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“Specialisations: Trends and Challenges in
Conservation-Restoration Education”

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Looking back to 2019

In 2019 the Board of ENCoRE had a busy year. Much activity was directed to the publishing of the 2017 Litomyšl Ulrich Schiessl PhD Colloquium and also of the contributions to the ENCoRE Conference in Turin 2018. Unfortunately, due to considerable delays on the part of many authors, and to some administrative obstacles, the preparation for these publications took far more time than we expected. Finally, the Proceedings of the 2017 Colloquium went online in November, and the papers from the Turin 20th anniversary conference will be issued in printed form in the near future.

As the ENCoRE Conference and General Assembly take place every other year, alternating with the Ulrich Schiessl PhD Colloquium, the latter also took place this year, on the 22 – 23 November at the School of Conservation in Copenhagen. The event was organized in cooperation with the Nordic Conservation Programmes Network. PhD candidates from 8 countries presented their work, their 24 contributions covering a broad spectrum of research themes.

Another activity of the Board was the improvement of the survey questionnaire which, following the decisions taken in Turin, is intended to give a regular update on the status of the Members at each General Assembly. Similarly, a method for categorisation of all the specializations offered by the Members is also being prepared by the Board, which should provide potential students with a detailed overview on the options for education in conservation-restoration in

Europe. The reason for this effort is the fact that the titles of courses are often very general and sometimes also unclear, giving only hints to the types of heritage treated. The final goal is a specialization table for the ENCoRE website, so that potential candidates are able to choose between the universities on a well-informed basis.

Furthermore, the Board has been working on redesigning the ENCoRE website. This work is ongoing, and it is hoped that the new website can be launched before the next General Assembly on 14-15 May in Porto. Preparations for this biennial event, which again will be held together with the ENCoRE Conference, have been continuing over the past year.

Between two General Assemblies

The 20th anniversary of ENCoRE was celebrated in Turin in May 2018, in the premises of SUSCOR (Struttura Universitaria in Scienze per la Conservazione, Restauro, Valorizzazione dei Beni Culturali), located in the Venaria Reale, a huge 19th century palace complex. Great thanks go to SUSCOR who very generously hosted the event, providing a magnificent arena eminently suited to the occasion.

20th Anniversary of ENCoRE:
ENCORE Conference 23 May 2018
ENCORE General Assembly 24-25 May 2018

The conference theme was "The Impact of Conservation-Restoration Education on the Development of the Profession"; there were 12 contributions, followed by lively discussion. Most of the conference papers will be published in printed form, although unfortunately some written contributions were not eventually submitted to the board. The publication will give a good over-view of the various angles from which this topic can be examined. One contribution (W. Baatz, R. Larsen) gives - for the first time in written form - an overview on the founding history and detail on the further development of ENCoRE. The publication is going to be printed in the coming weeks.

General Assembly which followed the conference during the next two days was attended by 24 member institutions. The main topic of the meeting was the member school survey, which covered courses, student numbers, teacher/student ratio, entrance exams, staff qualifications etc. The development of the survey questionnaire had taken much effort, and it was meticulously filled in by the members. The results were most interesting and stimulated many discussions - not so much about the details but rather about the difficulty in obtaining coherent and comparable data on all the different systems of teaching and teacher employment. Many constructive critical points were taken on board, and an improved

questionnaire will be circulated soon, in the hope that results will be achieved which are more directly comparable across the schools. It was agreed that before each General Assembly the questionnaire should be circulated again, in order to have regular updates on the status of the member institutions.

Specialisation was another topic of the General Assembly. From the survey results, it turned out that it is quite difficult for potential candidates to choose the right school, as the course content is often not very clear. The Board is working on a systematic scheme which will be more easily understandable by prospective students and outsiders. The results of this work will be presented at the next General Assembly in Porto.

As new Associate Member the ESCRBCC (Escola Superior de Conservació i Restauració de Béns Culturals de Catalunya, Barcelona) was admitted at the General Assembly. ENCoRE has now a total number of 40 members in 20 European countries. The result of some changes of membership status can be followed by looking at the membership lists on the ENCoRE homepage.

The next General Assembly will take place 14-15 May at the Catholic University in Porto, Portugal and the topics discussed in Turin will be revisited. The event will be preceded by the ENCoRE Conference on 12 May which - as a starting point for the two days to follow - will be on the topic of specialisation ("Specialisations: Trends and Challenges in Conservation-Restoration Education"). The call for papers for the ENCoRE Conference 2020 went out in Newsletter 3/2019, the deadline being 28 February.

Specialisations: Trends and Challenges in Conservation-Restoration Education

ENCoRE Conference, Porto, Portugal 13 May 2020

Call for Papers:

The next ENCoRE conference on 13 May 2020 preceding the General Assembly 14-15 May 2020 will be devoted to:

Specialisations: Trends and Challenges in Conservation-Restoration Education

Papers are invited on topics related to the developments in past decades including current trends. Some suggested topics are:

- Specialisations and career prospects/market
- Specialist vs generalist
- Defining specialisations
- Specialisations for the future of conservation
- Specialisations and regional demands
- Lack of specialization training possibilities
- Specialisation and continuous professional development (CPD)
- Specialisation and professional qualifications

The Abstract must be submitted by Friday 28 February 2020 to conference@encore-edu.org

Abstracts should describe original, unpublished work. Abstracts must be written in ENGLISH and contain the following information:

- Author(s) full name(s)
- Contact author
- Affiliation
- Telephone number
- E-mail address
- Title of the paper
- Key words
- Abstract (max. 500 Words)

Final deadline for handing in papers for publication will be Sunday 1 July. The papers will go through an editorial process for final selection of publication.

Abstracts must be submitted in Word Format. After the evaluation of the proposed contributions and the selection of papers the program will be announced March 2020. We hope to receive interesting papers demonstrating the various approaches and strategies academic research based teaching may take, dealing with integrated teaching of practical topics ("practice") and theory as well as with rather theoretical topics. You are kindly asked to distribute this call for papers amongst interested colleagues – thank you in advance for your support.

The ENCoRE Conference as well as the General Assembly will be hosted by the Catholic University Porto, Portugal

The Board of ENCoRE

Call for Posters

The Board of ENCoRE cordially invites students to present a poster on their research project. Submissions are restricted to students who are currently studying conservation-restoration at Masters (or 4th year Bachelors) level, at any European Higher Education (University level) Institution that is a member of ENCoRE. The aim is to present ongoing students' projects, in order to demonstrate the huge variety of research and treatments undertaken by current students of the ENCoRE member institutions.

Consideration will be given to posters that demonstrate both the highest quality of student research and/or practical treatments, and the learning outcomes achieved by European conservation-restoration education programmes.

A maximum of 3 posters per member institution can be submitted. The selection of these proposals as well as their ranking will have to be made by the teaching staff of the ENCoRE member institution

The students must submit the posters together and only with the agreement of the professors to ENCoRE at conference@encore-edu.org

Depending on the number of submissions from member institutions and the space available, the board of ENCoRE will make the final selection (at least 1 poster per school) for posters to be presented at the conference.

Further prerequisites:

The posters must be written in English.

The content of the posters must be submitted before 1st March 2020.

Posters should measure 100 x 70 cm and should not be mounted. Printing and delivery will be the responsibility of the author(s)