
II MEETING OF DIRECTORS LANDSCAPE MASTERS COURSES

OUTCOME DOCUMENT

The European Network of Universities for the implementation of the European Landscape Convention (UNISCAPE) and the participants representing 9 universities from 6 different nations at the **II Meeting for Directors of Landscape Masters Courses**, held at La Rábida, Huelva (Spain) on the 20th and 21st of May 2010, after a fruitful discussion issue the following statement and conclusions deriving from the meeting:

- 1) UNISCAPE agrees to promote and construct a European II level Master based at the University of Florence.
- 2) The Master will involve at least 3 Universities of the Network and will be multidisciplinary.
- 3) The orientation of the Master will apply the European Landscape Convention in relation to spatial planning, urban planning and the landscape project.
- 4) The common ground of the Master will be the juridical perspective. The European Landscape Convention should constitute the 70% of Master's contents. The remaining 30% could vary each year. A comparative approach is desirable.
- 5) A draft title proposed for the Master is: *"UNISCAPE STRATEGIES FOR THE LANDSCAPE IN EUROPE. New perspectives for landscape planning, design and policies, in relation to the ELC: a comparison of the different approaches in the European Countries"*.
- 6) A working group has been formed in order to draft a first proposal. This group, immediately operative, is composed by:
 - Professor Gian Franco CARTEI (University of Florence)
 - Professor Sasa DOBRICIC (University of Nova Gorica)
 - Professor Yann NUSSAUME (University of Paris-La Villette)
 - Professor Thomas PANAGOPOULOS (University of Algarve)
 - Professor Bas PEDROLI (University of Wageningen)
 - Professor Florencio ZOIDO (International University of Andalucia and University of Sevilla)
- 7) Source of funding could be the *Erasmus Mundus* programme. The 2010 call for application closed in April, but the deadline for the *Erasmus University Charter* (prerequisite to carry out Erasmus programmes) is 30 June 2010. All members of the working group commit themselves to submit the proposal of the Master to their universities, to sign it and to submit it to the *Erasmus University Charter* before 30 June 2010.
- 8) The first proposal elaborated by the working group will be submitted to the General Assembly of UNISCAPE in October 2010, in order to involve other universities of the Network in the construction of the UNISCAPE Master.
- 9) All representative participating in the Meeting underline the necessity to involve the European Community in the construction of the Master. Additionally Professor ZOIDO committed himself to contact Mrs. Maguelonne Déjeant-Pons (Head of the Cultural Heritage, Landscape and Spatial Planning Division of the COE) in order to obtain the Council of Europe's support.
- 10) A first step in the construction of the Master will be the organisation of a high-level seminar in Florence (addressed to max. 30 students), coordinated by University of Florence and International University of Andalucia.