

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM
Safety in Heritage
Madrid, 7th, 8th and 9th of May 2019

CALL FOR PAPERS

SYMPOSIUM OBJECTIVES

The EKABA Foundation (the Kalam Space for Fine Arts) hosts an **International Scientific Symposium on Safety in Heritage**, which will take place in Círculo de Bellas Artes on the 7th, 8th and 9th of May 2019, and will have as speakers prestigious architects and theorists in the field of heritage intervention.

The aim of the Symposium is to start an international debate regarding **safety in cultural assets**, paying special attention to visitors. In this way, specific challenges that go beyond the safety requirements in construction and public spaces shall be considered, as safety must be paired with the protection of the asset's values, as well as accounting for the risks associated with the tourist and cultural use of the heritage such as the lack of familiarity with the setting on the part of visitors, the access to areas that are usually restricted, or the implementation of occasional or provisional uses with large-scale occupation, as well as the asset's maintenance.

2018 has been declared the **European Year of Cultural Heritage** so it is a beautiful opportunity to host this Symposium, that:

- **Creates a space for interdisciplinary and international conversation and debate**, by gathering academia, and the institutional, professional, and corporate worlds.
- Provides a global forum in which to debate and agree on an International Declaration, the **Círculo Declaration**, to set the action criteria in cultural heritage guaranteeing the safety of people and minimizing risks for the heritage asset.
- **Raises awareness in society** of the need to foster the safety of heritage that threatens and is threatened, and to disseminate the International Declaration among professionals, national and international administrations and institutions, researchers and the public opinion.

The Symposium has a length of three days, corresponding to three different themes, on which **eleven guest speakers** will present as well as **nine papers** selected from the call for papers. The program is completed with **three tables for debate and conclusions**, which will take place at the end of each day, in addition to the **inaugural and closing conferences**, as well as the approval and reading of the **Círculo Declaration**, with which the Symposium will end.

The updated program is to be consulted at the Symposium webpage: www.safetyinheritage.com.

Simultaneous interpretation in Spanish and English will be available during the Symposium.

THEMATIC AREAS

Thematic Area 1 – 7th of May 2019

“Recovering the value of the site by providing safety“

President of the Table: Juan Miguel Hernández de León

Thematic day 1 will center on the definition of the concept of safety, its scope and its complexity when applying it to heritage, as well as the proposed criteria for intervention in heritage that stem from safety requirements.

Thematic Area 2 – 8th of May 2019

“Rehabilitation techniques and processes to improve safety“

President of the Table: Fernando Espinosa de los Monteros

Thematic day two analyzes the most frequent risks generated in cultural heritage and its causes, as well as innovative solutions, both in construction as well as relative to the management of the asset, to improve safety for heritage, its users, and visitors.

Thematic Area 3 – 9th of May 2019

“Legal aspects and safety policies“

President of the Table: Alfonso Muñoz Cosme

Thematic day 3 looks at aspects relative to the current legislation and its shortcomings, as well as proposals to develop and improve on the legislation, the role of Public Administrations and the corporate world in terms of heritage safety.

CÍRCULO DECLARATION: INTERVENTION CRITERIA FOR SAFETY IN CULTURAL HERITAGE

The Círculo Declaration aims to establish a series of criteria related to safety in cultural heritage that will serve as a foundation for the management and intervention in cultural goods as well as for the necessary adaptation and development of legislation.

The Scientific Committee, formed by renowned international experts, will agree on the initial draft of the Declaration, and it will be subsequently debated by the participants of the Symposium. The final draft, which will include the modifications agreed upon by consensus in the event, shall be approved and read in the closing ceremony.

PAPER PRESENTATION AND SELECTION

A **scientific paper** is the chosen format for papers, and texts are to be written in the official Symposium languages: **Spanish or English**.

The selection will be conducted based on a summary with a **maximum of 2.000 characters**, including spaces, in Spanish or English, including three keywords. The summary is to be sent as a Word file, including in the name of the file the thematic field, the name and surname of the first author, and the title of the paper, with the following structure: T1-Surname-Name-Title. It is to be sent to **info@safetyinheritage.com** before the **15th of December 2018**.

Acceptance will be notified to authors by the **15th of January 2019**, indicating the format chosen for the presentation of the final paper.

The full text of the selected papers will have a maximum of **3.000 words** and is to be sent to **info@safetyinheritage.com** before the **31st of March 2019**.

The Scientific Committee will select a maximum of twenty papers to be published in the Minute Book, from which nine will also be presented by the authors at the Symposium.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS

Instructions for the presentation of the selected scientific articles will be sent to the authors and will be found in the Symposium webpage: www.safetyinheritage.com.

MINUTE BOOK

The Minutes Book will include the conclusions of the Symposium, as well as the selected papers, in addition to the presentations, conclusions of the debates and the Círculo Declaration.

INSCRIPCIONS

Attendance to the Symposium is free of charge and includes access to all scheduled activities, as well as general documentation.

Registration opens the **15th of January 2019** and closes the **14th of April 2019**.

Inscription should be made following the instructions at the Symposium webpage: www.safetyinheritage.com.

VENUE

The Symposium will be held entirely at the **Círculo de Bellas Artes**, located on calle Alcalá, nº 42, Madrid.

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