



IFLA-IFPRA Memorandum of Understanding

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA) and the International Federation of Parks and Recreation Administration (www.ifpra.org) at the IFPRA Asia Pacific Congress held in Christchurch, New Zealand in September 2008. At the regional and international level, IFLA and IFPRA could both be more visible and effective by working together. They are small in numbers when compared to engineers, or architects, but are both interested in broad-scale environmental issues such as nature protection, spiritual landscapes, and heritage conventions. IFLA and IFPRA will be able to address more issues, participate in more forums and debates and raise awareness of their concerns more effectively. As an extension of Membership Services, IFLA has negotiated a reduced introductory membership rate for IFLA members wishing to join IFPRA. For further details relating to rates, please check www.iflaonline.org.

Agreement between IFLA and ICOMOS

To formalize and expand the long relationship between ICOMOS and IFLA, the International Federation of Landscape Architects and the International Council of Monuments and Sites, ICOMOS President Michael Petzet and IFLA President Diane Menzies signed an Agreement on the 30th of September, in Quebec City, Canada at the opening session of the ICOMOS General Assembly. IFLA and ICOMOS have long collaborated through the joint ICOMOS/IFLA International Scientific Committee (ISC) on Cultural Landscapes. In this new Agreement, IFLA and ICOMOS have agreed "to expand this relationship, invite to and acknowledge each organization at the other's General Assemblies and World Congresses, provide members for each others' relevant committees and work programmes, and provide enhanced service to support their members' professional needs through joint development, commitment, and action." This Agreement will result among other things in advising each other on means of incorporating heritage issues and concerns in landscape architectural education and landscape architecture and historic landscape issues and concerns in heritage education programs; strengthening their professions in developing countries, and participating in other ICOMOS ISC's in addition to the ICOMOS/IFLA Cultural Landscape Committee, such as Historic Towns; coordinating efforts, individually and through the ICOMOS/IFLA CL and Historic Towns ISC's, to provide input and support to the development of the UNESCO Historic Urban Landscape (HUL) initiative; and developing a World Landscape Charter that incorporates concern for the preservation and enhancement of the World environment, and sensitive development of both natural and cultural landscapes within it to enhance the quality of life of human beings. Finally, IFLA will coordinate with ICOMOS, DOCOMOMO International, and other heritage bodies to share experiences, committees and work programs, and consolidate support for 20th Century Heritage at Risk and any other heritage matters of mutual interest.

The European Landscape Convention: A Conference on its Implications for Education and Practice

Graduate School of Design, Harvard University. The one-day conference will explore the developing public awareness of landscape, and the landscape planning policies and practices now evolving as a result of the Convention. The Autonomous Region of Valencia, Spain will be a focal case study. Speakers will include: *Maguelonne Dejeant-Pons*, Head of the Cultural Heritage, Landscape and Spatial Planning (Council of Europe), *Enrique Alonso*, Permanent Councilor on Environmental Law (Ministerial Council of Spain), *Arancha Munoz Criado*, Director of Territorial Landscape Planning (Valencia, Spain), *Richard Forman*, Professor of landscape Ecology (Harvard Graduate School of Design), *Michael Batty*, Bartlett Professor of Planning and Director of the Centre for Advanced Spatial Analysis (University College London), *Richard Stiles*, leader of the Le:Notre program and *Martha Fajardo*, (Immediate Past President of IFLA. The conference will be held on **Saturday October 25, 2008 from 9am to 4pm**, in Piper Auditorium at the Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, 48 Quincy Street, Cambridge MA. Lunch and coffee will be available at the GSD. Attendance is free and open to all interested persons. All Attendees must register, by October 15th, and by email to steinitz@gsd.harvard.edu

Symposium On Education In Landscape Architecture

Organized by IFLA Education Committee and the Bolivarian Pontifical University (Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana), a **Symposium on Education in Landscape Architecture** will be held in **Medellin, Colombia** from **November 13 to 15, 2008**. The aim of this three-day event will be to pool the focus, state and perspectives of educational programmes in landscape architecture in Latin America. For further information, please contact Ms. Gloria Aponte at ecotono@etb.net.co

Barangaroo Public Domain Design Expressions of Interest

The New South Wales Government is inviting expressions of interest from pre-eminent landscape architecture and urban design teams to design a world-class public domain and new parklands adjoining Sydney Harbour. The project is seeking high caliber national and international companies with the vision, capacity and credentials to create a detailed design for the iconic headland park, an outline design for the promenade and other public space and design guidelines for the public domain elements. **Expressions of interest close 13 November 2008**. Visit www.barangaroo.com

The European Foundation for Landscape Architecture Seminar

Brussels, Belgium. November 14, 2008. Global Warming: the role of landscape architecture. A discussion of the global warming in relation to EU policy, and discussion of good practice in landscape planning and land management. EFLA's 2008 Seminar is devoted to climate change and global warming. It will examine EU climate change policies and

their impact on physical planning and management of the landscape; it will examine the role of landscape architecture and give a platform for examples of good practice. It will also examine how landscape architects across Europe are dealing with these issues at national level. The main themes of the seminar are: What is the effectiveness of EU climate change policies in practice? What can landscape architects do to reduce the impact of climate change or to manage the consequences? and A review of good practice. This seminar will be of interest to: landscape architects in much of Europe, to those advising landscape architects, to fellow environmental design and planning professionals, to those involved in physical planning, development and management of the landscape. Venue: CIVA Centre International pour la Ville l'Architecture et le Paysage, rue de l'Ermitage 55. For registration details, please contact Ms. Jeanine Colin at efla-feap@skynet.be / www.efla.org

Mediterra 2009: 1st Mediterranean Conference on Earth Architecture

13-16 March 2009 in Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy. Under the aegis of the UNESCO, ICCROM, ICOMOS-ISCEAH and the Getty Conservation Institute. Mediterra 2009 aims principally to state the art of research, to study recent achievements in heritage conservation and architectural design, to increase university and professional training and to gather the network activities developed in the Mediterranean region. This 1st Conference will include specialists from throughout the Mediterranean region. It will also have a trans-disciplinary contribution that will bridge natural sciences, social sciences, and professional practices. A new global challenge requires a broad definition of a new discipline, with earth architecture at the crossroads of the sciences. The Mediterranean Region, with its history of many cultures and civilizations, now emerges as the core of new political and societal challenges being shared among Europe, North Africa and the Middle East. The themes of the conference will deal with Earth-building cultures and traditional architecture, Archaeology, history and anthropology, Conservation of cultural heritage, Research about architecture, town planning and cultural landscape and Academic teaching and professional training. Languages: French & English (with simultaneous translation). For more information visit <http://people.unica.it/mediterra/>

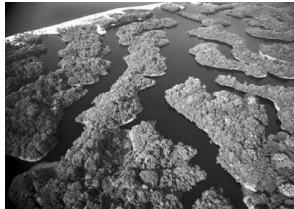
2nd International Conference on Landscape and Urban Horticulture

The University of Bologna, Italy will hold the **2nd International Conference on Landscape and Urban Horticulture on June 9 to 13, 2009**. The aim of the conference is to provide not only with a forum for scientists but also to share the diverse experiences, perspectives and results of participants and contributors coming from different fields of urban horticulture. The conference will focus on themes dealing with the relationship "People-Plants-Quality of Life".

Further information at <http://www.luh2009.sistemacongressi.it/index.htm>

Third Latinscapes, landscape as raw material by Jimena Martignoni

Latinscapes, landscape as raw material, was published by Gustavo Gili Publishers (Spain) and released in January of the present year. This book is a collection and theoretical analysis of the most prominent contemporary works and designers of Colombia, Venezuela, Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay and Panama. "The ideas and material presented here are the outcome of having personally explored and observed each of the projects as well as having investigated the ideas of their inventors, users and political promoters; but, above all, they are the outcome of thinking about the Latin American landscape, the reasons for its modification, its processes and direct results. The projects have been grouped in four subject areas: Master plans of urban reconversion; restoration and rehabilitation of the landscape; projects with tourist and cultural aims; and residential projects.



In the three first sections the variations on a single model of intervention in the landscape respond to the need to reconvert the uses of deteriorated, abandoned or underused sites that have gradually been produced all over the world in recent decades. The fourth section of residential projects explores private projects for the re-utilisation and restoration of landscapes." **Jimena Martignoni** graduated as an Architect at the Belgrano University (UB) in Buenos Aires, and completed post-graduate studies in Landscape Architecture at the National University of Buenos Aires (UBA) and in Social Sciences and Environment at the Latin American University of Social Sciences (FLACSO). After working for two years in a landscape architecture studio in the USA, she has been active since 2001 in landscape research and publicity in Latin America. Since 2004 she has written regularly on this subject in Landscape Architecture Magazine and other European magazines. jmartignoni_2000@yahoo.com

UNESCO ICOMOS Documentation Centre

ICOMOS Documentation Centre has created a Blog with information on new publications and documentation on cultural heritage. <http://icomosdocumentationcentre.blogspot.com>.

Call for articles for IFLA News

IFLA News No. 79 in November will focus on **Climate Change**. What it means for the public, the landscape and landscape architects. **Deadline** for articles (500-1250 words) and illustrations: **31 October 2008**. Expressions of interests from potential contributors to: john.clemens@canterbury.ac.nz