



MoHoA Modern Heritage of Africa

**Modern Heritage of Africa Expert Meeting
April 26th and May 3rd, 2021
University of Cape Town, South Africa**

Drafting the Cape Town Document on Modern Heritage

Modern heritage remains vital to our present and future and yet is unevenly researched, appreciated and protected around the planet. Nowhere is this more conspicuous than in Africa, where there remains a serious oversight of the legacies (positive, negative, tangible or intangible) of modernity that transformed the continent over past centuries, and which remain deeply entwined in the challenges it faces in the future. However, the concept of modern heritage remains contested across different territories and disciplines. How might we galvanise efforts to conceptualise modern heritage so that it more equitably reflects the experiences of modernity globally, encouraging greater appreciation at all scales, from local communities to higher rates of inscription on the UNESCO World Heritage List? This demands a reframing of modern heritage from being cast as ‘sites, groups of building, or monuments’ confined to the 20th century and national contexts to being treated instead as part of complex systems and rural and urban landscapes¹ born out of longstanding cultural, historical, local and global interconnections.

The purpose of this multi-disciplinary Expert Meeting is to build on the momentum of the decolonisation agenda and to provide a platform for debate among academics and practitioners on the meaning of ‘Modern Heritage of Africa’ and its role in promoting cultural, ecological, urban, and other forms of sustainability. This will contribute to the draft *Cape Town Document on Modern Heritage* to lobby policy makers and UNESCO and reframe this heritage category so that it more thoroughly and fairly reflects the experiences of modernity globally. The document must be succinct and yet comprehensive, addressing

¹ Embodied research in emergent Anthropocene landscapes, Nick Shepherd, Christian Ernssten, Dirk Jan Visser, University of Cape Town

conceptual issues and definitions of modernity from different epistemologies and the African viewpoint. This will include issues of nature and culture, referencing the UN Sustainable Development Goals and specifically target 11.4, Agenda 2063, tangible and intangible, infrastructures as activators of modernism, public spaces, memorialization and commemoration in postcolonial Africa, and Modern Heritage of Africa and the World Heritage Convention. A concluding statement will also address the way forward and its global relevance.

The draft *Cape Town Document* will be produced from the Expert Meeting and will continue to be workshopped at different forums before being debated further in 2022 and presented to UNESCO.

AGENDA

26th April 2021

Organiser	African World Heritage Fund (AWHF), Heritage Hub, University of Cape Town (UCT), Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL & UNESCO World Heritage Centre
Time	19 April 2021 (10:00 – 16:00) Johannesburg Time
10:00 – 10:05	Welcome by Program Director Professor Shadreck Chirikure, University of Cape Town
10:05 – 10:35	Opening remarks Mr Souayibou Varissou, Executive Director - African World Heritage Fund (AWHF) Dr Mechtild Rossler, Director – UNESCO World Heritage Centre Prof. Maano Ramutsindela, Dean of Science - University of Cape Town (UCT)
10:35 – 11:05	Keynote Presentation Professor Achille Mbembe, University of the Witwatersrand & Cameroon
11:05 – 11:20	Modern Heritage of Africa – Conceptual Framework & Cape Town Document on Modern Heritage of Africa Dr Albino Jopela - African World Heritage Fund (AWHF) & Professor Edward Denison, The Bartlett School, University College London, UK
11: 20 - 12-00	Discussion Concept of Modern Heritage of Africa - opening Facilitated by Professor Shahid Vawda, University of Cape Town & Dr Ishanlosen Odiaua, Vice-President of ICOMOS-Nigeria Rapporteurs: 1,2,3 – Bedone Mugabe; 4,5,6 – Robert Nyamushosho <i>1. Definition and concepts of modern heritage of Africa</i>
12.00 – 13.00	Lunch

13.00 – 15:30	Discussion Concept of Modern Heritage of Africa - continuing Facilitated by Dr Ishanlosen Odiaua, Vice-President of ICOMOS-Nigeria & Professor Shahid Vawda, University of Cape Town 2. <i>Typology and range of modern heritage of Africa from an inter-disciplinary perspective</i> 3. <i>Nature and culture in modern heritage of Africa</i> 4. <i>Intangible and tangible elements</i> 5. <i>Modern Heritage of Africa and sustainability</i> 6. <i>Modern Heritage of Africa and the World Heritage Convention</i>
15:30 – 16:00	Chair: Edward Keynote Address Professor Dipesh Chakrabarty, University of Chicago, Illinois
16:00 – 16:30	Summary of key issues to inform the Draft Cape Town Document Prof Shadreck Chirikure, University of Cape Town

INTERVENING PERIOD

Organiser	African World Heritage Fund (AWHF), Heritage Hub, University of Cape Town (UCT), Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL & UNESCO World Heritage Centre
Time	Between Tuesday 27th April 2021 and Sunday 2nd May 2021
Activities	- Drafting Group for Cape Town Document – Edward Denison, Shadreck Chirikure, Jyoti Hosagrahar & Mohammad Juma, Shahid Vawda, Ishanlosen Odiaua, Albino Jopela & Roxanne, Robert Nyamushosho & Bedone Mugabe

3rd of May 2021

Organiser	African World Heritage Fund (AWHF), Heritage Hub, University of Cape Town (UCT), Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL & UNESCO World Heritage Centre
Time	Monday 3rd May 2021 (15:30 – 18:00) South Africa Time
15:30 – 15:30	Discussion of Draft Document (Shadreck Chirikure and Edward Denison)
17:30 – 17:50	The way forward Next hub meetings + GCI; UCT Conference; UNESCO/WH Dr Albino Jopela, African World Heritage Fund (AWHF)
17:50 – 18:00	Closing remarks Dr Webber Ndoro, Director-General of ICCROM, on behalf of Advisory Bodies Dr Hamida Rhouma, Member of the Board of Trustees – African World Heritage Fund

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