## ICOMOS Central and Eastern European Initiative for Cooperation

Presidents and representatives of the Central and Eastern European ICOMOS National Committees gathered in December 2013 in Warsaw and January 2014 in Tbilisi and agreed on the regional cooperation framework in cultural heritage field.

The region has a common historic background and common problems resulting from transition from the Soviet system to the market economy and democracy. There is a common experience to share, especially in the cultural heritage preservation domain. We see the necessity and challenges for regional cooperation.

The goal of our cooperation is to exchange knowledge and best practices, to organize the training programmes at the regional scale to reach higher level of professional activities.

The main areas of the activities will be improvement of heritage management; to enhance education of heritage and training for relevant institutions and stakeholders, paying special attention to the world heritage issues.

All partners involved declared to support and develop the initiative in terms of activities, content and financial matters. The focal point of this initiative is ICOMOS Georgia.

The initiative is open to everyone in the region and outside, who has the intention to support and gain from the initiative.

## Join us!

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## **Action Plan**

Framework of activities:

Cooperation on the following topics:

- 1. Exchange of experience and best practice in the system of Heritage Protection and in teaching heritage
- 2. Training
- 3. World Heritage Issues

Action Plan for 2014-2015:

Project/Action	Institutions/Countries	Time-	Contact Person
	involved	frame	
Pilot Project: Training for heritage professionals / site managers on management and tentative list preparation	Poland, Georgia	2014	Magda Nowakowska (Polish Embassy Tbilisi) Nato Tsintsabadze, ICOMOS Georgia, Marine Mizandari, Ministry of Culture
Work on harmonization of study courses in the field of restoration, urban rehabilitation and heritage protection through comparison, revision, and analysis	National Aviation University (Kyiv), Lviv Politechnika, Yerevan State University of Architecture and Construction, Lublin University Ukraine, Armenia, Poland	2014-2015	Emma Harutunyan, Olena Oliynyk, Boguslaw Szmygin
Events related to International Day of Monuments and Sites: e.g. exchange of exhibitions between all participant countries	Armenia, Estonia, Ukraine	2014	Hasmik Azizyan, Riin Alatalu, Mykola Yakovyna
Three months training course on "Urban Preservation	For all countries	2014	Lublin University: Katarzyna Choros – <u>k.choros@pollub.pl</u>

and Renewal" in Lublin for 8 students from the region			
Training courses/Workshops involving National Union of Architects of Ukraine, ICOMOS representatives from Central and Eastern Europe	Possibly all countries of the region	?	Olena Oliynyk
Meeting of partners in Riga: Continue discussion on the concept of serial nomination of Social Realism Architecture.	All respective countries of the region	Riga conference in May 2014	ICOMOS Latvia Katrina Kukaine katrina.kukaine@mantojums.lv
Training course in site management	For all countries of the region	2015	ICOMOS Estonia
Study and workshop on preparation of the tentative list for Georgia	Not yet defined	2015	ICOMOS Georgia

Future contacts to be made: Belarus by Poland, Moldova by Ukraine Lithuania contacted by Latvia+ Estonia