EUROPEAN ARCHAEOLOGICAL COUNCIL

Managing Europe's archaeological heritage



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ABOUT EAC



he European Archaeological Council (EAC) has been in existence since 1999 and is a unique and vital networking organisation.

The European Archaeological Council (EAC) is a democratic network open to all national bodies charged with the management of the archaeological heritage throughout Europe.

The primary mission of the EAC is to support the management of the archaeological heritage throughout Europe and to serve the needs of national archaeological heritage management agencies by providing a forum for these agencies to establish closer and more structured co-operation and exchange of information.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

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- to promote the exchange of information and co-operation between members.
- to provide archaeological heritage
 management agencies with a forum for
 discussion and exchange of information.
- to assist working towards common goals and to act as a monitoring and advisory body on all issues relevant to the management of the archaeological heritage in Europe.
- to promote the management, protection, scientific interpretation, publication, presentation, and public enjoyment and understanding of the archaeological heritage in Europe.
- to work together with other bodies which share its aims.
- to watch over, and act for, the well-being of archaeology in Europe.



BENEFITS TO MEMBER STATES

- The EAC pursues a strategic agenda and accompanying action plan for improving European archaeology (the Amersfoort Agenda and Strategic Plan).
- In delivering its action plan, the EAC hosts a themed annual symposium focused on issues or pressures on archaeological management which transcend state borders.
- It publishes the symposium proceedings annually both online and in hard copy summary form, free for members.
- It convenes specialist working groups whose voluntary members undertake specific research and develop international guidance and advice.





- It produces a regular EU Briefing on policy, legislative and strategic funding developments which may be of interest to its members.
- It provides direct support and advice to member states on particular issues through its Board.
- It supports key strategic funding bids for projects of international value to archaeological heritage management, thus helping to bring much needed external funds to participating states.
- It connects with international heritage bodies such as the Council of Europe, ICOMOS, the European Heads of Heritage Forum and others.

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HOW TO GET INVOLVED

The EAC couldn't function without its active members. All support is very welcome! These are the ways to get involved:

- Join a working group and help us provide guidelines and other kinds of advice for our members.
- Contribute to the annual meeting and Heritage Management Symposium.
 Give a lecture, contribute to the publication or just attend. The symposium addresses current issues in archaeological heritage management.
- Subscribe to the EAC newsletter and the European Affairs Newsletter.

The EAC newsletter will keep you updated on all our activities and publications; the European Affairs Update is issued four times a year and provides you with information on EU policy, funding and legislation; our suite of EAC Guidelines on heritage management issues are available via our website.



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