

# ICOMOS (International Council on Monuments and Sites)

ICOMOS - the International Council on Monuments and Sites - was founded in Warsaw in 1965. The German National Committee of ICOMOS was founded in Mainz in the same year.

ICOMOS is the international non-governmental organisation that works worldwide for the protection and conservation of monuments, sites and cultural landscapes and the preservation of historical cultural heritage. ICOMOS advises and supports UNESCO in the implementation of the 1972 World Heritage Convention. National Committees in more than 120 countries, supported by more than 25 International Scientific Committees, deal with the most important issues relating to the conservation and protection of our heritage.



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## Tasks and Aims

The German National Committee of ICOMOS supports the aims of ICOMOS to strengthen the protection and conservation of monuments and historic buildings, science and research as well as art and culture.

### The German National Committee of ICOMOS

- » promotes research, conservation and protection as well as restoration and enhancement of monuments, heritage sites and cultural landscapes
- » promotes cross-border cooperation with ICOMOS National Committees and Scientific Committees and supports the work of ICOMOS International
- » advises ICOMOS International on World Heritage matters
- » carries out tasks of preventive World Heritage monitoring in Germany
- » advises and networks authorities, institutions and partners in heritage conservation
- » initiates, organises and publishes the results of scientific conferences and international colloquia on heritage protection and conservation.



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### More than 500 members

- » volunteer for architectural heritage
- » develop strategies to preserve monuments for our future generations
- » network on heritage issues
- » are committed to the training and further education of young professionals in the field of cultural heritage conservation



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## ICOMOS in Practice

### Working groups

ICOMOS Germany sets up working groups on current and relevant topics in heritage conservation. This results in

- » interdisciplinary networking of members
- » the pooling of expertise
- » the consideration of different perspectives

### Organising events

- » ICOMOS Germany organises conferences, workshops and student competitions

### Publications

- » ICOMOS Germany is the editor or co-editor of several publication series



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