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Background

ITC is a follow-up of the recommendations adopted at the Special Thematic Session on Risk Management for CH held at UN-WCDR in January 2005 in Kobe, Hyogo, Japan. One of these recommendations advocated the need for **the academic community to develop scientific research, education and training programs incorporating cultural heritage into risk management and disaster recovery**. The importance to build a culture of disaster prevention at World Heritage (WH) properties was reiterated also by the World Heritage Committee at its 30th session (Vilnius, Lithuania, July 2006).

Objectives

Provide **theoretical and practical knowledge on various aspects** of disaster risk management (DRM) of cultural heritage (CH).

1. Integrated risk assessment by analyzing vulnerability to natural and human induced hazards
2. Build integrated system for DRM of CH
3. Formulate DRM plans for CH that correspond to the local/ regional plans and policies
4. Learn practical tools, methodologies and skills
5. Strengthen the international scientific support network

Expectation from a future partner

ITC will be conducted in a hybrid format in 2023, utilizing virtual learning methods and materials. A few weeks of online course focused on the thematic part and then two weeks of onsite course where participants will learn practical-based.

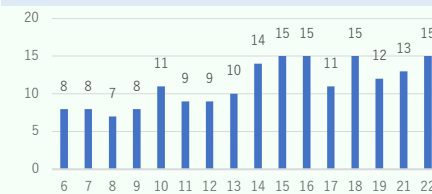
-We expect **a collaborative program within the ITC course** so that participants could learn and share various international case studies.

-We also expect **collaborative workshops/ webinars beyond the ITC course period**.

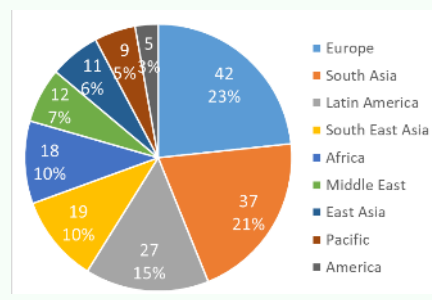
The ITC is Conducted Annually Since 2006



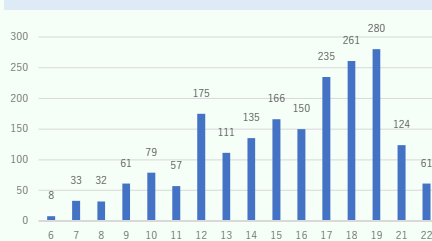
Total Number of Participants:180



Total Participated contries:72



Total number of applications:1,968



Seeds and Needs

ITC is conducted Online in 2021 and 2022 due to COVID-19 Pandemic

- ITC 2021 theme “Disaster Risk Management of Cultural Heritage: Learning from the Japanese Experiences”
- ITC 2022 theme “Traditional knowledge for Disaster Risk Management of Cultural Heritage”

Official Follow-up Activities (short-term) & Collaborative Training Courses

In collaboration with ICCROM, SEAMEO-SPAFA and the local authorities of the sites

- **2013 India**, Workshop at Gujarat Institute of DRM
- **2014 Myanmar**, Workshop at the first WH Site in MM
- **2015 Nepal**, Workshop for the Early Recovery Plan after the Gorkha EQ
- **2016 Nepal**, Workshop for Long-term Recovery from Gorkha EQ
- **2017 Myanmar**, Post-EQ Response in Bagan
- **2018 Myanmar**, The 1st Training Workshop on Post-Disaster Recovery for Living Archeological Urban Complex
- **2021 Online**, Understanding People, Nature, Culture: Heritage Management for Building Resilience of Living Traditional Settlements”
- **2023 Thailand**, Building Resilience for Urban Heritage in Time of Changes

Online Course: Virtual Site Visits



(left) Post-disaster reconstruction in *Minami sanriku, Tohoku* (mid) Detached Evacuation hut (*Mizuage Goya*) and its network within the settlement in *Ichiburi, Ozagawa-cho*. a Traditional Knowledge for Flood Damage Mitigation (right) Making of virtual site visit in *Kiyomizu-Dera, Kyoto*

Online Course: Interactive lectures/ Workshops including national and international case studies



(left) DIG workshop on Kiyomizu Dera area, (right) Traditional community house, open space and its management system utilization in Post-disaster recovery in *Patan, Nepal*



(left) Group work for risk assessment of the urban area, (right) Participants and resource persons of ITC 2022

ITC online is conducted in Collaboration with ICCROM and Supports by UNESCO, ICOM, ICORP, NICH, Agency of Cultural Affair, Kyoto-city, Kyoto prefecture, etc.