

International Conferences Emergency Preparedness and Response

Bosnia and Herzegovina

- INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS, 2001

Title: Catastrophes and Catastrophe Management in Museums

From: 17 April 2001 **To:** 21 April 2001

Place: Zemaljski Muzej and Rooms of Dom Armije

City: Sarajevo

www: www.sarajevo-congress2001.org

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Description: Both museums have suffered from war and have experience in protecting and restoring their infrastructure and collections. This congress was organised in different general thematic sessions as well as general sessions which focused on the earth and science collection, biological collection, historical collections and art collection.

France

- INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS, 2000

Title: Disasters Prevention in Storage Areas

From: 6 November 2000 **To:** 10 November 2000

City: Draguignan

www: <http://www.cav-recherches.org>

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Description: This event was focused on emergency plans, earthquakes, wind effects, flood disasters, acts of war and fire prevention, in addition to international case studies presentations.

Germany

- CONFERENCE, 2003

Title: Preparing for the Worst, Planning for the Best: Protecting our Cultural Heritage from Disaster

From: 30 July 2003 **To:** 1 August 2003

Place: Akademie der Wissenschaften

City: Berlin

www: <http://www.kb.nl/iflapreconf/>

<http://www.ifla.org/VII/s19/sconsv.htm>

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Description: The programme is designed to inform and help library and archive administrators effectively prepare for, react and respond to, and recover from disasters, both natural and man-made. It focused on national level policy planning and local initiatives, presenting the International Committee of the Blue Shield, sharing experience of disaster plan action (theory and practice), understanding the human factor in disaster response, critical lessons (flood, fire, hurricane, etc.), priorities for salvaging collections, disaster management developments and models for risk assessment, plus new recovery techniques and technologies.

India

- INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS, 2004

Title: Natural Disasters Mitigation

From: 19 February 2004 **To:** 21 February 2004

Place: The Institution of Engineers

City: New Delhi

www: <http://www.wfeo-cee.org/ndm.htm#02>

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Description: The object of the World Congress is to provide a multidisciplinary forum for engineers, architects, planners, technocrats, scientists, disaster managers, international and voluntary agencies and others working in the field of natural disaster mitigation and management, to meet and share ideas, achievements and experiences. Time was scheduled for authors to present their work through poster sessions and interaction with delegates of eminence in their chosen specialized fields.

- SECOND WORLD CONFERENCE, 2003

Title: Disaster Management — Case Histories of Disasters

From: 14 November 2003 **To:** 16 November 2003

Place: Birla Institute of Technology and Sciences

City: Pilani

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Description: The focus of the conference was on earthquakes, floods, cyclones, and drought. Conference organisers called for a wide variety of case histories of disaster management from around the world. Case studies and histories were presented with the goal of learning from the experience of others and building a common multidisciplinary network of best practices and policies.

- WORLD CONFERENCE, 2003

Title: Disaster Management, Infrastructure, and Control Systems (DMIC)

From: 29 October 2003 **To:** 31 October 2003

Place: Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University

City: Hyderabad

www: <http://www.schanisj.com>

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Description: The conference focused on the mitigation of disasters through control systems and infrastructure development. It aimed at a wide, interdisciplinary audience with the goal of providing a common platform to discuss and plan disaster prevention measures, compare strategies and experiences from around the world, and broadly disseminate information. Conference themes included disasters that are geological, medical, terrorist, and water and climate-related.

Italy

- CONFERENCE, 2002

Title: Preservation Strategies
From: 25 June 2002 **To:** 29 June 2002
Place: Centro Culturale Grand Hotel Dobbiaco
City: Dobbiaco/Toblach (Bolzano Province)
www: [http:// www.archives.dobbiaco2002.it](http://www.archives.dobbiaco2002.it)
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Description: Archival and library institutions have made great efforts to increase awareness of the importance of preservation of documents. A broad survey showed, however, that many public and private institutes do not yet have staff trained in preservation. Preservation covers many activities, from storage to digitisation. Buildings should be well equipped, and the advantages of the new media should be explored. The conference dealt with the many aspects of preservation. The plenary sessions focused on risk assessment, choices for preservation of originals, scientific research and preservation, substitutes for access, premises and the restoration of historical buildings, plus parallel sessions on technical and scientific solutions, experience in book and document restoration, migration information, training, networks and access projects.

Morocco

- INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS, 2004

Title: New Technologies and the Improvement of Greatest Risk Management

From: 15 March 2004 **To:** 17 March 2004

City: Kénitra

www: [www: www.cnr.ac.ma/lag/colloque2004.doc](http://www.cnr.ac.ma/lag/colloque2004.doc)

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Description: The main purposes of this seminar are: to communicate and exchange point of views in risk prevention through specialist analysis and to enforce the partnerships between university, research centres and other players linked to this sector. The expected results are the formulation of specific proposals for technical and scientific development and the identification of areas where scientific efforts should be focused.

Serbia and Montenegro

- INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, 2004

Title: Preventive Activities in Preservation of Cultural Heritage in the Areas Affected by Ethnic Tensions and Armed Conflict

From: 10 May 2004 **To:** 11 May 2004

Place: Institute for the Protection of Cultural Monuments of the Republic of Serbia

City: Belgrade

www: http://www.international.icomos.org/centre_documentation/icomos_activities.htm

Organiser: ICOMOS Serbia and Montenegro

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Description: Within the framework of the regional conference on preventive activities viewing the salvage of cultural heritage in regions where armed conflicts and ethnic tensions are acting, the international conference adopted a consensus on the Belgrade Declaration and related articles.

Switzerland

- INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, 2002

Title: Protection of Cultural Property 2002

From: 23 September 2002 **To:** 25 September 2002

Place: Federal Office for Civil Protection

City: Bern

www: <http://www.kulturgueterschutz.ch/english/media.htm>
<http://www.zivilschutz.ch>

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Description: The aim is to strengthen cooperation at a national level, in particular with relevant offices in the specialized Swiss offices such as DFA and DHA. In many countries, the protection of cultural property is only in the military sphere. Experience from many conferences has shown that Switzerland could offer an ideal platform to discuss civilian efforts.

Trinidad and Tobago

- PRECONFERENCE, 2004

Title: Mitigating the Consequences of Natural Disasters for Caribbean Libraries and Archives

From: 21 May 2004 **To:** 22 May 2004

Place: National Library Building

City: Port of Spain

www: <http://www.ifla.org/VI/4/conf/20-21may04.htm>

Organiser: National Library Building

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Description: The purpose of the preconference is to discuss the risks of hurricanes and other natural disasters, how to deal with them and take adequate preventive measures in order to mitigate their consequences. It was expected that attendants weave a network of experts and professionals capable of helping each other in the event of a disaster. Around a hundred participants representing various cultural institutions and actors from civil society were expected from around the Caribbean.

Turkey

- CONFERENCE, 2004

Title: International Destination Risk Management

From: 7 June 2004 **To:** 8 June 2004

Place: Bogaziçi Üniversitesi

City: Istanbul

www: <http://www.ttyd.org.tr/amta/RMCP.doc>

Organiser: Bogaziçi University and The George Washington University

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Description: The two objectives of the conference are (1) to address the formulation of risk management policy as it relates to destination management and (2) to address operational aspects of crisis and risk management by directing information towards members of the supervisory and mid-managerial level of the services industries. Participants in the conference and related workshops will include the private sector of hospitality and travel investors, executive managers, public destination administrators of the city of Istanbul and tourism educators across the country.

United Kingdom

- CONFERENCE, 2002

Title: Holocene Environmental Catastrophes and Recovery

From: 2 September 2002 **To:** 7 September 2002

Place: Brunel University

City: London

www: <http://www.brunel.ac.uk/depts/geo/Catastrophes/>

Organiser: Brunel University

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Description: The conference focused its themes on geological catastrophes and their impact on society: earthquakes, tsunami, fires and volcano eruptions, environmental causes of civilisation collapse, biological impacts on society (extinction, epidemic, plague, haemorrhage, etc.) and climatological impacts on society (historical droughts). An informal pre-conference was held in the Scottish Highlands from August 26 to 31, 2002.

United States (the)

- SEMINAR, 2004

Title: Disaster Preparedness

Date: 15 March 2004 **To:** 16 March 2004

Place: The National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum

City: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

www: <http://www.okmuseums.org>

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Description: The seminar was divided into two parts, the first one was about the bare bones of disaster planning and the second was about post-disaster response. Focused topics included situation evaluation, damage assessment, media destruction, health and safety issues, and salvage techniques.

- CONFERENCE, 2002

Title: Lessons Learned in Emergencies: Not your Ordinary Disaster Conference

Date: 21 March 2002

Place: National Archives at College Park

www: <http://palimpsest.stanford.edu/byform/maillinglists/padg/2001/11/msg00016.html>

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Description: The conference brought together archivists, librarians and conservators to discuss practical aspects of disaster prevention and mitigation. The conference focused on several topics such as practical, experience-based examples of how emergency situations are handled in archives, libraries, and museums to mitigate against disaster and the recovery of non-paper records e.g. artefacts, film, audio and video-tape and electronic media; how to minimise damage to papers, bound volumes, books, tapes, films, etc. during building renovation work; changes in fire suppression technology; what we have learned from fire tests, and how to keep track of hastily removed materials.

Other

- VIRTUAL CONFERENCE, 2004

Title: Disaster Management in Africa

From: 18 April 2004 **To:** 17 May 2004

Place: Internet

www: <http://www.tiems.org>

Organiser: The International Emergency Management Society (TIEMS)

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Description: The overall theme for the conference was about disaster management in Africa it was programmed over four weeks. The first week was on what disaster management means in Africa, the second focused on the possibility of developing disaster management as a profession in Africa, the third saw how to integrate risk reduction activities into development planning, and the last week studied the need for more efficient disaster management in Africa.

- CONFERENCE, 2002

Title: Rebuilding Societies Emerging from Conflict: a Shared Responsibility

From: 9 September 2002 **To:** 11 September 2002

Place: United Nations

City: New York

www: <http://www.armenianreporteronline.com/old/27072002/nykalayjian.htm>

Organiser: United Nations (UN)

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Description: The meeting of the 55th Annual Conference for Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) explored the role of the international community in supporting societies emerging from conflicts.

- CONFERENCE, 2002

Title: Cultural Heritage Research: a Pan-European Challenge

From: 16 May 2002 **To:** 18 May 2002

Place: Krakow University of Technology, Institute of Archaeology, Academy of Fine Arts, Krakow City Hall, Polish Academy of Sciences (Poland)

City: Krakow

www: <http://www.cordis.lu/eesd/src/ev160502.htm>

Organiser: European Commission

Description: The objectives of the conference were to present the findings of projects on cultural heritage from the EC framework programmes, to present national or regional activities with emphasis on mutual opening-up (Member States and Newly Associated States) and on networking with the perspective of the new framework programme, to see how research on cultural heritage can help protect and integrate cultural heritage into a living city (in the context of both EU and candidate countries), to review the research requirements of SMEs and, more generally, to involve a wide range of stakeholders from across Europe.