

MINUTES of the ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the International Association “Prehistoric Rock Art Trails”

Trigueros (Huelva, Spain), 17th November 2017

Taking advantage of the kind invitation of the City Council of Trigueros, and coinciding with the II Conference of Heritage of Trigueros (International Congress on Rock Art), the Cultural Route of the Council of Europe PRAT-CARP celebrates in that town its Annual General Assembly 2017.

The assembly is hosted in the Civic Center "Convento del Carmen" (Plaza del Carmen, 3 -21620 Trigueros, Huelva, Andalusia-Spain).

ATTENDEES:

- **Mr Pedro Gómez Ruiz. President of RED CÁNTABRA DE DESARROLLO RURAL and President of PRAT-CARP Association.**
- Mr Fernando Isasi Vitoria. Manager of RED CÁNTABRA DE DESARROLLO RURAL (RCDR) and manager of PRAT-CARP Association.
- **Mr Alfredo Prada, on behalf of MUSEO NACIONAL Y CENTRO DE INVESTIGACIÓN DE ALTAMIRA.**
- **Mr Hipólito Collado Giraldo, on behalf of JUNTA DE EXTREMADURA.**
- **Ms Ana Manrique Morales, on behalf of ASOC. PROMOCIÓN Y DESARROLLO DE LOS VALLES PASIEGOS**
- **Ms Valérie Coustillas, on behalf of CONSEIL DEPARTAMENTAL DE LA DORDOGNE.**
- **Ms Sara Garcés, on behalf of CÁMARA MUNICIPAL DE MAÇÃO, PT.**
- **Mr Juan Carlos Rebollo, on behalf of ASOCIACIÓN PARA EL DESARROLLO DE LA COMARCA DE CIUDAD RODRIGO, ADECOCIR.**
- Ms Ketty Ratero Morán. ADECOCIR.
- **Mr Arturo Pérez Plaza, on behalf of Dña. Rosa Aguilar Rivero (Counselor of CONSEJERÍA DE CULTURA Y DEPORTE DE ANDALUCÍA, ES)**
- **Ms Carmen Fernández del Río, on behalf of GRUPO DE ACCIÓN LOCAL SAJA-NANSA.**
- **Mr Paata Dolidze, on behalf of National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation of Georgia**
- Mr Nikoloz Jibuti, National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation of Georgia
- **Ms Malahat Farajova, on behalf of Qala Reserve – Icherisheher (Azerbaijón)**

- Mr Rahman Abdullayev, on behalf of Gobustan National Historical Artistic Preserve.

- Mr Arturo Colina Aguirre, on behalf of ASOCIACIÓN PARA EL DESARROLLO RURAL DE LA RIOJA SURORIENTAL

- Ms Esther Rubio Jiménez, ASOCIACIÓN PARA EL DESARROLLO RURAL DE LA RIOJA SURORIENTAL

- Mr Ramón Montes Barquín. Technical Coordinator of I.A. PRAT, with delegation of vote from CONSORCIO 3 REYES (Morella – Tortosa – Alcañiz)

Fourteen, of the thirty-four entities registered in the association, are represented, at the date of the assembly (41.17 %)

There being no quorum in the first call (8:30 hours), the assembly begins in second call, at 9:30 am. In compliance with the statutes of the association:

ARTICLE 18 – The Assembly will be formed validly in the first place with the attendance of half of the members with full voting rights plus one, and in the second place with whatever the number of members with the said right. The second round will be held at least one hour after the first and in the same place.

AGENDA:

1. Constitution of president's table.
2. Lecture and approval of the previous minutes, dated 18/11/2016.
3. Report of President: Report of activities 2017 (presented by the Technical coordinator); Economic Report 2017 (presented by the Manager of the Technic Unit)
4. Activities Proposal for 2018. The new certification and label "European Rock Art Heritage" for the sites of the network PRAT-CARP.
5. Economic Proposal for 2018 (estimate of revenue and expenses) Presentation and approval.
6. Requests and questions.

1. The presidential table is set up with the presence of Mr. Pedro Gómez, in his capacity as Chairman, Mr. Juan Carlos Rebollo, in his capacity as representative of the Secretary (Mr. Juan Ignacio Canuto, Chairman of ADECOCIR), Mr. Fernando Isasi, as manager and D. Ramón Montes, as technical coordinator.

2. It proceed to the reading and approval, unanimously, of the minute of the previous Extraordinary General Assembly, held in Villacarriedo (Cantabria, Spain), on November 18th, 2016.

3. The president give the welcome to all the attendees and thanking the Trigueros Town Council for its hospitality and the facilities provided for the organization of the assembly, including the simultaneous translation EN-ESP-EN that it is available for the representatives of the partner institutions.

Secondly, the president reminds that, on this day, the International Association PRAT-CARP was founded in 2007. We celebrate, therefore, the X^o Anniversary of the founding of the PRAT-CARP

International Association, whose constitution was given in the Ministry of Culture of Spain (Madrid), dated 2007 NOVEMBER 19th.

Pedro Gómez reviews the history of the association, from its predecessor (the REPPARP project, the Interreg IIIB Sudoe Program -with 8 partners-), its foundation with 12 entities from Portugal, Spain and France, the moment when the Mention "Cultural Route of the Council of Europe" was obtained, in May 2010 (with 15 partners from 5 countries), to the current moment, in which 34 institutions (from 6 countries) are part of the partnership of the PRAT association.

The president acknowledges to the presidents and members of the previous boards of directors, with special mention to Ángel Sainz Ruiz (president between 2007 and 2012) and Jesús Celada (president between 2012 and 2016).

Ana Manrique, who was manager of the association between 2007 and 2017 (also of the REPPARP project, between 2004 and 2007), makes an emotional and very positive assessment of these 10 years of the association, reviewing the strong spirit of cooperation that has led to all partners up to the present, having tripled the number of associated entities and doubled the number of countries represented.

After these special moments, the reports of the Presidency, 2017 activity (technical) and 2017 economic reports are presented by Ramón Montes and Fernando Isasi, respectively. The reports are approved unanimously by those present. Both reports are incorporated as annexes to this document.

In the section of the economic report, the manager exposes the need that all members pay their fees as soon as possible, once the corresponding letters of payment have been received. This question is important for the Technical Unit in order to avoid the frequent economic problems that are usually caused by delays from the part of most of the partners in the payment process. This has meant that the Cantabrian Network of Rural Development (RCDR) has not been able to receive the 10,000 euros per year that it has earmarked as payment for its management for the Cultural Route, including the headquarters of the CARP association, in the last 2 years. The RCDR has had to assign this money to pay the payroll of the technical coordinator, who, otherwise, would not have received their salaries in the last months of end of each year, 2016 and 2017.

It is also noted that some partners begin to accumulate debts of 2 years, which is unacceptable. It is approved that the Technical Unit proceed to claim these arrears with a warning that, if the defaults are not resolved, in the following assembly they may be expelled, in compliance with the article number 12 of the statutes:

ARTICLE 12 – LOSS OF THE CONDITION OF MEMBER: *The condition of Member will be lost:*

- *Voluntarily, by a written communication to the Committee*
- *Death in the case of an individual member or the dissolution of a collective member*
- *Failure to fulfil the statutory obligations*
- ***Failure to pay the periodical subscriptions during at least two consecutive periods.***

4. The plan of activities foreseen for 2018 is presented. The idea is to continue working in two directions:

On the one hand, the maximum visibility for the Cultural Route with the minimum economic investment (for which all the partners must collaborate to associate the logo and the name of the PRAT-CARP CR with their events). The obligation to use the logo of the Council of Europe in publications and websites of the partners and their destinations is also remembered.

On the other hand, to continue working on the presentation of projects to European Calls to obtain funds for joint projects. Three European Calls are adapted to the possibilities of our partnership in 2018: Interreg Atlantic Area, COSME and Europe with Citizens. It is approved to submit proposals to these 3 programs.

5. Fernando Isasi introduces the economic (expenses / income) proposal for 2018, which is approved unanimously. It is recalled again in the need to pay the fees as soon as possible, once the request for payment has been received.

EXPENSES PPROVED FOR 2018	
Concepts	Expected EUR
Technical coordination	20,000.00
Technic assistant office RCDR	10,000.00
Travel / accomodation expenses	5,000.00
Translations	850.00
Labor, accounting and tax advice	1,000.00
Banking commissions	100.00
Fees and taxes	50.00
TOTAL	37,000.00

EXPECTED INCOMES FOR 2018	
Concepts	Expected EUR
ANNUAL FEES PARTNERS	34,800.00
ADHESION FEES NEW PARTNERS	3,000.00
OTHER INCOMES	2,500.00
TOTAL	40,300.00

It is introduced also the technical, administrative and economic documentation forwarded to the Council of Europe (in September), regarding the renewal of the Mention "Cultural Route of the Council of Europe" (regular evaluation of the period 2014-2017)

6. In requests and questions, Hipólito Collado (representative of Junta de Extremadura) exposes the need to update the Cultural Route WEB (www.prehistour.eu), especially the contents of the rock art destinations, many of which have been outdated.

The representatives of the partners that are Rural Development entities defend together the need to promote the incorporation of this type of institutions (that are working directly in rural territories), and they propose that a meeting of this type of associations be held, in order to develop synergies

between the Rural Development entities that possess in their territories rock destinations that can be activated or promoted.

The Technical Unit takes note and undertakes to provide to the partners which ask for it the access codes to the web in order to they can update their contents. Likewise, the Technic Unit will start an updated process of the website.

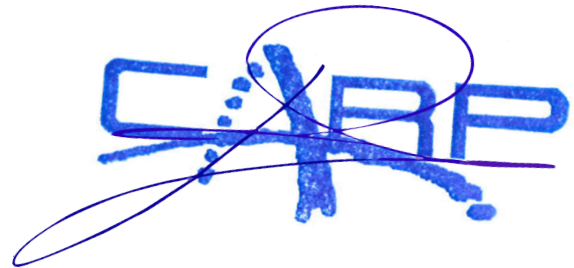
Likewise, it is stated that there is an idea, in collaboration with the Spanish Rural Development Network, to organize a meeting of Rural Development organizations (groups and networks) interested in rock art, promoting the possibility of promoting cooperation projects such as PREIBER ([http : //www.prehistour.eu/encuentrorupestre/](http://www.prehistour.eu/encuentrorupestre/)) and GESTAR (<http://valledealcudia.net/alcudia/images/pdf/documento%20resumen%20gestar.pdf>), such good results have been produced in recent years.

And without other topic to discuss, the assembly is considered finished at 10:55 a.m.

Trigueros, 17/11/2017



D. Juan Carlos Rebollo.
Secretary of Asoc. PRAT-CARP
(on the behalf of the president of ADECOCIR)



D. Pedro Gómez Ruiz
President Asoc. PRAT-CARP