Invitation

World Heritage – Mission to Shape the Future!

5 and 6 November 2020 Conference
Congress Centre Leipzig

Since 2014, the Free State of Saxony has been part of the „denkmal“ programme. The Saxon State Ministry for Regional Development that has been responsible for the department of monument conservation and protection since December 2019 will, this year, provide information on the Year of Industrial Heritage and present the winners of the prize-winning projects of the state programme „Pegasus – Schools Adopt Monuments“. Communicating the value of our cultural heritage to future generations is a central task and one of the main tasks of each World Heritage Site.

In addition to the „Muskauer Park/Park Mużakowski“, the Free State of Saxony has another very new World Heritage Site. Last year, in 2019, the transboundary German-Czech Erzgebirge/Krušněhorský Mining Region was inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. It is a mining landscape that developed from the 12th century on both sides of the Saxon-Bohemian border and is characterized by 22 largely original preserved historical technical monuments as well as numerous individual monuments associated with the mining region. The 22 World Heritage Site component parts prove the importance of the mining region as a heritage of mankind. Here – as in the other World Heritage Sites – young people play an important role in the protection and preservation as well as in the sustainable development of the region.

This year’s conference takes up the current topic „World Heritage and Sustainability“ and deals with the potential of World Heritage education for a sustainable design of our future. The aim is to interpret the World Heritage Site in a contemporary way and to focus in particular on young people. Motivating the younger generations to actively participate in the sustainable further development of World Heritage Sites can serve as a model and provide impulses to develop entire regions.

Together with all partners of the conference „World Heritage – Mission to Shape the Future!“, I cordially invite you to Leipzig and wish all participants and guests enriching discussions and inspiring results that may flourish in the spirit of the motto of the conference as a mission for further consideration and action.

Thomas Schmidt
Saxon Minister of State for Regional Development
Programme 5 November 2020

10:00 h  Welcome and Opening Speeches
Frank Pfeil (State Secretary, Saxon State Ministry of Regional Development)
Christoph Kraus (Head of the Department for General Cultural Care, Ministry of Science, Education and Culture, Rhineland-Palatinate)
Maria Böhmer (President of the German Commission for UNESCO)

10:15 h  World Heritage and Sustainability
moderated by Tino Mager (ICOMOS)
World Heritage and Sustainable Development Goals – Ege Yildirim (ICOMOS)*
World Heritage and Sustainable Tourism – Peter Debrine (World Heritage Centre)*
World Heritage and its Importance for Education for Sustainable Development – Carolin Kolhoff (German Commission for UNESCO)
Contemporary Interpretive Planning for World Heritage Sites – Thorsten Ludwig (Interpret Europe)*

11:35 h  Discussion and Questions

12:15 h  Lunch

13:15 h  World Heritage Heirs
moderated by Claudia Schwarz (German UNESCO World Heritage Sites Association)
“I will inherit everything”: Statements from Perspectives of the Youth – Florentine Salomon (Bergmusikkorps Saxonia Freiberg Association) and students representative (Upper Middle Rhine Valley)
World Heritage – Mission for Sustainability and Education: Statements from the Perspective of World Heritage Sites – Nadya König-Lehrmann (Upper Middle Rhine Valley World Heritage Association) and Friederike Hansell (Saxon State Office for the Conservation of Monuments)
Future Designers: Involving young people and making World Heritage ready for the future – a critical view from the perspective of Generation Z – Simon Schnetzer (Youth Researcher)

15:00 h  Coffee Break

15:30 h  Future Designers: What are the goals from the perspective of those responsible for World Heritage? And how do we achieve that young people develop an emotional attachment to the World Heritage? – Simon Schnetzer (Youth Researcher)

16:45 h  Summary

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10:00 h  Welcome and Opening Speeches
Rolf Höhmann (Speaker of the ICOMOS Working Group „Monuments of industry and technology“)
Helmuth Albrecht (Director of the Institute for Industrial Archaeology and History of Science and Technology, TU Bergakademie Freiberg)

10:10 h  Industrial World Heritage Sites in the Context of Sustainability
moderated by Rolf Höhmann (ICOMOS)

- World Heritage and Sustainability: Implementation and Challenges in Practice – Michael Kloos (RheinMain University)
- Why Inherit Industry? – Gerhard Lenz (World Heritage Site Rammelsberg – Museum and Visitors Mine)
- Reuse and Conversion of Water Heritage Sites – Tino Mager (ICOMOS)

11:15 h  Coffee Break

11:30 h  Strategies for Implementation
Management Plans and the Implementation of Sustainability Goals:

- Example: Cornwall and West DevonMining Landscape World Heritage Site – Deborah Boden (Cornwall Council)*
- Example: Zollverein Coal Mine Industrial Complex World Heritage Site – Hans-Peter Noll (Zollverein Foundation)

Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) for 2030: Ethical questions, conflicts and solutions in the field of tension between the preservation of cultural heritage and challenges of climate change – Ulrich Müllegger (World Heritage Office Augsburg)

- Learning Places - Erzgebirge/Krušnohorský Mining Region World Heritage Site – Claudia Grünberg (Institute Heritage Studies, Berlin) und Katharina Jesswein (TU Bergakademie Freiberg)
- Developing e-learning Curriculum on World Heritage – Ping Kong (Heritage & Education GmbH I. G.)

12:45 h  Discussion
* in English

Registration:
Please register until 30 October 2020:
https://mitdenken.sachsen.de/1021807
The number of participants is limited.

Venue:
Leipziger Messe GmbH, Congress Center Leipzig, Messe-Allee 1, 04356 Leipzig
Level 0 – Multi-purpose area 2

Conference language:
German, English

Hygiene regulations:
Please bring your own mouth and nose protection.