











PREVENTING FIRES, SAVING LIVES, SAFEGUARDING HERITAGE

An International Symposium on Mitigating Fire Risk

17 and 18 October 2022



















National Museum, Brazil. Notre Dame, Paris. Shuri Castle, Japan. Table Mountain, South Africa...

Invaluable heritage resources get destroyed in catastrophic fires every year. Over 300 heritage sites were severely damaged in 2020 alone. In most cases, fires are highly preventable. In order to develop tailored solutions, it is important to better understand the nature of fire risk for heritage and work with relevant stakeholders.

PREVENT – an International Symposium on Mitigating Fire Risk at Heritage Places will showcase outcomes of cross-disciplinary risk assessments and fire risk mitigation strategies introduced at 8 heritage sites in **Brazil, Canada, Chile,**Croatia, Ireland, Israel, Nigeria and Palestine 1

Organizers and Partners

- ICCROM
- Ministry of Culture and Media, Republic of Croatia
- City of Trogir
- Croatian Fire Association
- Public Fire Brigade of the City of Trogir
- Italian National Fire Corps (Corpo Nazionale dei Vigili del Fuoco CNVVF)
- Swedish National Heritage Board
- Estonian Rescue Board

Generously hosted by the Ministry of Culture and Media, the Republic of Croatia and the City of Trogir, the PREVENT Symposium will provide an opportunity for bringing together insights and perspectives from diverse fields to better understand the conditions of vulnerabilities and exposures that create fire risk for heritage in different regions. Keynotes by guest speakers will explain how fire risk to heritage is multiplying due to the impacts of climate variability and change.

The symposium will make a case for fostering greater interagency cooperation between heritage professionals, fire risk prevention specialists, cultural first aiders, firefighters and emergency response agencies.

¹ The symposium forms part of the post-training follow up of the first PREVENT workshop, organized in November 2021.

















Why Participate?



Learn about fire risk mitigation through success stories from 8 countries. This symposium foresees examples from the museum in Brazil and Canada, Palace in Nigeria to the Church of Nativity in Palestine, as well as the Newbridge House and the Banff Park in Ireland, to the city of Trogir in Croatia.



Multi-disciplinary experts representing cultural heritage professionals, fire-risk specialists and national defence from Croatia, Estonia, Italy, Sweden, etc. will share their evidence-based examples on fire-risk mitigation, as well as highlight the importance of interdisciplinarity.



Directly interact with experts drawn from the field of fire risk management, cultural heritage and civil protection. Interactive sessions will allow all attendees to join the growing network of cultural first aiders around the world.

A detailed programme of the Symposium and a full list of speakers will be circulated in the coming days.

How to Register

The Symposium will be conducted in a blended format: In-person in Trogir, Croatia, and online via Zoom. To join the Symposium online, please register in advance using the following link. All sessions will be live streamed via Zoom. https://bit.ly/3BzR5gF

After registering, you will automatically receive a confirmation email containing further information.

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