EMF Workshop: Islands and Coastal Heritage Sardinia, 16-18 October 2009

The Workshop will be held in Nuoro, a city of about 40,000 inhabitants. It has been been co-ordinated by EMF Chairman, Stephen Harrison and organised by Dr Cristiana Collu (MAN Director) and Dr Elena Moreddu, with the participation of the Faculty of Architecture of Alghero (University of Sassari).

The workshop is divided into four themes:

- 1 Island and Coastal Heritage a vital part of European identity
- 2 Cultural Tourism for Islands and Coastal Areas museum networking and co-operation
- 3 The Role of the Museum in Balancing Heritage and Industry in the local society
- 4 Identity on a Plate the role of regional food in developing the regional identity

INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP

This meeting will be interactive, with participants learning from each other's contributions as much as from the invited speakers. Formal lectures are only part of the programme, and collaborative team discussions and feedback will be a major aspect of the workshop.

Each of the main themes will be introduced by keynote speakers from the north and south of Europe, followed by detailed consideration in groups, and a final full session reporting back from the group work.

We will discuss and examine issues such as:

- the benefits of co-operation and strategic methods for island and coastal museums
- the social responsibility of island and coastal museums towards their various communities
- the role of museums in relation to the tourist industry and to the market for 'cultural tourism'
- the viability and desirability of establishing network for the exchange of ideas, culture and best professional practice.

We think this workshop will be stimulatingand will provide some excellent evidence on which community strategies for museums anywhere can be influenced.

APPLICATIONS

Places are limited to 30, and the working language is English. Applications should be sent as soon as possible to Ann Nicholls, EMF Administrator, mail@europeanmuseumforum.eu. There is no registration fee, and accommodation will be available at a reasonable rate.

As well as including your name, institution, address and contact details, please send half a page (about 100 words) saying why you want to attend the workshop and why you think that your experience would be an asset to the workshop.

PROGRAMME

Friday 16 October

12.00 -17.00	Meeting of local delegates with visiting delegates. Including lunch and a guided walk of area	
18.00	Registration and welcome reception at Museum Centre	
19.00	Welcome by local organisers and VIPs	
19.15	Introduction to Workshop by Stephen Harrison, EMF Chairman	
20.00	Dinner	
Saturday 17 October		
08.45	Transport to venue, if necessary	
09.15	THEME 1: Island and Coastal Heritage - a vital part of European identity	
09.15 - 10.00	Keynote speaker Professor David Lowenthal Professor Emeritus, Department of Geography, University College, London	
10.15 – 10.45	Dr Cristiana Collu, Director of MAN Museum Cultural heritage and museum identity: Building Sardinian sustainable island-ness	
11.00	Coffee break and first group discussion session (4 groups)	
12.00	Groups report back to plenary (15-minute report by chosen rapporteur from each group)	
13.00	Lunch	
	THEME 2: Cultural Tourism for Islands and Coastal Areas – museum networking and cooperation	
15.00 – 15.30	Rögnvaldur Guðmundsson, Director of Tourism Research & Consulting, Iceland and Chairman, Iceland Saga Trail Association The Icelandic Saga Trail Association initiative	
15.45 – 16. 15	Dr Andrea Corsale, Research Assistant, Geography of Tourism, University of Cagliari and CRENOS Networking and co-operation between coastal and island museums – the Sardinian perspective	
16.30 - 1700	Kristin Prestvold, Archaeologist, Sør-Trøndelag County Council, former Director of Environment, Governor of Svalbard Norwegian Cultural Tourism and the Fragile Coastal Heritage	
17.15	Coffee break and second group discussion session	
18.00 – 19.00	Groups report back to plenary (15-minute report by chosen rapporteur from each group)	
19.30	Drinks and dinner. Return to hotels at 22.30.	

Sunday 18 October

08.45	Transport to venue, if necessary
09.15	THEME 3: The Role of the Museum in Balancing Heritage and Industry in the local society
09.15 – 09.45	Dr Gianni Filindeu, Faculty of Architecture, Alghero Creativity and improvisation as a mindset for co-operation between museums and local communities
10.00 - 1030	Mrs Anna Vogli, Head of Public Relations S&B Industrial Minerals S.A. Developing Museums Presenting Local Industry in Milos and other parts of Greece
10.45 – 11.15	Dr Francesco Spanedda, Faculty of Architecture, Alghero Stock and flow. Some ideas about Heritage, Tourism and Museums in former industrial sites
11.30	Coffee break and third group discussion session
12.30	Groups report back to plenary (15-minute report by chosen rapporteur from each group)
13.30	Lunch
15.30	THEME 4: Identity on a Plate – the role of regional food in developing the regional identity
15.30 – 16.00	Dr Alessandra Guigoni, University of Cagliari, University of Genova Satisfying Cultural Appetites ad Eating Identities in a Mediterranean Island: Sardinia
16.00 – 16.30	Rögnvaldur Guðmundsson, Director of Tourism Research & Consulting, Iceland and Chairman, Iceland Saga Trail Association Marketing the Regional Food of Iceland
16.30 – 17.00	Dr Anne Alessandri, Director of FRAC (Fonds Régionaux d'Art contemporain), Corsica Culture, insularity: museum and the boundaries of an identitarian quest
17.00	Coffee break and fourth group discussion session
18.00	Groups report back to plenary (15-minute report by chosen rapporteur from each group)
19.00	Summary and conclusions by Conference Chair
19.15	End of Conference
	Coach back to hotels
20.00	Dinner at local museum or historic venue
23.00	Coach back to hotel

Monday 19 October Departure of delegates.