



EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION

Florence Convention

FIFTH MEETING OF THE WORKSHOPS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION

PROGRAMME

Landscape quality objectives: from theory to practice

Girona, Spain, 28-29 September 2006
Auditori, Palau de Congressos



Close-up of the roof of the Casa de la Punxa (Girona, 1918) by Rafael Masó,
inspired by the wheat fields just outside Girona

Meeting organised by the Council of Europe, Spatial Planning and Landscape Division, in co-operation with the Secretariat General for Territory and Biodiversity of the Ministry of the Environment of Spain, the Department of Territorial Policy and Public Works of the *Generalitat* of Catalonia, the Landscape Observatory of Catalonia and the City of Girona.



Introduction

The European Landscape Convention was adopted in Florence (Italy) on 20 October 2000 and came into force on 1 March 2004, with the aim of promoting European landscape protection, management and planning, and organising European co-operation in this area. The Convention is the first international treaty to be exclusively concerned with all aspects of European landscape. It applies to the entire territory of the Parties and covers natural, rural, urban and peri-urban areas. It concerns landscapes that might be considered outstanding as well as everyday or degraded landscapes.

The Convention represents an important contribution to the implementation of the Council of Europe's objectives, namely to promote democracy, human rights and the rule of law and to seek common solutions to the main problems facing European society today. By taking into account landscape, cultural and natural values, the Council of Europe seeks to protect Europeans' quality of life and well-being.

As at 25 September 2006, 25 States had ratified the Convention: Armenia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Moldova, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, San Marino, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", Turkey, Ukraine.

8 States had signed but not ratified it: Azerbaijan, Greece, Hungary, Malta, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom.

Organisers

The Council of Europe wishes to thank the following organisers for their co-operation and support in hosting the meeting of the Workshops and related events: the Spanish Ministry of the Environment, the Department of Territorial Policy and Public Works of the *Generalitat* of Catalonia, the Landscape Observatory of Catalonia and the City of Girona. The meeting has also supported by the Swiss Federal Office of the Environment.

Purpose of the Workshops

Organised on a regular basis since 2002, the meetings of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention take a detailed look at various practical aspects of the Convention. A genuine forum for sharing practice and ideas, these meetings are also an opportunity to present new concepts and achievements in relation to the European Landscape Convention. Special emphasis is given to the experiences of the State hosting the meeting.

Four meetings of the Workshops for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention have been held so far: on 23-24 May 2002 and on 27-28 November 2003 in Strasbourg, on 16-17 June 2005 in Cork (Ireland) on "Landscapes for urban, suburban and peri-urban areas", and on 11-12 May 2006 in Ljubljana (Slovenia) on "Landscape and society".

The aim of the Girona Workshops is to:

- examine experience of implementing the provisions of Article 6, C, D and E of the European Landscape Convention with regard to the identification and assessment of landscapes, the landscape quality objectives and the implementation of landscape policies;
- provide an opportunity for sharing experience, by examining both good and bad practice in European landscape protection, management and planning.

Participants

The Workshops are open to government officials, representatives of local and regional authorities, public and private organisations and NGOs working in the field of landscape and sustainable spatial development.

The number of participants is limited to 300 and the working languages are English, French, Spanish and Catalan.

Exhibition to coincide with the Workshops

Various Spanish regions are to present the results of their landscape policy in the form of an exhibition. The Municipality of Girona will display its achievements in the field of landscape in one of the City's cultural centres and the *Generalitat* of Catalonia will present the exhibition "*País de paisatges*" ("Lands of Landscapes").

Getting there

Girona-Costa Brava airport specialises in low-cost flights. The main airline is Ryanair (www.ryanair.com), but Transavia (www.transavia.com) also operates flights in and out of Girona. There are scheduled flights to the following destinations: Karlsruhe, Baden-Baden and Dusseldorf (Germany), Brussels (Belgium), Paris (France), Eindhoven and Rotterdam (Netherlands), Dublin and Shannon (Ireland), Alghero, Milan, Pisa, Rome, Venice (Italy), Blackpool, Bournemouth, Glasgow, Liverpool, London and East Midlands (United Kingdom) and Stockholm (Sweden). The airport is 12 km from Girona City centre and is served by taxis and buses.

Barcelona airport has connections to virtually all the major European cities. It is one and a half hours' drive from Girona. Trains leave the airport every 15 minutes for Barcelona City centre (Sants Station) and from there, there are frequent train connections to Girona. See www.renfe.es for departure and arrival times. Eurolines (www.eurolines.es) also operates a direct bus service between Barcelona airport (Terminal B) and Girona City centre.

The *Auditori – Palau de Congressos* of Girona is 10 minutes' walk from the train station and bus terminal.

Parking

Parking is available along the *Auditori – Palau de Congressos*.

Meals

Meals on 28 and 29, including the welcome dinner on 28, will be provided courtesy of the organisations hosting the event.

Web sites

Details of the meeting, including information on booking hotels, are available on the following web site: www.catpaisatge.net/cep-girona2006

Information can also be found on the web sites of the institutions organising the meeting:

- Council of Europe: www.coe.int/Conventioneuropéennedupaysage
- Ministry of the Environment of Spain: www.mma.es
- Ministry of Territorial Policy and Public Works of the *Generalitat* of Catalonia: www.gencat.net/ptop
- Landscape Observatory of Catalonia: www.catpaisatge.net

Organisation

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THURSDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2006

- 8.00 – 9.00 Welcoming of the participants and registration
- 9.00 – 9.30 Opening of the meeting
Welcome speeches
- **Mr Joan NOGUE**, Director of the Landscape Observatory of Catalonia
 - **Ms Maguelonne DEJEANT-PONS**, Head of the Spatial Planning and Landscape Division, Council of Europe
 - **Mr Valery SUDARENKOV**, Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, Russian Federation
 - **Mr Enrico BUERGI**, Chair of the Conference of the European Landscape Convention
 - **Mr Oriol NEL·LO**, Secretary of Spatial Planning of the Department of Territorial Policy and Public Works, *Generalitat* of Catalonia
 - **Ms Anna PAGANS**, Mayor of Girona
 - **Mr Antonio SERRANO**, Secretary General for Territory and Biodiversity, Ministry of the Environment, Spain

WORKSHOP 1

IDENTIFYING AND ASSESSING LANDSCAPES

- 9.30 – 11.00 Introduction by the Chairs
Miss Pavlina MIŠIKOVÁ, Representative of the Slovak Republic for the European Landscape Convention
Mr Michael STARRETT, Chief Executive, The Heritage Council, Ireland
- Opening lecture*
- Identifying and enhancing landscapes
Mr Marc ANTROP, Department of Geography, University of Ghent, Belgium
- Presentation of national and regional experiences*
- The Belgian experience: the landscape territories of the Walloon Region
Ms Mireille DECONINCK, Representative of Belgium for the European Landscape Convention
 - The promotion of landscape management in Finland
Ms Silja SUOMINEN, Representative of Finland for the European Landscape Convention

- Actions for the implementation of the Landscape Convention in Lithuania
Ms Giedre GODIENE, Representative of Lithuania for the European Landscape Convention
- Discussion
- 11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break (at the second floor of the *Auditori-Palau de Congressos*)
- 11.30 – 13.00 ***Presentation of national and regional experiences***
- The Portuguese experience: landscape atlases
Ms Maria José FESTAS, Representative of Portugal for the European Landscape Convention, Chair of the Committee of Senior Officials of the European Conference of Ministers responsible for Regional Planning (CEMAT) of Council of Europe's member States
- The Slovenian experience: landscape inventories
Miss Natasa BRATINA JURKOVIČ, Representative of Slovenia for the European Landscape Convention
- The Spanish experience: the Atlas of Spanish landscapes
Ms Concepción SANZ, Department of Geography, Autonomous University of Madrid
- The UK experience: landscape character assessments (LCA)
Mr Graham FAIRCLOUGH, Representative of the United Kingdom for the European Landscape Convention
- The experience of the Veneto Region: the projects for landscape management
Mr Vincenzo FABRIS, Head of the Spatial Planning Department, Region of Venezia, Italy
- Polish experience in landscape quality objective identification on the example of the Roztocze-Solska Forest Biosphere Reserve
Miss Barbara Natalia SOWINSKÀ, Agricultural University of Lublin, Department of Landscape Ecology and Nature Conservation
- Discussion
- Workshop summary
Moderator: **Miss Ivana RADIĆ**, Representative of Croatia for the European Landscape Convention
- 13.00 – 15.00 Lunch (at the second floor of the *Auditori-Palau de Congressos*). Please produce your ticket during the registration.

WORKSHOP 2

LANDSCAPE QUALITY OBJECTIVES AND IMPLEMENTATION OF LANDSCAPE POLICIES

15.00 – 16.30 Introduction by the Chairs
Miss Ghislaine DEVILLERS, Representative of Belgium at the Steering Committee for Cultural Heritage (CDPAT) of the Council of Europe
Mr Phaedon ENOTIADES, Representative of Cyprus for the European Landscape Convention

Opening lecture

– Landscape quality objectives and the implementation of landscape policies
Mr Yves LUGINBUHL, Professor at Paris I University, Council of Europe expert

Presentation of national and regional policies

– Landscape: practice of contradiction? Andorra, a case study
Mr Jean-Michel ARMENGOL, National Commission of Andorra for UNESCO and **Mr Joan REGUANT**, President of ICOMOS, Andorra

– Landscape Plans in France
Mr Jean-François SEGUIN, Representative of France for the European Landscape Convention

– Landscape policies in Italy
Ms Anna DI BENE, Representative of Italy for the European Landscape Convention

– The Spanish experience: landscape catalogues and landscape guidelines for Catalonia
Mr Joan NOGUE, Director of the Landscape Observatory of Catalonia, Spain

– Switzerland's "Landscape 2020" project
Mr Andreas STALDER, Representative of Switzerland for the European Landscape Convention

Discussion

16.30 – 17.00 Break

17.00 – 18.30 *Presentation of landscape concepts and European projects*

– Territory as a palimpsest: the results of the PLANARCH project – planning, archaeology and landscape
Ms Marie-Jeanne GHENNE, Head of the Secretariat of the Hainaut Province Chamber, Walloon Region, Royal Commission on Monuments, Sites and Excavations and **Mr John WILLIAMS**, Head of Heritage Conservation, Kent County Council, United Kingdom

– Territory as a cultural area: The Culture Landscapes Project – New alliances amongst science, regional economy and local people

Mr Burkhardt KOLBMÜLLER, Interreg IIIB Cadeses project co-ordinator

- Territory as an area for sustainable development: the results of the Interrg III B Cadeses project “Landscape Opportunities” (LOTO) – Guidelines for landscape management and spatial transformation

Ms Anna ROSSI, Directorate General of Territory and Town Planning of the Lombardy Region, **Ms Lionella SCAZZOSI**, Professor at the University of Milan and Council of Europe expert, **Mr Massimo ANGRILLI**, Faculty of Architecture, University of Pescara, Italy and **Mr Giancarlo POLI**, Assessor for Regional Development Planning, Emilia-Romagna Region, Italy

- Guide to Good Practice: the work done by the European Council for the Village and Small Town

Mr Michael DOWER and **Mr Arthur SPIEGLER**, European Council for the Village and Small Town (ECOVAST)

Discussion

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18.30 – 19.00 Workshop summary

Moderator: **Mr Gertjan JOBSE**, Representative of the European Federation of Landscape Architects (EFLA)

21.00 Dinner hosted by the local organisers in Bellavista Hotel (Pujada Polvorins, 1. 17004 Girona).

Please produce your ticket during the registration. The hotel is 15 minutes’ walk from the town centre. There will also be a bus service.

FRIDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2006

WORKSHOP 3

THE SPANISH EXPERIENCE

9.00 – 10.30 Introduction by the Chairs
Mr Joan GANYET i SOLE, Director General of Architecture and Landscape of the *Generalitat* of Catalonia

Mr Pedro GRIMALT, General Director of Management and Spatial Planning of the *Generalitat* of Valencia

Opening lecture

- Actions for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention in Spain
Mr Florencio ZOIDO, Professor at the University of Seville, Council of Europe expert

Presentation of regional experiences

- The Landscape Law and the Landscape Observatory of Catalonia
Mr Pere SALA, Co-ordinator of the Landscape Observatory of Catalonia, Spain
- Landscape and territories of Cantabria

Ms Miriam GARCÍA, Director General of Urbanism and Spatial planning, Government of Cantabria

- The experience of Canarias
Mr Miguel Ángel PULIDO, Director General of Spatial Planning, Government of Canarias
- The legislative framework and incentives in landscape area of the *Generalitat* of Valencia
Mr Vincente COLLADO CAPILLA, Head of the Department of Urbanism, *Generalitat* of Valencia

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break (at the second floor of the *Auditori-Palau de Congressos*).

11.00 – 13.00 ***Presentation of European and local experiences***

- The Spanish regions' involvement in the INTERREG IIC Medoc Pays Doc project: good landscape practice
Mr Jaume BUSQUETS, Subdirector-General responsible for Landscape, Department of Territorial Policy and Public Works of the *Generalitat* of Catalonia, Spain, and **Mr Gonzalo ACOSTA**, Head of the Service for Territorial Planification, Regional Government of Andalusia, Spain
- The implementation of landscape quality objectives at local scale : the experience of the City of Girona
Mr. Ponç FELIU, Councillor in Environment, City of Girona
- Dealing with the hydrological landscape: the Tagus basin
Mr Rafael MATA OLMO, Professor of Geography, Autonomous University of Madrid
- The 4th European Biennial on Landscape, Barcelona
Mr Jordi BELLMUNT, Professor at the Technical University of Catalonia
- Discussion
- Workshop summary
- Moderator: **Ms Margarita ORTEGA**, Representative of Spain for the European Landscape Convention

13.00 – 15.00 Lunch (at the second floor of the *Auditori-Palau de Congressos*). Please produce your ticket during the registration.

WORKSHOP 4

OUTLOOK FOR THE FUTURE

- 15.00 – 16.30 Introduction by the Chairs
Ms Munevver DEMIRBAS OZEN, Representative of Turkey for the European Landscape Convention
Ms Martina PÁSKOVÁ, Representative of the Czech Republic for the European Landscape Convention

Opening lecture

- The cultural significance of landscape
Mr Eduardo MARTÍNEZ DE PISÓN, Professor at the Autonomous University of Madrid, Director of the Landscape Institute, Duques de Soria Foundation

Presentations

- The notion of scale and landscape: the “fractal landscape”?
Mr Giuseppe LAS CASAS, Professor of Town Planning at the Faculty of Engineering, Università degli Studi della Basilicata, Italy
- Landscape and major areas of co-operation
Mr Elias BERIATOS, President of the Greek Planners Association, Vice-President of the International Society of City and Regional Planners (ISoCaRP)
- Landscapes of the future
Mr Hagen EYINK, Head of the Division responsible for Policies which have a Spatial Impact, Ministry of Transport, Construction and Housing, Germany
Ms Bettina MATZDORF, Leibniz-Centre for Agricultural Landscape Research (ZALF), Institute of Socioeconomics, Germany
- Towards landscape routes
Mr Gerhard ERMISCHER and **Mr Harald ROSMANITZ**, Directors of Pathways to Cultural Landscapes
- The metaphor of the hypertext and the perception of contemporary landscapes
Miss Linda MAVIAN, Responsible of the Office for the protection of the historical and cultural identities, Venezia Region, Italy
Discussion

16.30 – 17.00 Break

17.00 – 17.45 Round table on landscape quality objectives in Europe and in the world
President: **Mr Philippe POULLAOUEC-GONIDEC**, UNESCO Chair in Landscape and Environmental Design

Mr Ricardo PRIORE, First Director of the European Network of local and regional authorities for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention (ENELC), **Ms Sirine ADELJELIL**, Faculty of Law, Tunisia, **Mr David BELGUE**, President, Council of landscape of Quebec, **Mr Brian FURZE**, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, Australia, **Mr Niek HAZENDONK**, Ministry of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality, The Netherlands, **Ms Maria Eugenia PÉREZ CARDENAS**, Association of Landscape Professionals - Achippa, Chile.

Discussion and workshop summary
Moderator: **Mr Paul WALSH**, Chair of ICOMOS, United Kingdom

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17.45 – 18.15 *General conclusions*
Mr Florencio ZOIDO, Professor at the University of Sevilla, Council of Europe expert

Closing statements

Ms Margarita ORTEGA, Representative of Spain for the European Landscape Convention

Ms Maguelonne DEJEANT-PONS, Head of the Spatial Planning and Landscape Division, DG IV, Council of Europe

Ms Cristina HERTIA, Representative of Romania for the European Landscape Convention

18.15

Closing

Mr Oriol NEL·LO, Secretary of Spatial Planning of the Department of Territorial Policy and Public Works, *Generalitat* of Catalonia

19.00 – 20.30

Walking tour of Girona. Meeting point at the exit of the *Auditori – Palau de Congressos*. The visit will end in the Museum of History of the City of Girona, where the reception and official inauguration of the exhibition “*Pais de paisatges*” (“Lands of Landscapes”) will take place.

20.30

Official reception. Inauguration of the exhibition “*Pais de paisatges*” (“Lands of Landscapes”) at the Museum of History of the City of Girona, on the new policies and management instruments of landscape planning of Catalonia, with the presence of **Mr Oriol NEL·LO**, Secretary of Spatial Planning of the Department of Territorial Policy and Public Works, *Generalitat* of Catalonia and of **Ms Anna PAGANS**, Mayor of Girona.

21.30

“Music and art for the land stewardship”. Inauguration of the second week of the land stewardship, in front of the Cathedral of Girona, organised by the Network of land stewardship.

SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2006

8.45 – 20.30

Optional programme

Excursion of the volcanic area of Olot and the medieval towns of Garrotxa (in the Pre-Pyrenees of Catalonia), with a special emphasis on landscapes.

Places of entrance and departure: parking of La Copa, in front of the Tourism Office (C/ Berenguer Carnicer, 3).

The people who would like to go directly from Olot to Barcelona can get a regular busline with TEISA Company.

Timetable of Saturday afternoon:

-Olot-Barcelona (via Amer): 15.30 (arrival at 17.45).

-Olot-Barcelona (via Banyoles): 16.30 (arrival at 18.35).

RELATED PUBLIC EVENTS

The Workshops coincide with two exhibitions on the work of the Catalan architect, Rafael Masó, a contemporary of Gaudí, and one of the finest exponents of the artistic movement known in Catalan as *Noucentisme*. Participants will have an opportunity to visit the following:

- “Rafael Masó, architect”
- “Ceramics in the architecture of Rafael Masó”

Other activities:

- “*Pais de paisatges*” (“Lands of Landscapes”), exhibition at the Museum of History of the City of Girona on the new policies and management instruments of landscape planning of Catalonia. Inauguration: Friday 29 September at 20.30, after the guided City Tour.
- “Nurserystock Trade Fair”. Show with more than 100 exhibitors that will take place on 28, 29 y 30 in the Fair of Girona, in front of the *Auditori*.