

PRESS RELEASE

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COORDINATION OF EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES

Villa Ruspoli Florence ,27-28 June 2013



Group Photo of the participants of the International Seminar “LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES IN EUROPE FROM ELC RECOMMENDATIONS TO LOCAL INITIATIVES 2000-2013” Villa Ruspoli, Florence, 27-28th June 2013.

During the final conclusions of the international Seminar “LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES IN EUROPE: FROM ELC RECOMMENDATIONS TO LOCAL INITIATIVES 2000-2013”, Villa Ruspoli, Florence, 27-28 June, organised by UNISCAPE (the Network of 51 European universities to enhance education and training and the implementation of the European Landscape Convention) in collaboration with the University of Torino, the Polytechnic of Torino and with the support of the Tuscany Region, RECEP-ENELC, CIVILSCAPE and CIST (Inter-university Centre of Territorial Science), the Charter for Establishment of the COORDINATION OF EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES was drafted and signed by the participants.

Experts from different European countries agreed on the importance of the LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES in order to achieve the full implementation of the EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION and drafted a brief text that takes into account the auspices of the COUNCIL OF EUROPE for the establishment of Landscape Observatories and landscape Research Centres through out Europe.

The UNISCAPE representatives of the UNIVERSITY OF TORINO and the POLYTECHNIC OF TORINO have been en charged to manage the organisational aspects in order to establish within the end of the year the COORDINATION OF THE EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES.

FLORENCE CHARTER

on the **COORDINATION OF EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES**

under the auspices of

UNISCAPE – RECEP-ENELC – CIVILSCAPE

The undersigned, on the occasion of the 5th Careggi Seminar on “LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES IN EUROPE: FROM ELC RECOMMENDATIONS TO LOCAL INITIATIVES 2000-2013”, which took place in Florence, at Villa Ruspoli on the 27-28 June 2013,

CONSIDER THAT:

- 1. The EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION is the cultural reference point for all activities to be carried out;*
- 2. the guidelines of the Committee of Ministers of the Member States of the COUNCIL OF EUROPE, of February 2008, expressly provide for (Art. 10) the establishment of LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES, research centres and institutions dedicated to landscape;*
- 3. the knowledge, management, safeguarding and enhancement of landscapes must be realised through concrete and innovative forms of participation by the populations in Europe;*
- 4. LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES (whether institutional or independent) in the various European countries have, for many years, played an active and decisive role in involving and ensuring the participation of the populations and the authorities in landscape issues;*

INTEND

today, Friday 28 June 2013 in Florence at Villa Ruspoli,

TO FORMALLY RECOGNISE

the establishment of the **COORDINATION OF EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES** to actively contribute to the full implementation of the EUROPEAN LANDSCAPE CONVENTION.

The undersigned of the present CHARTER, commit themselves to convening a meeting before the end of 2013 to approve the establishment of the coordination board. The Executive Board of UNISCAPE invites the POLYTECHNIC OF TURIN and the UNIVERSITY OF TURIN to take charge of the following steps of action.

Villa Ruspoli, Florence, Friday 28 June 2013

CARTA DI FIRENZE

del **COORDINAMENTO DEGLI OSSERVATORI DEL PAESAGGIO EUROPEI**

Sotto gli auspici di

UNISCAPE – RECEP-ENELC – CIVILSCAPE

I Sottoscritti, al termine del 5th Seminario di Careggi su “LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES IN EUROPE: FROM ELC RECOMMENDATIONS TO LOCAL INITIATIVES 2000-2013”, tenutosi a Firenze, presso Villa Ruspoli, nei giorni 27 e 28 giugno 2013,

RITENENDO CHE:

1. *la CONVENZIONE EUROPEA DEL PAESAGGIO sia il riferimento culturale della propria azione;*
2. *le linee guida emanate dal Comitato dei Ministri degli Stati membri del CONSIGLIO D'EUROPA, in data 8 febbraio 2008, prevedono espressamente (Art. 10) l'attivazione di OSSERVATORI DEL PAESAGGIO, Centri e Istituti di ricerca sul Paesaggio;*
3. *la conoscenza, gestione, salvaguardia e valorizzazione dei paesaggi deve trovare attuazione attraverso forme concrete ed innovative di partecipazione delle popolazioni europee;*
4. *gli OSSERVATORI DEL PAESAGGIO (istituzionali o libere associazioni) nelle diverse realtà europee sono da anni una presenza attiva e propositiva nel coinvolgimento e partecipazione delle popolazioni e delle Autorità preposte sui temi del paesaggio;*

INTENDONO

oggi, Venerdì 28 giugno 2013 in Firenze presso Villa Ruspoli,

DARE FORMALE AVVIO

alla Costituzione del **COORDINAMENTO DEGLI OSSERVATORI DEL PAESAGGIO EUROPEI** per contribuire fattivamente alla piena attuazione della CONVENZIONE EUROPEA DEL PAESAGGIO.

I sottoscrittori della presente CARTA si danno appuntamento per un successivo incontro, entro l'anno 2013, per sottoscrivere l'Atto costitutivo del Coordinamento europeo. Il Direttivo di UNISCAPE invita il POLITECNICO DI TORINO e l'UNIVERSITÀ DI TORINO a farsi carico della prosecuzione delle attività.

Villa Ruspoli, Firenze, Venerdì 28 June 2013

PHOTO GALLERY



Prof. Carlo Magnani, former Dean of the IUAV of Venice and President of UNISCAPE (European Network of Universities for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention) signs the “CHARTER OF FLORENCE” for the Establishment of the Coordination of the European Landscape Observatories.



Dr. Eduard Rossell I Mir, Director of RECEP-ENELC (European Network of local and regional authorities for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention) signs the “CHARTER OF FLORENCE” for the Establishment of the Coordination of the European Landscape Observatories.



Dr. Inge Gotzmann, President of CIVILSCAPE(European Network of non governmental organisations) signs the "CHARTER OF FLORENCE" for the Establishment of the Coordination of the European Landscape Observatories.



Prof. Bas Pedroli, University of Wageningen (Netherlands), Director of UNISCAPE (European Network of Universities for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention) signs the "CHARTER OF FLORENCE" for the Establishment of the Coordination of the European Landscape Observatories.



Prof. Roberto Gambino, Emeritus Professor of the Polytechnic of Torino and Honorary Vice President UNISCAPE (European Network of Universities for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention) signs the "CHARTER OF FLORENCE" for the Establishment of the Coordination of the European Landscape Observatories.



Prof. Marco Devecchi, UNISCAPE (European Network of Universities for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention) representative of the University of Torino and President of the Landscape Observatory for Monferrato and Astigiano signs the "CHARTER OF FLORENCE" for the Establishment of the Coordination of the European Landscape Observatories.



Prof. Valerio Di Battista, former Dean of the Faculty of Architecture of the University of Milan and President of the Network of Landscape Observatories of Piedmont signs the “CHARTER OF FLORENCE” for the Establishment of the Coordination of the European Landscape Observatories.



View of Villa Ruspoli University of Florence where the seminar “LANDSCAPE OBSERVATORIES IN EUROPE: FROM ELC RECOMMENDATIONS TO LOCAL INITIATIVES 2000-2013”, took place the 27-28 of June 2013.
