Section I-Slovakia

12. Conclusions and Recommended Actions

12.1. State Party's implementation of the *World Heritage Convention*

12.1.1 - Identification of heritage

Identification of heritage

Inventories / lists / registers capture the full diversity of cultural and natural heritage.

Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the identification of potential World Heritage Properties.

12.1.2 - National Inventories

National Inventories

National
: Process completed or continually updated

Regional / provincial / state
: Not applicable

National
: Process completed or continually updated

Regional / provincial / state
: Process well-advanced

12.1.3 - Tentative List

Tentative List

Yes

12.1.4 - Legal framework

Legal framework

Existing capacity/resources to enforce the legal framework could be strengthened.

12.1.5 - Implementation of international conventions within national policies

Implementation of international conventions within national policies

12.1.6 - Communities

Communities

Local communities / residents: Fair

Level of involvement / consultation of local landowners: Not applicable

Level of involvement / consultation of local industries: Fair

Local communities / residents: Fair

Indigenous peoples: Not applicable

Landowners: Good

12.1.7 - Larger-scale planning

Larger-scale planning

There are policies but there are some deficiencies in their implementation.

12.1.8 - Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation

Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation

In general, cooperation exists between different levels of government for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage but there are still deficiencies.

12.1.9 - Scientific and Technical Studies and Research

Scientific and Technical Studies and Research

There is some research specifically addressing World Heritage.

12.1.10 - Financial status

Financial status

The available budget is acceptable but could be further improved to fully meet the conservation, protection and presentation needs.

12.1.11 - Human resources

Human resources

Human resources are adequate but additional staffing would enable more effective conservation, protection and presentation to meet international best practice standards.

12.1.12 - Training

Training

There is a national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation, protection and presentation but there are some deficiencies in implementation.

12.1.13 - International cooperation

International cooperation

Bi-lateral and multi-lateral agreements

Financial support

Contributions to private organisations for the preservation of cultural and natural heritage

Participation in foundations for international cooperation

Sharing expertise for capacity building

Hosting and / or attending international training courses/seminars

Distribution of material / information

Other (please specify in 10.3)

12.1.14 - Education, Information and awareness building

Education, Information and awareness building

Private Sector
: Fair

Youth
: Fair

Communities living in/around heritage sites
: Fair

12.2. Actions for the implementation of the *World Heritage Convention* (identified from table 12.1).

12.2.1 - Please select the top issues (up to six)

Please refer to question 5.2

12.3. Priority Actions Assessment

12.3.2 - Priority actions assessment

12.3.3 - Additional actions for the implementation of the World Heritage Convention

Set of measures to protect the World Heritage is sufficient; its enforcement could be improved by greater cooperation between institutions and local communities, as well as an increase in direct

financial incentives, but this depends on the strength of the country"s economy. It is crucial to raise global public awareness of the cultural and natural heritage in general by using all available media and to enhance professional training aimed directly at the World Heritage issues within the region.