



Call for Volunteers

ICOMOS CIAV International Conference 2016

Conservation and Rehabilitation of Vernacular Heritage: The Cultural Landscape of Wendland circular villages.

September 28 - October 2, 2016, Lübeln, Germany

The ICOMOS CIAV International Conference 2016, on the topic of 'Conservation and Rehabilitation of Vernacular Heritage', aims to draw on the inspiration of the German circular villages of the Wendland area which form an exceptional cultural landscape of circular villages based on late medieval settlement structures and vernacular architecture from predominantly the 18th and 19th centuries. The conference will discuss contemporary challenges in the conservation integrity and authenticity of vernacular heritage in Central Europe, while considering the need for and challenges of future demographic and infrastructure developments. Furthermore, this will also be the venue of the ICOMOS CIAV Annual Meeting which brings together numerous experts from this field.

What do we offer?

Volunteering for us will offer you the opportunity to meet and network with experts from the vernacular architecture field and other ICOMOS members. In addition, you will gain experience in the field of event management and the logistics of an international conference. You will be welcome to attend the conference, when possible, and social events as well as the scheduled excursion which will allow you to witness the local historical cultural landscape and vernacular architecture from the comfort of a horse-drawn carriage. To compensate your dedicated work, free fully equipped accommodation, lunch, dinner, and train fares will be provided.

What do we need help with?

Volunteers may be asked to assist with the following:

- Registration Desk
- Shuttle Service
- Information Support and Linguistic Assistance
- Social Media
- Note-Taking during Presentations and Panel Discussion
- Photography
- IT-Facilitation
- General Administration and Conference Room Facilitation

Should there be any particular responsibility that you have interest or experience in, please notify us below and we will do our best to accommodate your request.



What do we expect?

- Excellent English level is mandatory, a good German level is highly valued, Spanish and/or French would also be an asset.
- Previous experience in event-management (preferably conferences).
- A valid drivers license (usable in the EU) and driving experience would be an asset.
- Hospitable, organised and reliable behaviour, as well as the willingness to take on various tasks.

When are you available?

The entire conference period (plus preparation) lasts **6 days**, from the **27th September – 2nd October 2016**.

If you cannot be there for the entire period, please mention it in the 'Additional Information' section below.

Tell us why you would like to volunteer for our conference?

Additional Information you would like to add:

Please send this completed form along with your CV to [contact\[at\]ciav-wendland.de](mailto:contact[at]ciav-wendland.de) by the **9th of September 2016**.