

## **International Scientific Committee on Water and Heritage – Mission Statement**

*The following Mission Statement is intended as an aid to defining the remit of the ISC and enabling partner bodies to recognise when their activities concern matters in relation to which they may wish to engage with the ISC.*

The International Scientific Committee on Water Heritage is dedicated to the research, protection and promotion of water-related cultural heritage and its material, conceptual, political and spiritual aspects.

The committee's aim is to progress comprehension and dissemination of the knowledge and experience contained in the World's water heritage and harness it to sustainably address the water-related concerns of the present and future.

Specifically, the objectives of the committee are to:

- Create an international platform for interaction between ICOMOS, its ISCs and other heritage organisations and the water sector; governments, agencies, associated communities and NGOs, for networking, education and dialogue about the significance and management of water heritage.
- Develop methodologies, training, policies and good design process, responding to traditional wisdom, to inform climate change mitigation and adaptation, and improve current and future water management and planning.
- Generally, strengthen the role of water heritage in social engagement and policy-making.