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Documentation for nomination and monitoring
procedures for World Heritage Sites:
UPDATE REPORT

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Needs

- 4.a - defining documentation guidelines/ management tools***
- 3.a – increasing RecorDIM resources through promoting its benefits***





Target audience

Institutions and professionals involved in World Heritage nominations and monitoring:

- World Heritage Site managers
- Conservation professionals
- Decision makers
- UNESCO World Heritage Centre
- University graduate students



Purpose and objectives

Provide support to Operation guidelines:

- Improve the quality and help in standardizing data in nomination files
- Improve the periodic use of instruments to provide timely and sufficient information to detect changes in world heritage sites
- Encourage preventive maintenance of sites

Deliverables

Document which will define:

- The level and standard of documentation, and a definition on how to use documentation for monitoring
- The material will be presented to the UNESCO World Heritage Center, to be then presented to the World Heritage Committee, with the objective of becoming an annex of the WH Operational Guidelines.



Use

The suggested level of recording and documentation will become a requirement for every new nomination, for every monitoring report and for every management plan

Strategy

Parallel actions:

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Leuven): case study: Petra, Jordan
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