SEVERAL APPROACHES TO THE CONSERVATION OF ART MADE WITH DIFFERENT MATERIALS

2ND EDITION

4TH AND 5TH OCTOBER 2012

VATICAN MUSEUMS - CONFERENCE HALL

EARTH

ETHNOGRAPHIC HERITAGE
KNOWING EARTH AS MATERIAL,
CONSERVING CULTURAL IDENTITIES,
SHARING RESPONSIBILITY FOR HERITAGE

The Conference is organised by the Ethnological Materials Laboratory of the Vatican Museums.

The aim of the Conference is to share experiences of Conservation, emphasizing the importance of using Ethnographic Heritage as a tool for the Promotion and Valorisation of local cultural Identities, and to improve intercultural exchange.
PROGRAMME

The programme was last updated on 21 September 2012, and is subject to modification.

FIRST DAY – 4TH OCTOBER 2012

KNOWLEDGE AND DEEPER STUDY OF THE MATERIAL EARTH THROUGH ETHNOGRAPHICAL COLLECTIONS

8 a.m. / 9 a.m.

REGISTRATION

9 a.m. / 10 a.m.

OPENING

- His Eminence Giuseppe Cardinal Bertello, President of the Governorate of Vatican City State
- Prof. Antonio Paolucci, Director of the Vatican Museums
- Prof. Arnold Nesselrath, Delegate for the Scientific Department and Laboratories of the Vatican Museums
- Fr. Nicola Mapelli, Curator of the Ethnological Collections of the Vatican Museums

PRESENTATION AND INTRODUCTION TO WORKSHOP

Stefania Pandozy, Head of the Ethnological Materials Laboratory of the Vatican Museums
Alberto Garlandini, President of ICOM Italy
Lorenzo Appolonia, President of Italian Group of IIC (IG-IIC)

10 a.m. / 1.15 p.m.

1ST SESSION  Getting to know the material earth:
The characteristics of earth in the ethnographical collections. Basic research on conservation and restoration, conservation projects
Chair: Gisella Capponi, Rosalia Varoli Piazza

10 a.m. / 10.30 a.m.

From the Earth to the Sky, from Material to Sign: ancestral techniques in Shipibo ceramics from Peruvian Amazonia
Fortunatina Cuozzo, restorer, Ethnological Materials Laboratory, Vatican Museums
Fabio Morresi, assistant, Diagnostics Laboratory for Conservation and Restoration, Vatican Museums

10.30 a.m. / 11 a.m.

The Conservation of African Heritage and the communication network: EPA project
Aimé Gonçalves, lecturer, African Heritage Conservation School, EPA

11 a.m. / 11.15 a.m.

Coffee break
11.15 a.m. / 11.45 a.m.  
**Huaca de la Luna Project, Huacas Moches, Peru**  
*Ricardo Morales Gamarra, director of the Huaca de la Luna project*

11.45 a.m. / 12.15 p.m.  
**Clay Buddhist sculptures in Central Asia: conservation and restoration problems**  
*Mónica López Prat, CEPAP—UAB (Centre d’Estudis del Patrimoni Arqueològic de la Prehistòria—Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)*

12.15 p.m. / 12.45 p.m.  
**Contemporary artists using raw clay in their work: conservation problems**  
*Antonio Rava, lecturer, La Venaria Reale Centre for Conservation and Restoration*

12.45 p.m. / 1.15 p.m.  
**Conservation at Lambytieco, Mexico: the challenges of earthen architecture**  
*Nelly Robles García, National Coordinator for Archaeology, INAH, Mexico*

1.15 p.m. / 2.30 p.m.  
*Lunch*

2.30 p.m. / 6 p.m.  
**2ND SESSION  Scientific research activity:**  
*Technological innovations, the relationship between science and conservation*  
*Chair: Alison Heritage, Mauro Matteini*

2.30 p.m. / 3 p.m.  
**Materials for the Conservation and Restoration of earthen objects: synthetic vs natural materials**  
*Lilia Rivero Weber, National Coordinator for the Conservation of Cultural Heritage, INAH, Mexico*

3 p.m. / 3.30 p.m.  
**Mali: conservation intervention on Mosques made of earth**  
*Guy Devreux, Director of the Vatican Museums Restoration Laboratory for Stone Artefacts*  
*Josephine D’Ilario, restorer*

3.30 p.m. / 4 p.m.  
**The relationship between science and conservation**  
*Antonio Iaccarino Idelson, Equilibrarte, lecturer, University of Urbino, Italy*

4 p.m. / 4.30 p.m.  
**Conservation and display of a raw earth monumental complex in the Turkish Upper Euphrates: palace the 4th millennium at Arslantepe, Malatya**  
*Marcella Frangipane, lecturer, Department of Science of Antiquity, University of Rome “Sapienza”*  
*Giuseppina M. Fazio, restorer, Higher Institute for Conservation and Restoration, Rome*

4.30 p.m. / 4.45 p.m.  
*Coffee break*
4.45 p.m. / 5.15 p.m.

**Earth: from knowledge to use**

*Ulderico Santamaria, Director of Diagnostics Laboratory for Conservation and Restoration, Vatican Museums*

5.15 p.m. / 5.30 p.m.

**POSTER SESSION directed by Lorenzo Appolonia**

5.30 p.m. / 6 p.m.

**CONCLUSIONS AND DISCUSSIONS**

SECOND DAY – 5TH OCTOBER 2012

**RESPONSIBILITY AND HERITAGE**

9 a.m. / 12.45 a.m.

**3RD SESSION Communication:**

*Sharing Responsibility for Heritage*

*Chair: Giorgio Bonsanti, Maurizio Iaccarino*

9 a.m. / 9.20 a.m.

**Disaster risk management strategies in the activity of UNESCO and their implications in relation to different cultures**

*Cristina Menegazzi, Programme Specialist, UNESCO*

9.20 a.m. / 9.40 a.m.

**New conservation strategies for the Ethnological Collections of Vatican Museums**

*Vittoria Cimino, Director of the Conservator’s Office, Vatican Museums*

9.40 a.m. / 10 a.m.

**Ethnographic Objects: Polymaterial and Polycultural**

*Christian Feest, lecturer, University of Vienna, Austria*

10 a.m. / 10.20 a.m.

**No Profit Life Beyond Tourism® Portal: Heritage and Contemporary Culture in the Service of Intercultural Dialogue and Territorial Development**

*Carlotta Del Bianco, Vice-president, Romualdo Del Bianco Foundation*

10.20 a.m. / 10.40 a.m.

*Coffee break*

10.40 a.m. / 11.00 a.m.

**Yaodong – Tulou 窖洞 - 土楼**

**Models of habitation in Chinese earth**

*Nadia Fiussello, collaborator, Far East section of the Ethnological Collections, Vatican Museums*

11.00 a.m. / 11.20 a.m.

**Chemical fingerprintings of ochre from different geographical sources**

*Andrew Durham, Director of Artlab, Australia*

11.20 a.m. / 11.40 p.m.
Award of the *Sharing Conservation 1* Study Grant
Proposal for a temporary itinerant exhibition of a limited selection of models of habitation made of earth and vegetable fibres, in several institutions
Internship proposal with intensive professional exchanges.

11.40 p.m. / 12.45 p.m.

CONCLUSIONS OF THE TWO STUDY DAYS