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The World Heritage Institute of Training and Research for the Asia and the Pacific Region under the auspices of UNESCO (WHITRAP) is a UNESCO category 2 centre. Its mission is to strengthen the implementation of the World Heritage Convention in Asia and the Pacific region through training, research, dissemination information and network building.

In order to enhance the role of networking, WHITRAP Shanghai establishes the Heritage Asia-Pacific (HeritAP), a network of heritage practitioners, which aims to promote the knowledge and experience sharing in the region. In addition to the annual meeting since 2018, WHITRAP Shanghai holds the HeritAP Chat, with latest and most heated themes in each quarter.

In the first HeritAP Chat, we will discuss the impact of ground transportation infrastructure at the World Heritage sites. Since 1987, there are 209 State of Conservation (SOC) reports related to such factors in Asia and the Pacific region, affecting 38 properties and 16 State Parties. During this HeritAP Chat, we select three cases, which are the Great Wall (China), Baroque Churches of the Philippines (Philippines) and Fort and Shalamar Gardens in Lahore (Pakistan).

HeritAP Chat expects to facilitate the communication among professionals from sites and from the Advisory Bodies as well as World Heritage Center. We believe that by sharing their experiences, heritage practitioners could more effectively improve the mitigation measures and actions, and better respond to management and conservation of the sites.

Time	Theme	Speaker
Moderator: LI Hong, Programme Specialist, WHITRAP Shanghai		
16:00-16:10	Introduction to HeritAP Chat	LI Hong
16:10-16:25	The Great Wall, China	NIU Chenshuang Intern, Fudan University
16:25-16:40	Baroque Churches of the Philippines, Philippines	ZHANG Yiwen Intern, Tongji University
16:40-16:55	Fort and Shalamar Gardens in Lahore, Pakistan	ZHANG Weiran Intern, Macao Institute for Tourism Studies
Moderator: Gamini WIJESURIYA, Special Advisor of WHITRAP Shanghai		
16:55-18:00	CHAT JING Feng , Chief of Asia and the Pacific Unit, WHC; Sharif Shams IMON , President, ICOMOS Bangladesh; ZHANG Yimeng , Associated Researcher, Chinese Academy of Cultural Heritage; Michael Manalo , Head, National Committee on Monuments and Sites (NCMS), National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) of the Philippines; Fauzia Husain QURESHI , President, ICOMOS Pakistan	



Feng JING

Country: China

Position/Title:

Chief

Institution/Organization:

Asia and the Pacific Unit of
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Mr Feng JING was educated in English literature, international relations and the history of architecture at Lanzhou University and Tsinghua University of China, from which he also holds a Doctorate degree in the history and theory of architecture. For the past thirty years, his career has combined professional experience in heritage management and international cooperation for culture. He has directed and managed the implementation of the 1972 World Heritage Convention and other major World Heritage conservation projects throughout the I of Asia and the Pacific, from the perspective of both the States Parties (as a member of the World Heritage Committee between 1992 and 1997) and the Secretariat (as a member of staff at the World Heritage Centre since 1997).

Mr JING is currently Chief of the Asia and the Pacific Unit at UNESCO's World Heritage Centre (Paris), where he is responsible for the implementation of the 1972 World Heritage Convention in 47 countries. He also heads the UNESCO Culture Sector's programme activities for tangible heritage in the Asia and the Pacific region and other associated World Heritage programmes in 15 Field Offices. In addition, Dr JING serves as Coordinator of Capacity-Building programme for the World Heritage Convention, the UNESCO Director-General's representative to the Governing Board of the World Heritage Category 2 Centres under the auspices of UNESCO and UNESCO Chairs in the Asia and the Pacific Region. He is also Coordinator of the Silk Roads World Heritage nomination project since 2003 and Focal Point of the World Heritage Programme for Small Island Developing States (SIDS).

Mr JING has published and co-authored some 30 publications and some 60 articles and reports on World Heritage, inter-cultural dialogue, sustainable development and UNESCO. His PhD dissertation "Research on the Serial Transnational World Heritage Nomination of the Silk Roads Cultural Route" was published in 2015 by China Science Press (Beijing) and reprinted in June 2019. His PhD research focused on the review of UNESCO's culture policy, the evolution of the concept of cultural heritage, particularly heritage route, and the impacts on the World Heritage system. The case study research, focused on the conceptualization of the serial transnational World Heritage nomination process of the Silk Roads, is significant in understanding this new trend in World Heritage conservation.

Born in Sri Lanka, Dr. Gamini Wijesuriya is a renowned heritage conservation and management professional with over 40 years of experience. He is known internationally for his work on World Heritage and pioneering work on living heritage and on people-centred approaches to conservation of nature and culture. He has held positions as Head of the Conservation of the government of Sri Lanka, as a Principal Regional Scientist of the Department of Conservation, New Zealand and as a project manager of the International Centre for the Study of Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM), Rome, Italy. He has obtained PhD from the Leiden University, the Netherlands; MA from University of York, United Kingdom; MA from Carnegie- Mellon University, USA; MSc and BSc from Sri Lanka on a variety of heritage related subjects. He has served in major heritage related international organisations in diverse capacities and published widely. Currently, he is a Special Advisor to the Director General of ICCROM; a Special Advisor to the Director of the World Heritage Institute of Training and Research for the Asia and the Pacific Region under the auspices of UNESCO (WHITRAP); Honorary Senior Lecturer, Institute of Archaeology, University College London and a Facilitator for Capacity Building Programme of the Intangible Heritage Convention, UNESCO.



Gamini WIJESURIYA

Country: Sri Lanka

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Hong Li

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Position/Title:

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Institution/Organization:

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Ms. Li Hong has been programme specialist of WHITRAP Shanghai and focal point of WHC and the Advisory Bodies since 2007. Her research area is heritage tourism and heritage impact assessment. She is project manager for the UNESCO World Heritage and Sustainable Tourism Programme (WH+ST) – Chinese Pilot Studies (2015-2020) & (2020-2025). She is the key coordinator of “HeritAP”, a network of Asia-Pacific Heritage Practitioners. In addition, Ms. Li provided consultation to the World Bank project on Guizhou Cultural and Natural Heritage Protection (2010-2017).

Ms. Li is also in charge of capacity building activities related to heritage management, the regional workshop cooperated with WHC and Advisory Bodies, such as Impact Assessments for World Heritage (2012, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2021) and Management Planning for Cultural Heritage (2008, 2010), Regional World Heritage Workshop for Asia (2012) and Workshop on Environment/ Heritage Impact Assessments for the Pacific Island States (2017).

Dr Sharif Shams Imon specialises in urban heritage management and heritage tourism. His professional and teaching careers span more than 24 years. He has degrees in architecture, urban planning and business administration, and a PhD in Urban Conservation and advanced training in Integrated Territorial and Urban Conservation. Currently, he is the academic coordinator of Heritage Management and Tourism Management programmes at the Institute for Tourism Studies, Macao and a visiting faculty at the Architectural Conservation Programme, the University of Hong Kong. His research publications focus on community engagement in heritage management, heritage impact assessment, heritage interpretation and sustainable tourism in historic cities.

Dr Imon is also the president of the International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) Bangladesh and an expert member of the International Committee of Historic Towns and Villages (CIVVIH). He has been carrying out UNESCO World Heritage technical evaluation, reactive monitoring and impact assessment missions since 2005. He has also been a consultant or a lead trainer in ICCROM, ICOMOS, UNESCO, UNESCAP and government capacity building projects in heritage and tourism management in more than 14 countries.



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Yimeng ZHANG

Country: China

Position/Title:

Associate Researcher

Institution/Organization:

Chinese Academy of Cultural Heritage

Associate Researcher, World Cultural Heritage Centre of China at the Chinese Academy of Cultural Heritage (CACH). He holds a Masters in Archaeology, Peking University. He has concentrated on studies of the Great Wall since 2010. Main interests include: Great Wall archaeology, theory and policy in cultural heritage conservation and World Heritage monitoring. Since 2011, he has been actively involved in the Great Wall Conservation Project 2005-2014 and the Great Wall Resource Survey Programme held by NCHA. He was also the leading writer of The Assessment Report on the Great Wall Conservation over the Past Ten Years and the Report of the National Ming Great Wall Resource Survey. He is responsible for the establishment of the Information System of the Great Wall Resource Conservation and Administration. He took part in the Monitoring on the Large Archaeological Site Protection Scheme and in archaeological surveys of the Great Wall across the country. He also supervised the Law Enforcement Actions 2016-17 and 2017-18 by SACH. In 2016, he qualified as a Leader of Archaeological Excavations. Now he is in charge of the General Monitoring and Early Warning Platform for WHS of China.

Michael Manalo is an architect specializing in the conservation of the built environment and a member of ICOMOS Philippines since 2008. He graduated with a degree in architecture from the University of Santo Tomás and earned his Masters in Architectural Conservation from the Escuela Nacional de Conservación, Restauración y Museografía in Mexico City. He was commissioner for culture of the UNESCO National Commission of the Philippines from 2010 up to 2016, during which he was part of the Philippine Delegation while it was a member of the World Heritage Committee. He has headed the National Committee for Monuments and Sites since January of 2020 and is a lecturer at the University of Santo Tomás' Graduate Programme in Cultural Heritage Studies. His field of study is concentrated in colonial architecture and interiors in the Philippines (1580-1945), particularly in the City of Manila, Northern Luzon, and the Visayas, where he explores building aesthetics and technology, its transcultural aspects and linkages to history as well as daily life.

Architect Manalo has lead the formulation of several conservation management plans, including those for the San Sebastián Basilica (National Cultural Treasure), Manila Central Post Office Building (Important Cultural Property), and he was part of the team who authored the CMP for the Walled City of Intramuros.



Michael Manalo

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Fauzia Husain QURESHI

Country: Pakistan

Position/Title:

President

Institution/Organization:

ICOMOS Pakistan

Fauzia received a B.Arch (Pakistan) in 1975 and a M.Arch.A.S MIT, USA in 1980. She is currently Director of FHQ & Associates (SMC-PVT) Ltd. She has taught for 35 years and retired as Professor and Principal of National College of Arts in June 2011. She is currently President ICOMOS Pakistan for the term 2017-2020.

She has been very active with NGO's and civil society organizations in particular related to heritage conservation issues. As private consultant she has been engaged in planning, conservation of the environment and more specifically the built heritage and architectural design of educational, institutional, commercial and residential buildings and interior design. She authored the policy document for Heritage Conservation for the Pakistan 1988. She has prepared Conservation and Management plans for three of the World Heritage sites of Pakistan –the Lahore Fort (2003), Shalimar Gardens (2006), Rohtas Fort (2006).

Authored a book 'Multan: A Spiritual Legacy', documenting architecture and history of 50 monuments of Multan, 2013. She has contributed chapters in numerous books including Pakistan's Radioactive Decade, An Informal Cultural History of the 1970's (2019, OUP), Punjab: Building the Land of Five Rivers, 2017, Marg Foundation), An Emancipated Place: 2000 Plus Women in Architecture (2000, HECAR Foundation).



Chenshuang NIU

Country: China

Niu Chenshang got her Bachelor in philosophy from Fudan University, and she is now a graduate student in the department of Philosophy at Fudan University.

She is working as an intern at WHITRAP and is participating in the preparation of the HeritAP Chat online conference "Impact of Ground Transportation Infrastructure at World Heritage Sites", collecting information related to World Heritage and assembling it to give a presentation on the "Conservation of the Great Wall under the Beijing-Zhanghai High-speed Railway Construction Project".

She worked as an intern for the international non-governmental organization "Save the Children" from July 2020 to January 2021. She participated in the ASST(Adolescent Skills for a Successful Transition) project to provide employment technical support for migrant youth and vocational school students.

From September to December 2019, she participated in an exchange program at the University of California, Davis.



Yiwen ZHANG

Country: China

Zhang Yiwen got her bachelor in architecture from Xi 'an University of Architecture and Technology, and is currently a double-degree graduate student in the College of Architecture and Urban Planning in Tongji University and the Graduate School of Engineering in Osaka University. Her research interests are Asian modern architecture and the spread of architectural culture.

She is engaged in many research and activities related to the architectural media and the protection of cultural heritage, and has actively participated in volunteer and internship work of international organizations. She worked as a publicity assistant in the UNEP-Tongji Institute of Environment for Sustainable Development, and participated in the rural activation campaign in Wanjian Village, Anhui Province, organized by the China Academy of Urban Planning & Design.

She is currently working as an intern at WHITRAP Shanghai, conducting research on heritage sites and graphic design for related events. She assists in 2022 HeritAP Chat on Impact of Ground Transportation Infrastructure at World Heritage Sites and introduces the case of "Baroque Churches of the Philippines".



Weiran ZHANG

Country: China

Ms. ZHANG Weiran is a current junior student, majoring in Heritage Management at Macao Institute for Tourism Studies (IFTM) and will get her bachelor's degree in 2023. She has been awarded the Institute Scholarship each semester since 2019, and also her name was published on institute's Honor List for three consecutive years. She has joined several school projects related to heritage conservation and documentation.

She used to be an intern at Jinan Museum in Shandong province, helping to organize the historical study activities as well as docent training activities (2021). In addition, she also helped Association of Seak Kam Tong Hang Toi (石敢当行台理事会) to promote and organize the activity of Seak Kam Tong Celebrations (2021).

ZHANG Weiran is an intern at WHITRAP Shanghai now and performing as a project assistant. She assists in 2022 HeritAP Chat on Impact of Ground Transportation Infrastructure at World Heritage Sites and introduces the case of "Fort and Shalamar Garden in Lahore".



Yimeng WU

Country: China

WU Yimeng, a freshman student from College of Foreign Languages and Literatures, Fudan University, is currently working as an intern at Heritage Asia-Pacific (HeritAP).

Her major interests lie in old city renewal and cultural heritage conservation in urban areas. She is engaged in relevant research and has successfully completed Research of Old Town Renewal in the West of Zhonghua Gate of Nanjing University in 2021.

She is now responsible for the operation HeritAP's website, membership service, and promotion of regional news. She is also a member of study team for 2022 HeritAP Chat on Impact of Ground Transportation Infrastructure at World Heritage Sites, and contributes to outcome of the event.

