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Last Information and Participation Meeting of the European Cultural Heritage Summit

Preparations for the European Cultural Heritage Summit - Istanbul 2010 and the establishment of Europa Nostra - Turkey branch are in full course with the involvement of different stakeholders. The last of five information and participation meetings series was held with the business community and cultural heritage veterans on 16 March 2010, in Pera Museum. During the meeting, around 50 participants discussed how to improve individual and institutional contributions to the Europa Nostra Istanbul activities.

The first of the Cultural Heritage and NGOs in Europe meetings is at the Netherlands Institute in Turkey, on 9 April 2010

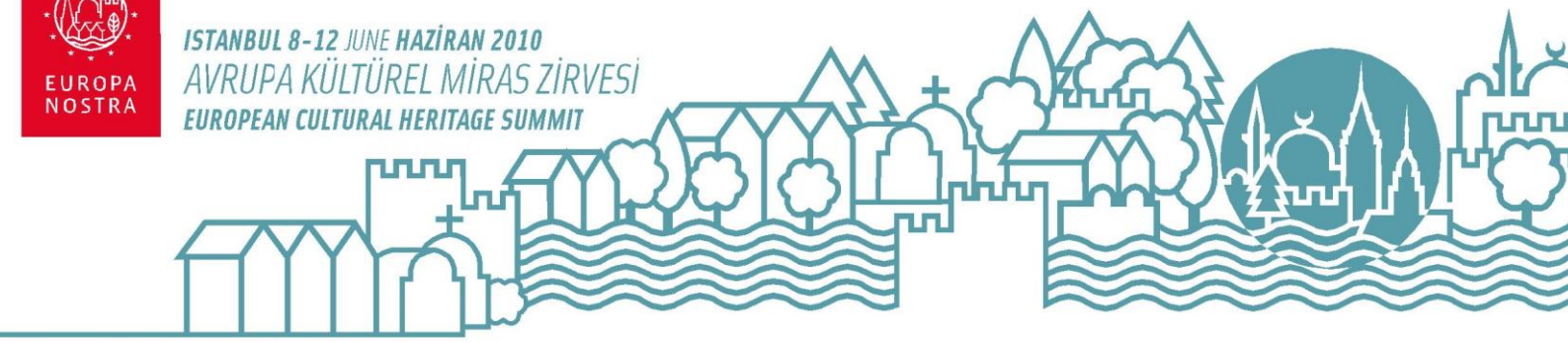
This year, the scope of the Europa Nostra Annual Congress is wider than usual. "Cultural Heritage and NGOs in Europe" meetings series, which is one of the additional activities, are organised in collaboration with diplomatic and cultural representations of the Netherlands, France, Germany and United Kingdom in Istanbul. Those meetings aim to improve experience sharing among NGOs from different countries and increase collaboration possibilities. Under this framework, first meeting will be held at the Netherlands Institute in Turkey (NIT), on 9 April 2010. Representatives of NIT, Netherlands Institute for Heritage (Erfgoed Nederland), the Netherlands Open Air Museum (Nederlands Openluchtmuseum), Bond Heemschut and European Association of History Educators (EUROCLIO) will attend the meeting as speakers.
For information; http://www.europanostraistanbul2010.org/en/news_content.aspx?id=6.

Urgent call for Allianoi

Allianoi, which has yielded many historically rich monuments, including one of the world's best preserved and biggest Roman thermal spas, is under threat of being destroyed in the name of development. Despite several court decisions against the flooding of Allianoi for the sake of an irrigation dam, the State Waterworks Directory of Turkey, supported by the government, has decided to hold water in Yortanli dam starting from 10 April.

For more information; http://www.europanostraistanbul2010.org/en/content.aspx?id=1

Europa Nostra also campaigns for Allianoi since 2005. For more information; http://www.europanostra.org/heritage-at-risk/



European Cultural Heritage Summit will be enriched with music

This year, European Cultural Heritage Summit include preparations for an all around musical programme, to be implemented in collaboration with Istanbul Technical University, Centre for Advanced Studies in Music (MİAM - www.miam.itu.edu.tr) and Bogazici Performing Arts Socitey (www.bgst.org). News on progress on the programme will be available on the Summit website www.europanostraistanbul2010.org.

What you can do for Europa Nostra Istanbul activities

Personal and institutional links between Turkey and Europe is of crucial importance regarding the Europa Nostra Istanbul activities. For instance, the Netherlands Institute for Heritage introduced Yeşim Tonga, who is currently working at the EN Istanbul Office. Furthermore, thanks to the President of Europa Nostra Germany, Prince Alexander Fürst zu Sayn-Wittgenstein, we met Can Yucaoglu, a young and successful Turkish businessman. We kindly ask Europa Nostra members to call out to their cultural heritage network in Turkey, for them to join the 2010 Summit and support its preparations.

For your questions and comments about Istanbul 2010 European Cultural Heritage Summit and Europa Nostra Istanbul activities;

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