



Section on Architectural Records

Section sur les Archives d'Architecture

ACTIVITY REPORT OF THE SECTION, NOVEMBER 2017 - NOVEMBER 2018.

The most important tasks of the SAR committee for this year were to plan the activities for the next period, start working together as a new Executive and be more visible to the Council and to the world of archives, so that people can come to know us . and join us, too.

1. Meeting of the Steering Committee: Madrid, November 24, 2017; Venice, November 8, 2018.

Although the Section operates virtually, during this period two meetings of the Executive Committee were held. The first one, in Madrid in November 2017, was the first formal meeting for the new executive members of the Section. We also plan some activities for the Section.

And the second meeting was held in Venice, Italy, in November 2018, and we made some adjustments to the planning made in Madrid.

2. Members of the Section.

We already have fifty, from 27 different countries. Of these, 60% come from Europe, 16% from Asia, 14% from Africa and 8% from America.

And we regret to say that recently Mrs. Cruces Blanco, from Spain, has sent us her resignation as a member of the Executive Committee. She has been elected to the ECOM and must remain independent to do her new job in the Council.

In addition, Mrs. Mantangira has also resigned. Now he works for the United Nations in New York and can no longer remain responsible with SAR.

During this period we have strengthened, and will continue to do so, communication with our members, in order to create a true professional community to share knowledge and experiences.

3. Communications policy.

One of our goals is to publish on the ICA website more frequently, at least once every three months. In addition, we will keep in touch (by email) with members who are not so used to social networks (facebook, ect).

On the other hand, we have been working on some materials (brochures and a step-by-step document on "how to apply") to send to other institutions and professionals who may be interested in joining and working in our Section. This could help us create a stronger professional network.

4. Other activities

We are making a directory of institutions around the world related to archives of architecture. We have contacted more than 10% of the people and institutions that are part of the Directory of Files that is still in process, to increase the number of members of SAR and ICA and to be more visible.

We have collaborated with AAA-Italy, Associazione Nazionale Archivi Architettura Contemporanea (<http://www.aaa-italia.org/>), and our President, Ms. Cagigas, made a presentation about our Section, at its Annual Conference, two weeks ago.

We have been collaborating with AADIPA, the Association of Architects for the Defense and Intervention in the Architectural Heritage (www.arquitectes.cat/es/aadipa), in order to participate in an International Congress next 2019.

We have also been working with the International University of Andalusia (UNIA), to collaborate in the organization of a course of experts in Architecture and Engineering Documents, which would take place at the Technical Campus of the UNIA in Malaga, Spain. But this project does not exist anymore.

Now we are working on organizing an international congress in Portugal, next 2019, in the area of Minho, probably in Braga.

In addition, we think it is very important that we generate knowledge, and today we are working on a proposal to create a working group within SAR, focused on electronic architecture documents.