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## Preface 2

The International Scientific Committee on Earthen Architectural Heritage is a Committee from ICOMOS with 140 experts and associate members, from 41 countries. ISCEAH contributes to the development of better practice and methods for the protection and conservation of the world's earthen architectural, archaeological and cultural landscape heritage.

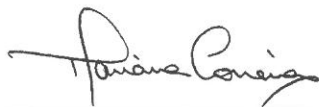
The objectives of the scientific program of ISCEAH are focused on: (1) Conserving and studying the standing, and in use, architectural heritage; (2) Conserving and studying the earthen archaeological environment; (3) Understanding the historic/ traditional techniques of earthen structures, including its impact on new earthen construction; (4) Researching the contribution of earthen architectural heritage to cultural landscapes and its relation to the intangible heritage and living traditions; and (5) Researching ancient/ historic a-seismic techniques, in addition to current research, to inform retrofitting of existing structures and appropriate new construction.

At present, ISCEAH is headed by Mariana Correia (Portugal) as President; Maddalena Achenza (Italy) as Vice-President; Pamela Jerome (USA) as Secretary-General; Shao Yong (China) as Treasurer; Ione Stiegler (USA), as In Use Chair; Jorge Aching (Peru), as Archaeology Chair; Bakonirina Rakotomamonjy (Madagascar), as Technology Chair; Ishanlosen Odiaua (Nigeria), as Landscape Chair; and Claudia Cancino (Peru/USA), as Seismic Chair. The International Committee has been a platform of dialogue and knowledge exchange between professionals and academics from the 5 continents.

For almost 50 years, earthen architecture experts have gathered on different continents. The first symposium in 1972 in Iran, grew from a group of less than two-dozen people to an International Conference with 750 people attending TERRA 2016, in Lyon, France. In the near future, TERRA 2021 will take place in Santa Fe, USA, and TERRA 2024 in Cuenca, Ecuador, and more than a thousand experts will be expected to attend the events that became now a World Congress, under the aegis of ISCEAH. The Committee now contributes for World Heritage assessments regarding desk-reviews, technical evaluation missions and reactive monitoring missions to World Heritage earthen properties, and addresses assessments for the World Monument Fund regarding cultural nominations.

The organization of the ICOMOS CIAV-ISCEAH 2019, Joint Annual Meeting and International Conference "Vernacular & Earthen Architecture towards Local Development" reveals the commitment of ICOMOS-ISCEAH and ICOMOS-CIAV, with ICOMOS-China, to work together with WHITRAP and Tongji University, to protect cultural heritage and enhance best practices in the conservation of vernacular and earthen sites, and in particular, the World Heritage city of Pingyao. The successful collaboration of international and national institutions organizing CIAV-ISCEAH 2019 was just possible due to the commitment of professionals from ICOMOS-China and in particular of Prof. Shao Yong and her team. Thank you to all.

The International Scientific Committee of Earthen Architecture Heritage (ICOMOS-ISCEAH) joins efforts with other institutions to continue supporting capacity-building initiatives for and with communities; in Pingyao and around the world.



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