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Managing Heritage
in **POST-CONFLICT**
SITUATION in the
islamic world



Introduction

In its new perspective on the conservation and promotion of the cultural heritage of the Islamic world, ICESCO is increasingly attaching paramount importance to supporting its Member States that have experienced security crises. The security situation, has had a lasting impact on the protection of cultural property with the corollary of the inscription of 34 sites from the Islamic world inscribed on the List of World Heritage in Danger. This leads to the increase in the illicit trafficking of cultural property, the abandonment of several historic cities including heritage knowledge and know-how. These are at the heart of the cultural economy, and the cessation of cultural tourism, which is an essential link to the sustainability of these countries in a global context marked by environmental crises and the drastic depletion of fossil resources. 26 of the sites on the World Danger list are in war zones. For an adequate response to this phenomenon, the Islamic World Heritage Centre (CPMI) offers a post-conflict cultural heritage programme to support by politico-military other security crises in the sustainability properties.

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countries affected
conflicts and
order to ensure
of these cultural
properties.





Objectives



Building capacity

to ensure better management of heritage assets in post conflict areas. The efforts will be regionally based (Africa, Arab and Asia);



Support ICESCO

Member States in the development of heritage passports to secure sites in the event of conflict and in the mobilization of funds;



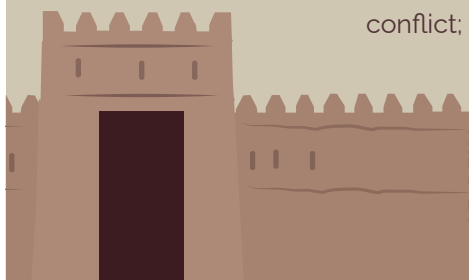
Ensure media

monitoring to draw the attention of decision-makers and civil society to the need to protect sites in the event of conflict;



Encourage activities

related to the cultural and tourism economy to make these regions viable.




Strategy and planned activities

Our approach is to draw more attention to the impact of armed conflicts on cultural, tangible and intangible heritage among the various international institutions, actors and civil society bodies in the Islamic world.

The mobilization of resources, cultural heritage professionals and the media to support this ICESCO initiative. It is a question of creating synergy, in the Islamic world, around the issue through the organization of management training workshops to build capacity to better protect heritage sites in the event of and after the conflict.

The strategy is aimed at reconciling the conservation of heritage sites and the safeguarding of intangible heritage with the socio-economic development of communities. The aim is to empower communities to promote local knowledge, highlight cultural products and revive the cultural and tourist economy in regions formerly affected by conflict.



Activities planned for 2024-2025

Preliminary work

- Identification of members in post-conflict situations;
- Exchanges with technical partners and signing of the Mou;

Implementation of the initiative

Field based training Courses on Post Conflict recovery will be based on regional bases with the initial course taking places in Azerbaijan, MENA region and in Sub Saharan Africa. The overall objective is to conduct at least two capacity building workshops in each region within a biennium. Each course will be for two to three works including the field component.

Main focus of capacity building will be:

- *Impact assessment on heritage assets in post conflict*
- *Development of passport*
- *Risk preparedness*
- *Restoration/stabilisation/ conservation*
- *Promotion of work done at international and regional levels*

The training workshops will ensure that the local universities are part of the proposed programme in order to build continued sustainability of capacity building in the region.

Proposed activity

Activity	Proposed period	Expected results
Identification of post conflict	March-July 2024	Documents and maps
Exchange: member states and partners	March-September 2024	MOU
Workshop and field school Azerbaijan	Mars/Avril 2025	20 professionals and stakeholders trained
Workshop and field school North Africa	2024	20 professionals and stakeholders trained
Workshop and field school Mena region	2025	20 professionals and stakeholders trained
Workshop and field school Azerbaijan	September/October 2025	20 professionals and stakeholders trained
Workshop and field school North Africa	February/March 2025	20 professionals and stakeholders trained
Workshop and field school Mena Region	September 2025	Workshop and field school Mena Region
Develop Passports in 6 countries	2024-2025	Booklets with photos and maps
Contingency/meetings	2024-2025	Annual reports
Fundraising	June to December 2024	Total budget