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TO ASSOCIATIONS & DELEGATES

Invitation to attend IFLA Europe General Assembly

Brussels, May 2013

Dear Colleagues,

According to the statutes of IFLA Europe, the Executive Council announces the General Assembly 2013 to take place on the **21st** and **22nd** of **September**.

As voted at the 2012 General Assembly, the meeting will take place in Berlin, Germany, seizing the opportunity of the Bund Deutscher Landschaftsarchitekten - bdla centenary.

The member associations represented by their Presidents and the delegates are warmly invited to attend the General Assembly and to take part to the festivities organized by the German association of Landscape Architects.

The agenda for the General Assembly will be circulated in due time.

In the meantime, I would like to share with you the following information attached.

The management of the organisation is in the hands of the Executive Council, the current members of which are as follows:

<u>President</u>: Nigel THORNE (L.I. – United Kingdom) <u>Secretary General</u>: Marina CERVERA (AEP - Spain)

Treasurer: Jeremy DENNIS (DL - Denmark)

President of Education Committee: Tony Williams (ILI - Ireland)

President of Professional Practice Committee: Carlo BRUSCHI (AIAPP - Italy)

Yours sincerely,

Marina Cervera Secretary General

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IFLA Europe General Assembly 2013 in Berlin

This document provides you with the information on the organizational framework of the IFLA Europe General Assembly 2013, which will take place in Berlin (Germany).

General Assembly: The General Assembly will be held on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd of September.

Celebration 100 years bdla: On Friday the 20th of September, all participants to the General Assembly are invited to the bdla main jubilee event in 2013: the centenary of the Bund Deutscher Landschaftsarchitekten bdla.

The celebration will be held in the centre of Berlin next to the Brandenburg Gate. The function will start at 7 pm and preludes a joint party for and with Landscape Architects. Early registration is free but compulsory!

Come together Saturday evening: On Saturday night (September 21st) IFLA Europe and bdla offer you to discover Berlin by night. We promise splendid views of one of Europe's most fascinating metropolis. This discovery journey will be carried out by boat. Due to the limited capacity (60 guests) only delegates, presidents and observers will be able to join.

Technical tours: Friday the 20th and Sunday the 22nd afternoon bdla will offer excursions (by foot and bus) to see and discuss Berlin's contemporary Landscape Architecture.

On Friday we will start with a 'meet & greet' at the bdla headquarters from where the excursion will start.

And on Sunday, it is planned to visit the parks along the former Berlin Wall. A very flexible walk in order to allow individual departures on Sunday afternoon will be arranged.



Dates, overview and timetable:

Friday Sep 20

IFLA Europe ExCo Meeting bdla headquarter 8 - 12 am

New Landscape Architecture in Berlin

12 am meet & greet bdla headquarter

1 - 5 pm Excursion

100 years bdla function / celebration Berlin Mitte / Brandenburger Tor 7 - 12 pm

Saturday Sep 21

IFLA Europe General Assembly 2013 9am - 5.30 pm

Berlin by night - boat trip for presidents, delegates and observers 7.00 - 11 pm

Sunday Sep 22

IFLA Europe General Assembly 2013 9 am - 12am

> lunch & departure 12.30 -1.30 pm

Excursion Mauerstreifenparks (new parks & Berlin Wall) 1.30 - 5 pm

> ExCo Meeting bdla HQ 6 - 9 pm

General organization & information:

Please contact IFLA Europe executive secretary Christine Bavassa at ifla_europe@skynet.be

Overview of GA venues in Berlin on google maps:

Google maps link: http://goo.gl/maps/uwWQR

The GA will take place next to the Central station (Berlin Hauptbahnhof).

www.hrs.de

Hotel & Registration for GA 2013:

Rooms have been secured at the Mikon Eastgate Hotel & the Ibis Berlin City Potsdamer Platz.

All participants whether they are associations' presidents or observers can book in either both hotels.

According to the organisation's regulations, IFLA Europe will refund expenses for one (only) delegate. The following expenses will be paid directly by IFLA Europe: two nights including breakfast at the hotel selected by IFLA Europe (any additional night and breakfast at charge of the delegate); the two lunches of the GA (Saturday and Sunday) and the dinner of Saturday evening (except drinks). As for the plane ticket, it will be refunded on production of the ticket. It is strongly recommended to book your plane as soon as possible to benefit from preferential fares.



In case the delegate (or his/ her representative) is unable to attend the General Assembly, then the Federation will refund expenses for the president on the same conditions than for the delegate.

Therefore, Christine Bavassa, executive secretary, will organize, as usual, the hotel bookings <u>for delegates</u> and the registration to the General Assembly.

Special requests, questions, or any matter related to the General Assembly should be addressed to her at ifla europe@skynet.be.

Venue of the General Assembly:

The GA will be held very near the Berlin Central Station (Hauptbahnhof) at

Tagungen am Hauptbahnhof, Berliner Stadtmission Diakonie Betriebs gGmbH, Lehrter Strasse 68, 10557 Berlin, Germany.

Venue and registration for bdla jubilee (Friday night): Please notice that an early registration for these events is compulsory and will be made possible with an online-booking form. bdla will provide detailed information soon.

Address: Allianz Stiftungsforum Pariser Platz, Pariser Platz 6, 10117 Berlin, Germany

Registration for excursions:

bdla will provide detailed information about the technical tours on Friday the 20th and Sunday the 22nd shortly. Please notice that a registration for these technical tours is compulsory and will be made possible with an online-booking form.

www.parcview.de | Discovering Landscape Architecture in Berlin:

Berlin's open spaces can now be experienced with the online portal "www.ParcView.de". bdla presents landscape architecture in a manner that is emotionally attractive, spatially positioned and knowledgeable – for your desktop and as a mobile web app. The portal www.ParcView.de is the first element in the Federation of German Landscape Architect's (bdla) innovative online strategy to experience Berlin's cultural landscape. On the start page, the 360° swivelling panorama of the capital city, infused with "green", provides an eventful and informative view of the landscaped architecture. As an intuitive entrance to the portal, it awakens the appetite for diverse encounters with the designed outdoor areas in the metropolis. The portal "ParcView" addresse the topic landscape architecture and its diverse references to Berlin art, cultural goods and cultural institutions.