, both built and planned, to discuss the value of a cultural landscape approach to historic sites. Each project showed the success of its plan and implementation. This was based on a detailed understanding of the historical development of the landscape in the context of the design and cultural traditions of every stage in its evolution. Equally importantly, these planning and design processes included investigating changing uses, programs, and functions of the landscape. Through these designs Greg Smallenberg argued successfully that conservation of the historic landscape is facilitated by the reinvention and reestablishment of traditional activities and programs.

Landscape architecture is not a static discipline but is a very dynamic one. The results of our work will influence the next generations, so we need a lot of humility when changing "old to new".

Marianella Genatios wrote at her abstract, "The landscape is a summary of evolutionary processes. It is an evocative element, an undoubted proof of settling patterns, habits, and traditions and thus, a source of national pride that produces a strong emotional force inspiring different expressions."



Welcome reception in Ledebour Garden

When thinking about the profession of landscape architecture from the international point of view we could see that our profession has been changing. Landscape architecture education is expanding all over the world. Landscape architects are educated to solve problems from architectural, environmental, social and economic points of view. Landscape architects do not work only on specific projects - this new era is not only for greening places but also to benefit social life and to promote a better understanding of preservation and maintenance of our cultural heritage.

We could see that landscape architects from Holland, Denmark, Finland, Canada, USA and Australia successfully direct multi disciplinary teams. As Grant Donald mentioned in his lecture, "It is the aim of this presentation to reinforce the necessity of landscape architects to be included in all stages of a residential development and to show how we can make an impact on the social structure and lifestyle of residents of any country."

This advance leads step by step to the convergence with allied design professions. Gavin Keeney wrote at his abstract, "The synthesis of landscape + architecture signals the return of singular concerns regarding the built environment. Re-situating landscape + architecture, especially within the contemporary city, involves wholly new (new-old) conceptions of what actually constitutes 'landscape'."

Speaker Vladimir Sitta in his lecture emphasized the necessity of a new integrated design school that seriously tackles the aesthetic and technological ramifications of the ecological crisis. "The profession of landscape architecture will see much stronger transgression of disciplines in the near future. The activities normally associated with disciplines like architecture, landscape architecture, civil engineering etc will be extended through the crossing of frontiers. There is clear indication that in future our work will need to develop more autonomously without the tyranny of visualisation and confinement of object status – at least in the initial stages. Disciplines of design are not aligned in a unified vision. The division between architecture and landscape architecture is especially awkward – one calls upon the latter only when the big event needs soothing with decorative accessories. Especially architecture is a discipline of over determined situations. There won't be any widespread change, unless the avant-garde in architecture and to a lesser degree landscape architecture stops pretentiously presenting itself as a form of cultural critique as opposed to responding to socio-ecological conditions. To instigate change we have to abolish a tyranny of market driven styles and search for new forms, which respond to the new dynamic conditions of 21st century urban life."



Tree-Planting ceremony, Park in Pruhoonice, Research Center

There were a lot of appealing paper presentations. Over three days we heard speakers from seventeen countries who had interesting and thoughtful lectures, and we saw a compelling poster section. We also tried to introduce Czech landscape architecture. In the conference hall the designs for the competition of Veltrusy Park and exhibitions of students' and teachers' designs were displayed. Participants received a CD with a catalogue of Czech Landscape Architects.

To organize an international conference in a country where the tradition of the profession is not long was no easy matter. In this situation the very productive support of the IFLA Executive committee – World Level was extremely important for us. Martha Fajardo and Jeppe Aagard Andersen had very interesting presentations. Diane Menzies, James Hayter and Jim Taylor were excellent chairpersons of the sessions.

Cooperation was the word we had in our minds over the whole seven months when preparing the IFLA Central Region Conference. The participation of Maria Teresa Andresen, President of European Foundation for Landscape Architecture and Alfonso Vegara, President of International Society of City and Regional Planners and their successful and promising dealing with Martha Fajardo, President of International Federation of Landscape Architects was for all of us a nice reward.



Maria Teresa Andersen, Radmila Figerova, Alfonso Vegara and Martha Fajardo

I would like to thank so much the IFLA Executive Committee, all members of our organizing staff, our conference secretariat and also other volunteers who helped us to prepare the excursions, social events and post conference tours.

On behalf of the Czech Landscape Architects at the Landscape and Garden Society (CZLA) we all thank our participants for coming from 25 countries of 4 continents to Prague to share their ideas, experience problems and hopes.

Radmila Fingerova

## Central Regions Conference in Prague: a participant's view.

What a magnificently rich city is Prague and what a pleasure it was to be able to participate in the Central Region conference in spring in Prague. The IFLA Exco took the opportunity to hold their meeting in Prague prior to the conference so that we could contribute to the event and support Czech landscape architects. We were glad we did this as the conference made a number of other opportunities possible.

The first was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with Dr Alfonso Vegara, the President of the International Society of City and Regional Planners (ISoCARP) who attended the Conference and gave a keynote presentation. This Memorandum is intended to establish a closer working relationship and cooperation and was stimulated by the UNESCO policy of encouraging an integrated response to issues. Further work is required to progress this Memorandum, and this will be undertaken.

The second 'opportunity' was with President, Maria Teresa Andresen, of the European Foundation for Landscape Architecture (EFLA), on the 'coming together' of IFLA. An agreement was drafted after a meeting of Central Region delegates and the Memorandum signed marks a very constructive step towards overcoming issues in the Central Region which had been a focus of concern for some while. In addition, the Exco was pleased to welcome the EFLA President to part of our Exco meeting and Maria Teresa Andresen also gave a presentation at the first section of the conference. The next steps to start implementing this Memorandum are to prepare a paper on specific issues to be addressed, and to review the IFLA Strategic Plan to provide for changes. We thank both Alfonso Vegara and Maria Teresa Andresen for their support.

Another benefit of the conference, apart from the transferred knowledge and experience of landscape design and management issues, was the opportunity to make contact with Richard Stille, the instigator of the Le Notre project, and students from ELASA, the European landscape architecture students association. We will work to ensure that IFLA promotes the interests of the project and the student group, to bring about an even closer and more effective profession.

The conference was attended by over 150 presenters and participants, mainly from Europe but also from Australia and other parts of the globe. Apart from keynote and other interesting papers there was a reception in a classical Prague castle garden, an evening of jazz, a dinner in an exquisite tea house and a tree planting ceremony in an extensive arboretum which was concluded with a champagne toast in the Prague sunshine. The one day post-conference tour to South Bohemia included visits to estates and castles and excellent descriptions of historic development from current managers.

The highlight for me was a presentation by a student of landscape architecture from Germany, on restoration of a monastery garden, in conjunction with the remaining abbot of the monastery. Landscape students had taken on the initial technical and physical work of rehabilitation and in recounting this experience were seeking support for further rehabilitation work. What a wonderful example of leadership from our emerging practitioners.

A warm thank you to Czech landscape architects and their collaborating association for a stimulating Central Region conference.

**Diane Menzies**

May 2004

## UNESCO News "World Heritage and Contemporary Architecture. Managing the Historic Urban Landscape."

Report on attendance at the UNESCO World Heritage Centre, Place Fontenoy, Paris, April 26 2004:  
Dr Hans Dorn

### Present:

- ✚ Mr. Francesco Bandarin, Director, UNESCO
- ✚ Dr. Van Oers, UNESCO
- ✚ Kerstin Manz, Consultant, UNESCO  
Props. Petzet, Prsädient ICOMOS
- ✚ Dr. Eugen Antalovsky, City-Government of Vienna  
Franz Neuwirth, Dir. Protection of Monuments,  
City-Government of Vienna
- ✚ Dr. Arnold Klotz, Univ. Prof., City-Government of  
Vienna
- ✚ Prof. Manfred Wehdorn, Architect, City-Government  
of Vienna
- ✚ Dr. Hans Dorn, IFLA, Chairman of the Committee  
Historic Gardens Cultural Landscapes.

Director Bandarin opened the session and welcomed the members of this established advisory board. The reason to launch a conference was the need to manage the historic urban landscape in context of modern architecture and World Heritage Monuments. The conference will be held in May 2005 in Vienna, Austria, the city which initiated the first steps to address this problem. IFLA as a possible member of the advisory board, has to play a prime role as I declared: Architecture always needs a site or a landscape in which to perform. Everywhere architecture destroys a part of landscape or the fundamental ecological context of climate (sun and shade), vegetation, topography, hydrology, and open space. All the people present recognized the importance of these criteria and postulated the definition of urban landscapes in context with historic heritage monuments.

Further principles such as quality and context in design and assessment were addressed. It was decided, that the advisory experts should elaborate their ideas to formulate a memorandum on "World Heritage and Contemporary Architecture - Managing the Historic Urban Landscape".

The four hours with intensive discussions finished with tasks for everybody to contribute proposals for the preparation of the conference, to prepare the formulation of the memorandum of Vienna and to nominate expert-speakers, well known as such for the topic of the conference and to assist to make the next years conference successful with many participants.

It was proposed to meet again in June this year. Unfortunately I am invited to participate at the same time in a meeting in Athens, invited with the President of our joint Committee Dr. Rob de Jong and Carmen Anon to avoid a destruction of the Greek Royal Gardens in Athens. So I was requested to send an elaborated paper to this meeting.

Dr. h.c. Hans Dorn, Frankfurt am Main, 29. April 2004,

## UNESCO Asia Pacific Regional Meeting

Report on attendance as observer on 23  
May 2004: Diane Menzies

### 1. Purpose of attendance

There were several reasons why I thought attending part of the UNESCO regional meeting as an observer for IFLA would be helpful:

- ✚ To get a better understanding of UNESCO structures, systems and decision making: to pass on to IFLA
- ✚ To find out where funding might come from for regional education projects which we would like to undertake with UNESCO
- ✚ To take up the suggestion of UNESCO head office to make contact with UNESCO National Commissions, so that we have better relationships with UNESCO: this it transpired is very important as UNESCO (like IFLA a few years ago) is de-centralizing and increasingly budgets and decision making will be driven at the regional and 'cluster' (a group of nations) level
- ✚ To wave the IFLA flag and introduce or remind delegates about IFLA and the profession's role with UNESCO.

### 2. Brief report on the first day of the meeting

The meeting commenced with a traditional Maori welcome at 8am and was followed by welcome speeches from the Honorable Margaret Austin, Chair; and the Honorable Marion Hobbs, NZ Minister for the Environment. This was attended by over 100 delegates and observers from 45 countries which included Central Asian countries such as Kyrgyz Republic, and Nepal, as well as Australia and the Pacific. The newest member welcomed to the meeting was East Timor.

There was then an address by Hans D'Orville of UNESCO Head Office about the structure of UNESCO, strategic planning and changes to UNESCO's systems.

He explained that the two key objectives are:

- The eradication of poverty
- Building of knowledge societies.

The UNESCO strategic plan is participatory and results based: expected results of policies and objectives are identified, performance indicators for these are agreed and then work plans are developed. A strategic review of education is underway and it has been agreed that the World Heritage Committee is to be strengthened through additional staffing and funding.  
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## **UNESCO Asia Pacific Regional Meeting *cont.***

UNESCO has also developed a range of Millennium goals which are implemented at a national level. UNESCO is developing new partnerships with groups in order to be more effective than in the past.

One of the purposes of the Asia Pacific meeting was to prepare comments, ideas and proposals for the contents of UNESCO plans, and the priorities and modalities (the action items). This regional meeting followed on from previous 'cluster' meetings of groups of commissions: for instance there was a meeting in Fiji for Pacific countries.

The output from the meeting is to be a report on the regional consultations which, through a series of reports will be finally presented as the strategy and priorities for 2005/7 at the UNESCO General Conference. Through this regional process UNESCO is taking a more strategic and policies based approach to work planning and budget allocation. The final decision will be a plan which is implemented at the Field Officer level.

In summary, the cluster is to be the principle focus of implementation of UNESCO strategy, and there is to be no hierarchy of UNESCO levels.

The important aspects for IFLA are that IFLA associations and delegates must make contact with their national commissions to establish credibility and an understanding of our role as landscape architects so that if IFLA joint projects arise they will be supported by UNESCO. This is particularly important for the Latin American education project. Perhaps those involved could invite UNESCO Field Officers to the start of training sessions.

In the afternoon delegates broke into the 7 'cluster' groups to review previous meeting decisions and decide their participation programme (PP). In the evening a reception with the Governor General of NZ, Dame Sylvia Cartright, was held for participants.

The conference had another four days of meetings which included further cluster meetings and decision making on strategy and plans.

### **3. Discussion with Vietnamese/Lao/ Cambodian representatives**

The Eastern Region has been working on an idea to start a new chair in landscape architecture in Vietnam. I met with delegates from Lao, Cambodia and Vietnam to canvas support for this project and to try to find out what funding might be available to support it. The suggestion from the delegates and officers was that IFLA should promote a meeting and seminar in Vietnam, in conjunction with UNESCO. We should invite education ministers and politicians from the three countries as well as other disciplines and UNESCO, to develop support for a course for the three countries: then regional funding might be achieved. There was willingness to support such an approach.

### **4. Discussion with Pacific and Philippino representatives**

The possibility of UNESCO/IFLA support for new landscape architecture courses in the Philippines and South Pacific was also discussed with delegates.

### **5. Project funding system**

It appears that unless a project is within the UNESCO strategic plan, is listed on the participation programme, and has other funding input (is a partnership project) it is unlikely to be supported. So if IFLA is seeking further education or other project assistance it must work with local field officers and delegates to seek support and have the project listed as a PP.

### **6. Contact with UN Commissions**

IFLA will obtain a list of national commissions and associations and delegates are urged to make contact to see how they can work with UNESCO.

**Diane Menzies**

27 May 2004

## The Landscape Institute LI (UK)

The major focus of the Institute over the next few months will be the preparations for our 75th Anniversary celebrations, which will take place on 24th and 25th of June in Nottingham, UK. The two-day celebrations begin with technical tours of local sites of interest, followed in the evening by an Awards Dinner, at which the winners of the biennial National Awards will be announced. This year, special 75th Anniversary Members' Awards will be presented, which have given LI members the opportunity to both nominate and vote upon those individuals and schemes which have inspired them in the first 75 years of the LI. The conference, on 'New Lives, New Landscapes', will follow the next day. Speakers include such dignitaries as Hal Moggridge, Kathryn Gustafson and Sir Stuart Lipton. An exhibition will also take place throughout the two days, displaying fascinating archive material from the Institute, plus information from practices, branches and suppliers.

The event will be an opportunity for members, related professionals and others to celebrate past achievements and focus on future goals for the profession. Booking details are available on the website, [www.li.org.uk](http://www.li.org.uk).

The Institute is also moving premises this month, to a central London location. It is hoped that the move will increase the accessibility of the Institute and its services to members, whilst also heightening the profile of the Institute and the profession. Details of the new Secretariat will be available shortly.

A number of other initiatives and reviews are also in progress, so as to improve the processes of the Institute and the ability of the Secretariat to support the membership and the profession. In addition, the LI is laying plans for the 2005 IFLA World Congress, which will take place in Edinburgh.

The LI is delighted to have the opportunity to organise the Congress and looks forward to welcoming our fellow professionals from around the world in June of next year.

Many thanks,  
**Jane Morris** Committee Support  
 Manager  
 The Landscape Institute [www.li.org.uk](http://www.li.org.uk)

## Effective Monitoring and Lobbying for Landscape Architects in the European Union

Does a European Landscape Policy exist? It is hard to say. But it is certainly true that European Policies are a major force shaping European Landscapes.

The European Associations of Landscape Architects, the members of the International Federation of Landscape Architects, IFLA and the European Foundation for Landscape Architecture, EFLA wish to improve monitoring and lobbying for European Landscape Architects within the enlarged European Union. In order to get to grips with all the new developments in Europe, a project called "Effective Monitoring and Lobbying for Landscape Architects in the European Union" was started recently. *Partners* of the project are EFLA, IFLA, BDLA and BSLA.

### The objectives are

- a. to identify and influence EU policies and issues that are of interest to the profession,
- b. to develop, implement and evaluate continuous effective measures for building contacts with the EU and for influencing EU policies and issues that are of interest to the profession,
- c. to build networks with the EU bodies and to strengthen the role of landscape architecture in the development and protection of European landscapes in a wider context.

As a first step during the first half of 2004 the project members have identified the relevant fields of action and defined priorities. Contacts to relevant EU Officers (Officials?) have been established in order to follow up political developments and to deepen the understanding of emerging tasks.

The EU Commission has recently published a new major policy document called "Proposal for a reformed Cohesion Policy". In line with this the members of the Monitoring Project have defined the financial instruments and objectives for the Programme Period of 2007 – 2013 as their main field of action. The outlined "new architecture for EU cohesion Policy after 2006" will doubtless have a significant impact on European Landscapes and the professional activities of landscape architects. Furthermore the shaping of new funding opportunities and schemes with regard to Environmental Policies (DG Environment) and the reform of the Common Agricultural Policy (DG Agriculture) are additional topics for the project. During 2004 and 2005 the mayor decisions with respect to the future European Funding Policies will be taken in Brussels. Therefore it is essential to be at the right place at the right time when this will happen in Brussels.

In order to disseminate the results of the project to as many European Landscape Architects as possible, National Associations should consider participating actively in the approach. The very important new structure of the European Funding Schemes mentioned above as well as the forthcoming new Structural Funds should be very interesting and clearly defined topics for National Association to get actively involved with. Sharing the experiences and findings of the monitoring project should be easy and could enable them to inform Landscape Architects about the next challenges and opportunities in their own national planning environment.

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## International Events

### Congress International Society of City and Regional Planners – ISoCARP

18 – 22 September 2004

#### MANAGEMENT of URBAN REGIONS; Experiences and New Intervention Possibilities

The Registration Brochure and FORM are available for downloading from the ISoCARP WEBSITE at: <http://www.isocarp.org/pub/events/congress/2004/en/>

REGISTRATION has begun (early registration until 30th June 2004)



### European Landscape Architecture Students Association

ELASA is an association of European landscape architecture student organizations with the purpose to support co-operation, exchange of ideas and understanding between landscape architecture students throughout Europe. Each year an Annual Conference and smaller Mini-meetings are arranged.

#### ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2004

28.08. - 08.09.2004,  
Slovakia & Czech Rep.



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2004 ELASA MEETING  
ELASA 2004  
[elasa@gmx.net](mailto:elasa@gmx.net)  
Czecho-Slovakia  
Aug. 27 - Sept. 8

### UN-HABITAT / UNESCO World Urban Forum, BARCELONA

Dear colleagues,

On behalf of the Director of the World Heritage Centre, Mr. Francesco Bandarin, I have the pleasure to invite you to the Second World Urban Forum, which will take place in Barcelona, Spain, from 13 to 17 September 2004.

During the Second World Urban Forum, organized by UN-HABITAT, in cooperation with UNESCO, the World Heritage Centre will organize a side event on the morning of Tuesday 14 September (from 09.30 to 12.30h), entitled: "**Cities as World Heritage**".

The proposed structure for this event will be to start with a 20 minutes presentation on World Heritage Cities (more than 200 cities have been designated as World Heritage and many of them experience serious challenges for conservation), to explain pressing issues, followed by roundtable discussions on two themes:

- 1) Urban Heritage Conservation as Social Process (from 10.00 to 11.00)
- 2) Sustainability of Urban Heritage Conservation in a Globalizing World (from 11.00 to 12.00), with a final 30 minutes to wrap-up and conclude.

With a view to invite our partners in urban conservation (The World Bank, ICOMOS, IUA, IFLA, ICCROM, etc.) to present their vision and strategies on these issues, you are cordially invited to participate in this upcoming event. Next to providing audience and partners with different viewpoints and expert advice, this roundtable discussion will feed also into our other important upcoming event: the Vienna Conference on "World Heritage and Contemporary Architecture - Managing the Historic Urban Landscape", scheduled for 12 to 14 May 2005.

Please indicate as soon as possible whether you intend to participate, as you need to register individually through the UN-HABITAT website for the event (see: [www.un-habitat.org](http://www.un-habitat.org)) BEFORE 30 JUNE 2004.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Kerstin Manz ([k.manz@unesco.org](mailto:k.manz@unesco.org)) or myself ([r.vanoers@unesco.org](mailto:r.vanoers@unesco.org)). Upon receipt of your confirmation, further details concerning the side event will be provided.

Thank you for your attention and hope to see you in Barcelona.

On behalf of Francesco Bandarin, with kind regards,

**Ron van Oers.**

## IFLA Eastern Region web site



Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that the IFLA Eastern Region web site is now live at the following address:

[www.iflaonline.org/er](http://www.iflaonline.org/er)

We thank those involved in its development, including Cosmonaut Web Factory and ASLA for their much valued support in hosting the site.

One of the sites features is an image gallery which aims to strengthen and showcase our community. We encourage members, friends and colleagues from all over the eastern region to contribute.

We have purposely started off modestly with the intention that the site develops with time. It's success will depend on your contribution so please forward to me information you would like posted on the site, or links that you think will be of interest to the landscape architectural profession. You should also notify me of any corrections to individual addresses or other information.

With kind regards

**James Hayter**  
IFLA Eastern Region Vice  
President  
[jhayter@jhaa.com.au](mailto:jhayter@jhaa.com.au)

## L'École Nationale Supérieure du Paysage (ENSP) de Versailles

IFLA 2004-041  
May 17, 2004

**Monsieur Jacques Chirac**  
Président de la République  
Palais de l'Élysée  
Rue du Faubourg Saint-Honoré  
75008 Paris  
France

Monsieur le Président

Nous, architectes-paysagistes membres de la Fédération Internationale des Architectes-Paysagistes (IFLA), avons appris le projet de transfert de l'École Nationale Supérieure du Paysage (ENSP) de Versailles à Angers.

L'IFLA compte parmi ses priorités le développement de l'enseignement du paysage. Nous sommes donc attachés au maintien de cette école, qui a fait la preuve de la qualité de son enseignement, et nous ne comprendrions pas qu'il n'y ait plus d'enseignement de l'architecture du paysage dans la région de Paris.

Par ailleurs, l'IFLA a son siège dans les locaux mêmes de cette école, en raison du rayonnement international du lieu et de l'école, et pour renforcer la relation entre l'enseignement et la profession. La proximité de Paris, des jardins de Le Nôtre et de cette prestigieuse école est pour l'IFLA déterminante dans cette localisation. Si l'ENSP quitte Versailles, notre fédération n'aura plus autant de raisons de conserver son siège en France.

Nous vous demandons donc de ne pas donner suite à ce projet de transfert, et de maintenir l'ENSP à Versailles.

*We, landscape architects of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA), have heard of the project of transfer of the École Nationale Supérieure du Paysage (ENSP) from Versailles to Angers.*

*IFLA has among its priorities the development of education in landscape architecture. The continuation of this school is therefore important to us, as it has proved the quality of its teaching. We can not understand why there should be no more teaching of landscape architecture in Paris region.*

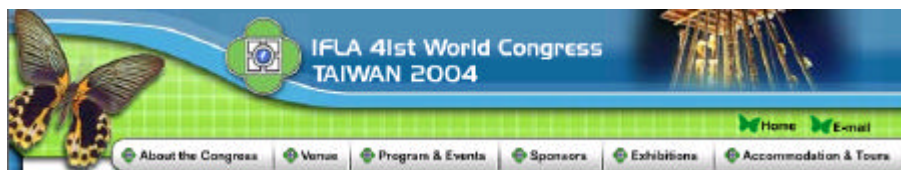
*Moreover, IFLA has its headquarters in the very buildings of this school, because of the international reputation of the place and of the school, and to strengthen the ties between education and the profession. The proximity of Paris, of Le Nôtre's gardens and of this famous school is important in the choice of this location. Should the ENSP leave Versailles, our Federation would not have as many reasons to keep its headquarters in France.*

*We therefore ask you not to give effect to this project, and to keep the ENSP in Versailles.*

Please accept, your excellence, the assurances of my high consideration,

Martha C. Fajardo

President International Federation of Landscape Architects



## The 41st IFLA World Congress Taiwan 2004

### World Council Meeting

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the organizing committee, we are pleased to announce that the 41<sup>st</sup> IFLA World Congress will be held on September 9-11, 2004 in Taipei, Taiwan.

The **IFLA World Council Meeting**, is to be held at the Ta Shee Resort (<http://www.tasheeresort.com.tw/english/index.htm>) on September 6- 8, 2004.

#### Agenda

Events	Date/ Time	Place
Executive Committee Meeting	September 5 08:30- 17:30	Howard Plaza Hotel, Taipei
IFLA World Council Meeting	September 6-7 08:30- 17:30	Ta Shee Resort
Post Meeting Tour	September 8 09:00- 17:00	Yingge Ceramics Museum Sanhsia & Tsu Shih Temple

Participants	Total Cost
<b>IFLA Committee Member</b>	<b>USD 500</b>
<b>Accompanying person</b>	<b>USD 200</b>
<b>Observer</b>	<b>USD 500</b>

#### Transportation

For your convenience, there are certain choices from the airport to the World Council meeting venue. Charges and information are listed below:

<b>Pick up arranged by hotel</b>	NT 1800/ one way
<b>Taxi</b>	NT 1200 (approximately)/ one way
<b>Mini bus of the hotel</b>	NT 400/ one way
<b>Mini bus's time schedule (Departure from C.K.S Airport)</b>	
1:00 PM -3:00 PM - 6:00 PM	
<b>TWD33=USD1 (April. 2004)</b>	

For taking part the meeting, participants and accompanying persons are requested to fill in the reply form and send appropriate fees to the Conference Secretariat before **June 15, 2004**.

If you have special requests regarding accommodation or other related requirements, please do not hesitate to contact the Congress Secretariat—**Grace Yang** ([grace@weplanpco.com](mailto:grace@weplanpco.com)) for further assistance.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

**Mingkuo Yu**

Chairperson

2004 IFLA Taiwan

April 26<sup>th</sup> 2004

**2<sup>nd</sup>. IFLA World Congress Student Charette,  
TAIWAN SEPTEMBER 2004**

Dear Landscape Architectural Academic Colleagues

On behalf of the organising committee of the 41<sup>st</sup> IFLA World Congress, we are very pleased to invite you and students from your landscape architectural programme to participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup>. IFLA World Congress Student Charette to be held in Taipei in September. The charette will provide a student centred forum for collaborative design and an opportunity for students to meet, talk and work together. Reflecting the themes of the World Congress, the charette's focus is on developing and conserving the urban and cultural landscapes of Wanhua, which is a comparatively old suburb in central Taipei. The area is a vibrant mix of commercial and residential, with what could be a charming matrix of roads, lanes and pedestrian ways and a number of character buildings and character residents. However, the area is run-down, the matrix of lanes and pedestrian links has been spoilt by in-filling, the patterns of open space are disjointed and the neighbourhood has been cut from its surrounds by wide and busy highways. In short, like many neighbourhoods all over the world, Wanhua is ripe for redevelopment and is teetering between demolition and renewal. The task of the students who attend the charette will be to design a way out of this malaise; in the course of which they must both maintain the essential character of this neighbourhood, and allow it to move into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Which is a design problem of global significance affecting vast numbers of the world's population.

As well as the charette we have also set up a student centred and student priced stream in the IFLA conference itself. This will allow students to attend keynote presentations, a student led congress for students, and special landscape tours of the city (in place of the much more expensive conference tours) all at a substantially discounted price. The programme for this is as follows:

DATE TIME	Sept 6 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 7 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 8 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Morning</b>		Site Visit	Draft presentation & project work
<b>Afternoon</b>	Students arrive	Project work	Project work
<b>Evening</b>	Welcome to charette, introduction to project, social and dinner	Taipei at night, evening tour visiting site, project work	Project work, presentation move to Shilim night market for dinner and social

DATE TIME	Sept 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 10 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sept 12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Morning</b>		Conference	Conference	Conference
<b>Afternoon</b>	Conference	City Tour by MRT ~ History, design, key designers, designs & sites	Student Congress	Parks tour by MRT ~ Peilau hot spring
<b>Evening</b>	Welcome reception and trade display	Free time	Free time	Farewell party

*(Please note that this programme is subject to final confirmation)*

What next? We will contact you again in a few weeks with further updates. In the interim we would be grateful if you would let your senior classes know about the charette so that they can begin thinking about attending.

We hope to see you and some of your students at the charette and the world congress.

Yours sincerely

**Mingkuo Yu**  
Chairman 2004 World Congress Organising Committee

**Hou-Nan Tsai**  
Co-convenor Student Charette  
National Taiwan University

**Neil Challenger**  
Convenor Student Charette  
Lincoln University

## Student Design Competition

**Deadline of Submission: July 15, 2004**

Please download "Student Declaration Form" from the website: [www.ifla2004.org.tw](http://www.ifla2004.org.tw)

### Themes & Prizes

1. "Integration and Harmony in Landscape Architecture" – The main theme focuses on how to blend the traditional and modern, man-made and nature or diversified cultural backgrounds and to create a well-balanced environment.
2. Project types can be related to the following subjects: including "Urban landscape and public works", "Cultural landscape and indigenous community planning", "Recreational and landscape conservation" and "Waterfront developments and ecological engineering".

**1st Prize (UNESCO Prize)** – US\$ 3,500 & Certificate

**2nd Prize ( Zvi Miller`s Prize)** – US\$ 2,500 & Certificate

**3rd Prize (Taiwan Prize)** – US\$ 1,000 & Certificate

**4th Prize** – 3 Merits Award & Certificate

Congress Registration Fees (For International Participants)		USD
Member	Before June 1, 2004	350
	After June 1, 2004	400
Non-IFLA Member	Before June 1, 2004	400
	After June 1, 2004	450
Student	Before June 1, 2004	120
	After June 1, 2004	150
Companion	Before June 1, 2004	200
	After June 1, 2004	250

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## Commonwealth Association of Planners

Commonwealth Association of Planners (CAP), together with the Malaysian Institute of Planners (MIP) and the Singapore Institute of Planners (SIP), in cooperation with the Federal Town and Country Planning Department of Malaysia, are organizing the 2004 CAP World Congress on 5-7 July 2004 in the Renaissance Hotel in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

### The Theme of the Congress is "Place Making and Sustainable Communities in Urban Development".

The Congress has received the support and endorsement of the Ministry of Housing, and will be officiated by the Honourable Prime Minister of Malaysia, Dato' Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

#### Sub themes

- I Urban Poverty and Affordable Housing
- II Solutions towards sustainable Development, incl. Transportation, Energy Conservation
- III Place Making and Community Participation
- IV Heritage and Culture.

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