

# OMC Strengthening Cultural Heritage Resilience for Climate Change

## Cultural Heritage

The bridge connecting our past, our present and our future

**Culture: the missing link - a lens on policy**

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# Council Work Plan for Culture 2019-22

## 6 priorities

- **Sustainability in cultural heritage**
- Cohesion and well-being
- An ecosystem supporting artists, cultural and creative professionals and European content
- Gender equality
- International cultural relations
- Culture as a driver for sustainable development

***18 actions to be carried out over 4 years***

# OMC group (Council Work Plan for Culture 2019-2022)



## Title - Strengthening Cultural Heritage Resilience for Climate Change

OMC working groups are composed of and chaired by experts nominated by EU Member-States (25 MS + 3)

The mandate directly linked to UN SDG 13 *“Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts”*

Other relevant SDGs include 7, 11, 14, 15 and 17, also in mandate European Green Deal, “Paris Agreement”, UN Sendai Framework for Disaster Reduction 2015-2030, IPCC, Council Conclusions on Risk Management in area of Cultural Heritage May 2020





# Objectives and outcomes

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- Identify & exchange good practices & innovative measures for protection of cultural heritage (including both tangible & intangible)
- Examine the current & emerging threats & impacts of climate change on cultural heritage (including cultural landscapes)
- Examine contribution cultural heritage can make to mitigating & combatting climate change in line with European Green Deal's goals

**Outcomes:** Lead to awareness-raising, capacity-building & produce recommendations to contribute to discussions & planning of climate change measures at European & national level.  
Q4 2022 (CZ)

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# Update

## Questionnaire

Information lacking – mainly on **immovable heritage**



## Case studies

Best practice tangible + intangible

51 from 18 countries – 80% tangible heritage



## Sub-working groups

- Renovation, energy efficiency and mitigation
- CH and CC adaptation
- Research and innovation
- Awareness raising, education, training and policy development





# Timeline

December 2020 - Mandate agreed under German presidency

January – December 2021 - five meetings

February 2022 - 6<sup>th</sup> meeting

Q1 - Recommendations

Q1/Q2 - Final report





# The Climate Connection

## Julie's bicycle

Much in common with OMC (EGD):

- Need for policy frameworks – time of essence - integration
- Funding accountability mainstreamed into national environmental planning + more
- CCIs – key part in local economies - need to reduce green house gases



# Additional information

OMC on cultural dimension of sustainable development

[Council Conclusions 6 Oct 2021](#) – calling upon all parties, to come forward with ambitious Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and recognise the need to step up adaptation efforts collectively

[OMC High-quality architecture and built environment for everyone](#)

[ICOMOS updated Quality Principles for EU-funded interventions with potential impact on cultural heritage](#) and [Abridged version](#)

[New European Bauhaus](#)

[Sustainable cultural tourism \(SCT\) OMC member states working group report](#)

[European Cultural Heritage Green Paper, Europa Nostra in close cooperation with ICOMOS & Climate Heritage Network, with input of members of European Heritage Alliance](#)



# Thank you



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