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The International Council on Monuments and Sites is an association of professionals that currently brings together approximately **9500 members throughout the world**.

ICOMOS works for the **conservation and protection of cultural heritage places**. It is the only global non-government organisation of this kind, which is dedicated to promoting the application of theory, methodology, and scientific techniques to the conservation of the architectural and archaeological heritage. Its work is based on the principles enshrined in the 1964 International Charter on the Conservation and Restoration of Monuments and Sites (the Venice Charter).

ICOMOS is a **network of experts that benefits from the interdisciplinary exchange of its members**, among which are architects, historians, archaeologists, art historians, geographers, anthropologists, engineers and town planners.

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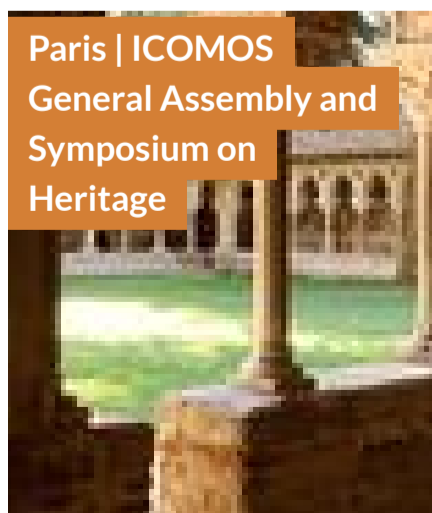
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