

ZAMOŚĆ DOCUMENT

Zamość, 23 November, 2016

FOLLOWING the passing of the Québec Declaration at the First International Symposium of the World Heritage Cities, held in Québec in 1991, which urged the development of the network of World Heritage Cities so that it may promote the implementation of World Heritage Agreement, the co-operation and exchange of information among historical cities,

FOLLOWING the passing of the resolutions of the Fez Charter in 1993 by the founding general assembly, which resolutions enforced the continuity of communications among World Heritage Cities and with organizations having similar aims to those of OWHC,

FOLLOWING the Third International Symposium of World Heritage Cities held in 1995 in Bergen, where several delegations were pressing for a frequent holding of regular meetings,

FOLLOWING the Budapest conference in 1996, when it became clear that the problems are identical, or very similar in care for and development of World Heritage in the Central and Eastern European Region,

FOLLOWING the general assembly of the Organization of World Heritage Cities held in Évora in 1997, where the special significance of regional activities and organizational set-up was stressed,

The 10th Conference of the Member Cities of the Central and Eastern European Region of World Heritage Cities in Zamosc state that regional activities are, and the Regional Secretariat is functioning in the spirit of the First Budapest Document of 1996, of the Second Budapest Document of 1998, of the Third Budapest Document of 2000, of the Fourth Budapest Document of 2002, of the Budapest-Banská Štiavnica Document of 2004, of the Budapest-Kutná Hora Document of 2006, of the Fifth Budapest Document of 2008, of the Krakow Document of 2010, of the Banská Štiavnica Document of 2012 and of the Kutná Hora Document of 2014.

Participants of 11th Conference state that:

- the aims worded by the 11th Conference in Zamość are correct, realistic and enduring,
- keeping of contacts has been spectacularly developing among the member cities of the Central and Eastern European Region
- they take on to belong to the Central and Eastern European Region of the OWHC willingly and with consciousness.



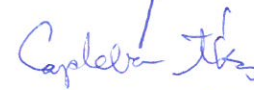
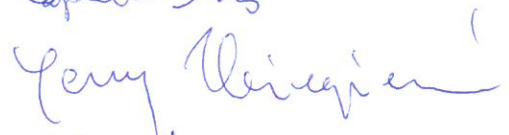

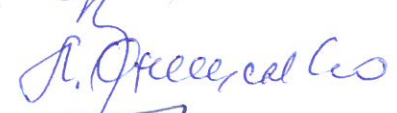
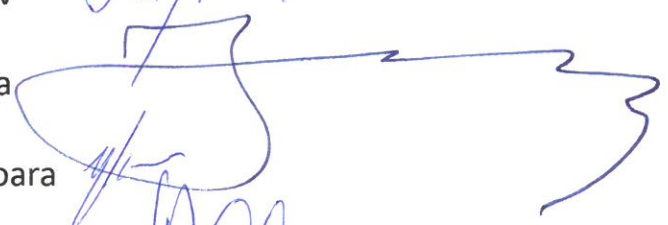


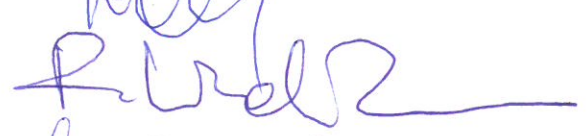

The participants of the 11th Conference agree on that

- beside implementing the general objectives of the OWHC the member cities of the Region continue coordinating their activities for the development of the effectiveness,
- the geographical, historical and cultural conditions of the member cities of the Region enable them to continue their work to preserve and to promote the World Heritage and
- to set it into the process of sustainable development in the spirit of the specific medium- and long-term regional objectives in accordance with these conditions,
- the member cities of the Region attach great importance to the work done among the youth and to promotion of the built relics of the World Heritage as the longest lasting marks of history.
- therefore, considering the topics discussed in 2016 important and timely also in the future, the member cities state the following:

Historic cities were built by their citizens for their population. The generations living today must appreciate and preserve the values their ancestors created. At the same time historic cities must meet the demands of people living in them and it needs the harmonization of heritage preservation and city development. To achieve this goal municipalities must promote awareness raising among the city dwellers and involvement of the population in heritage protection.

- creating heritage interpretation centres with programs for children and for adults to attract the interest for heritage
- making publications with information about heritage and its management
- opening discussions with the public
- using the media to educate people in heritage issues
- letting people give their opinion on city development plans to fit city planning to the demands of the population
- cooperating with civil associations dealing with cultural heritage and supporting them to make this field interesting for city dwellers
- realizing youth projects involving member cities of the region.

Member cities of the Central and Eastern European Region of the OWHC cooperate in the field of local communication and awareness raising to utilize one another's experiences.

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