INTER-ORGANISATIONAL ACTIVITIES

CIPA (International Committee for Architectural Photogrammetry)

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This report summarizes the 1997 activities of the CIPA committee in several aspects, which can be grouped as follows:

Main events of 1997

By far the most important event of 1997 was the biannual symposium of CIPA, which took place between 1-3 October in Goteborg, Sweden. The importance was even greater because the symposium of 1995, which was planned for Indonesia, was cancelled. In the Goteborg symposium there were thirteen technical sessions during which about fifty papers were presented and one session devoted to a round table discussion. There were 95 participants from 22 countries. During the symposium a well-organized technical exhibition and a poster session area were operating complementing efficiently the symposium. All presentations were performed smoothly in a highly organized and in the same time friendly environment giving the opportunity for very fruitful and friendly discussions.

The symposium was supported by well-selected social events and by the beauty of Goteborg.

It was followed by the Outreach Workshop 2 organized by CIPA's Working Group IV. The workshop took place on the weekend of October 4th and 5th, 1996 in Mastrand, a picturesque coastal town, one hour drive form Goteborg. It was attended by 19 participants from 12 countries. The main goals of the workshop were to define: a. FRAMEWORK of New Working Groups,

b. a CIPA-ICCROM 5 year Outreach Plan.

A detailed report has been written by R. Lettelier Secretary General of CIPA. In conjunction with the symposium the Annual CIPA committee meeting took place. During several very long sessions, every matter of CIPA was examined and the conclusions of these discussions are reported here.

Activities of Committee Members

A variety of activities have been reported by CIPA Committee members. From them, the following are selectively mentioned:

a. A. Almagro reported on a workshop in Architectural Photogrammetry which has been given at the University of Valencia and a course in Archeological surveys in Barcelona.

b. J. Badekas reported on the considerable level of activity in Architectural Photogrammetry, an important increase of Architectural Photogrammetry projects in Greece, and a better cooperation with the national committee of ICOMOS.

c. A. Cheli reported the introduction of a new course in terrestrial Photogrammetry, the creation of a heritage-recording unit and the completion by photogrammetry several ecclesiastical maps.

d. J. Jachimski has continued his research in cooperation with A. Almagro on simple digital photogrammetric instruments for historic monument recording.

e. R. Lettelier has been active in the establishment of the the 5-year Outreach plan in cooperation with ICOMOS. He has organized the Outreach workshop 2 in Mastrand, Sweden, given a two day seminar in Jerusalem, attended the Advisory Committee meeting of ICOMOS held between 20-22 November 1997 in Rabat, Marocco and another seminar in Peru. He has also cooperated on work on risk preparedness for Kobe Japan.

f. E. Lundemo has represented CIPA in several meetings in Scandinavia, prepared a report for activities in Architectural Photogrammerty in Scandinavia, and is working on the preparation of a new working group.

g. P. Waldhausl has worked for the preparation of the proceedings of the CIPA session of the 1996 ISPRS Congress in Vienna. He has been also very active in improving international contacts for CIPA, in presenting the "NEW ORIENT", for camera calibrations and the complete documentation of villages.

3. Word Wide Web

CIPA continues to be active in WWW. Until the end of 1996 Andre Sreilein, Zurich has been the Webmaster. From January 1997 Klaus Hanke, Institute of Geodesy of the University of Innsbruck has been the new Webmaster. The official CIPA WordWideWeb Site was updated. With the support of the CIPA committee members and W/G chairs, it consists currently of 21 different pages containing the most important information about CIPA.

4. CIPA Symposium of 1999

For the CIPA symposium of 1999, there was only one official candidature submitted by the Socidade Brasileira de Cartografia Geodesia, Fotogrammetria e Sensoriamento Remoto and ICOMOS/BRASIL. The proposal has been presented by their representatives Prof. Nei Erlig, President of S.B.C.G.F.S.R. and Prof. Camilo Martins Gomes. The proposal was for a CIPA Symposium in Olinda, Brazil in September 1999. The CIPA committee has provided to Brazilian representatives specific "Rules and Conditions for the Organization of CIPA Symposia" and we have received official letter of acceptance. Thus, the next CIPA symposium will take place in Olinda, Brazil in September 1999.

5. Annual CIPA Committee Meetings

After discussion on several proposals received it has been decided that the annual CIPA committee meetings will take place as follows: Granada Spain in 1998, Olinda, Brazil in 1999 and Thailand or Amsterdam in 2000.

6. National Delegates and Correspondents

In reviewing the situation it has been realized that the number of national delegates and correspondents remains limited. It has been decided that a new effort must be initiated and the task has been entrusted to Klaus Hanke.