

Table 2: WHITRAP (Shanghai) Academic Conferences, 2008-2009

A. Participation in UNESCO Conferences				
Theme	Contents	Date	Participants	Note
	179 th Executive Committee Conference (Paris and Rome)	April 2008	Wu Zhiqiang, Kong Ping	Participant
	2 nd Coordination Meeting for the Establishment of the "World Heritage Institute in the Arabian Region "	December 2008	Zhou Jian	Participant, Speaker
"Historic Urban Landscapes" (Hanoi, Vietnam)	Discussion of the concept and conservation methodology of historic urban landscapes	April 2009	Li Xin	Participant, Speaker
33 rd Session of the World Heritage Committee Conference (Spain)	177 world heritage sites in total submitted their reports on the state of conservation for deliberation by experts during the session	June 22 to 30, 2009	Kong Ping	Session participant
"Advancing Sustainable Tourism at Cultural and Natural Heritage Sites" (Dunhuang, China)	Development of recommendations for amendments to the <i>Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention</i> based on best practices for tourism management	September 26 to 28, 2009	Zhang Yanhua	Speaker, Host of panel discussion
"Protecting World Cultural Heritage Sites and Their Historic Urban Environment from Earthquakes" (Katmandu, Nepal)	Discussion of the possible impacts of earthquakes on the region, illustration of the challenges from rapid urbanization, population growth, fracturing of indigenous communities, and the loss of traditional knowledge	February 16 to 19, 2009	Kong Ping	Presenter of papers
"Expert Meeting on the draft recommendation on the Conservation of Historic Urban Landscapes" (Paris)	Drafting of the Recommendation for possible consideration by the General Conference in 2011	February 17 to 19, 2010	Han Feng	Speaker
B. Participation in Other International Conferences				
4 th World Heritage Forum (Macau)	World Heritage and urban competition, Tourism and Commerce, Conservation and Principles of WH, the Roles of NGOs in WH Sites	November 2008	Zhang Yanhua	Delivering Speeches

3 rd International Conference on 'Risk Management: Reducing Vulnerability to Disasters in Historic Cities' (Nara, Japan)	Showcase of the efforts of Nara Cultural Center in researching risk management, illustrating risks and challenges, and developing preventative approaches to protect cultural properties from natural disasters	January 28 to 30, 2009	Kong Ping	Observer
International Seminar on Dujiangyan's Post-earthquake Reconstruction (Dujiangyan, China)	Recommendations for post-quake reconstruction, the development of rural regions, and the conservation of the world heritage site were developed	July 19 to 21, 2009	Zhou Jian, Yu Liqing	Seminar host and speaker
"Annual Committee Meeting, ICOMOS-IFLA International Committee on Cultural Landscapes" (Toyko, Japan)		August 31 to September 3, 2009	Han Feng	Voting member of committee
"3 rd International Conference of the Alliance of World Heritage Cultural Landscapes" (Alhambra, Granada, Spain)		November 25 to 26, 2009	Han Feng	Speaker
The ICCROM 26th General Assembly in Rome	During the Assembly, participants listened to reports on the implementation of the 2008-2009 program, presented by different units of ICCROM, and elected new members to ICCROM's Council for the period of 2009 – 2013	November 2009	Kong Ping, Yu Liqing	Speaker
The 2nd Asian for Heritage Management (AAHM) Conference	Carrying out discussions relating to the theme: Urban Heritage and Tourism - Challenges and Opportunities, as well as sensitive issues in relation to adaptive reuse, commodification, and authenticity	December 2009	Kong Ping	Host of sub-session, speaker
C. Hosting of Domestic Conferences				
Roundtable	Sharing thoughts on the	July 23 to	Wu Zhiqiang,	Organizer

Meeting Focusing on 'World Heritage Protection and Sustainable Tourism Management' (Beijing)	current situation of Chinese world heritage protection and sustainable tourism	24, 2008	Zhang Yanhua, Kong Ping, Li Xin	
National Workshop on the Tentative List of World Natural and Mixed Heritage	Constructive suggestions were put forward on how to complete the application steps for natural heritage between the authorities and sites, how to build up an authoritative and professional commission structure, and how to draft an action plan for the sustainable development of the tentative list in China	January 2009	Han Feng, Li Xin	Organized by WHITRAP (Beijing)
D. Co-organization of Domestic Conferences				
First and Second Sessions, Zhouzhuang Forum on 'the Ancient Town Protection & Development'	In-depth discussion of the development of ancient towns with a variety of challenges	April 2008; April 2009	Li Xin	Sponsor
International Symposium on 'Conservation and Sustainable Development of Village Cultural Landscapes' (Guizhou)	Discussion of the definition of the category of village cultural landscape (VCL) and the meaning of protection, approaches to technology and protection, and its utilization and sustainable development	November 2008	Zhou Jian, Li Xin	Sponsor
E. Participation in Domestic Conferences				
Sino-French Seminar on the 'Preservation and Development of Pingyao Ancient City'	Discussion of the problems of Pingyao Ancient City in its preservation and development	July 22 to 24, 2009	Zhou Jian, Yu Liqing	Organizer and speaker
F. The Heritage Forum				
Session 1	Topic: The Search for a Standardized System of Heritage Protection - Dialogue Between Different Government Ranks	October 18, 2008	Director of the National Bureau of Relics, Mr. Shan JiXiang Former Deputy Director of the Department Urban Planning in the Ministry of Construction, Mr. Wang Jinghui Deputy Director of the Shanghai Urban Planning Bureau, Mr. Wu Jiang	

			Former Mayor of Zhouzhuang Village, Mr. Zhuang ChunDi
Session 2	How to become a World Heritage site and Management Status of World Heritage sites in China	November 24, 2008	Former Deputy Director the Urban Construction Department in the Ministry of Construction, Wang Fengwu Dean of Tongji University's Creative Academy, Wu Zhiqiang Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Zhang Song Associate Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Han Feng
Session 3	"A Tale of Two Cities" in Protection: Beijing vs. Shanghai	December 10, 2008	Author of 'City's Diary', Senior Reporter of Xinhua News Agency, Wang Jun Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Sun Shiwen
Session 4	Development of Conservation Regulations in Shanghai	March 27, 2009	Deputy Headmaster of Tongji University, Wu Jiang Section Chief of Shanghai Municipal Administration Commission of Cultural Heritage's Ground Heritage Conservation Section, Tan Yufeng Section Chief of Shanghai Municipal Bureau of Planning and Land Resource Management's Historic Features Protection Section, Gu Shiyang Deputy Consultant of Historic Features Protection Section, Zhang Wenhai Deputy Director of Historic Building Preservation for the Shanghai Municipal Housing Support and Building Administration Bureau, Jiang Jiang Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Lu Yongyi
Session 5	Crisis and Deliverance of Spiritual Heritage - Preservation of Intangible Cultural Heritage from the Perspective of Cultural Criticism	May 21, 2009	Professors of Tongji University's Cultural Criticism Institute, Zhu Dake and Zhang Hong Associate Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Shao Yong
Session 6	Urban Heritage Conservation from a Sociological Perspective	November 4, 2009	Professor of Fudan University's School of Social Development and Public Policy, Yu Hai Associate Editor of "Exploration and Free Views", Qin Weixian

			Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Pan Haixiao
Session 7	The Role of Media in Historic Heritage	December 13, 2009	<p>Director and Editor of "Southern Weekend" Department of Culture, Xiang Yang</p> <p>Reporter of "Southern Weekend", Ju Jing</p> <p>Director of "Xinmin Evening News" Commentary Department, Li Tianyang</p> <p>Reporter of "Oriental Morning Post", Shi Jianfeng</p> <p>Producer of International Channel Shanghai (ICS), Li Zhuangmiao</p> <p>Director of UNESCO World Heritage Training and Research Center (Shanghai), Professor Zhou Jian</p>
Special Session 1	Community Involvement in the Conservation and Development of Cities in High-density Areas – Experiences from Tokyo and China	December 22, 2008	<p>Director of Japan's Waseda University Urban Planning Department, Shigeru Sato</p> <p>Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Sun Shiwen</p> <p>Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Zhang Song</p>
Special Session 2	The Possibility of Architectural Harmony between New and Old in the Historical and Cultural Landscape - Berlin Brandenburg-Potsdam Garden Palace as an example	April 17, 2009	<p>Leader of Berlin Brandenburg-Potsdam Garden Palace Foundation, Gabriele HORN</p> <p>Deputy Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Mei Qing, Shao Yong, Zuo Yan</p>
Special Session 3	The Role of Architectural Heritage in Social and Economic Development	April 30, 2009	<p>Director of the English Heritage Lottery Fund's Strategy and Policy Department, Judith Cligman</p> <p>Deputy Professor of Tongji University's Architecture and Urban Planning Institute, Zhu Xiaoming</p> <p>Director of Shanghai Old House Association "Save Shanghai Heritage" project, Anne Warr</p>