

RESOLUTIONS

of the International Conference

“THE FUTURE OF THE STRUVE GEODETIC ARC”

in Chisinau, Moldova, September 27 – 29, 2004

The delegates of the ten countries of the Struve Geodetic Arc, i.e. Norway, Sweden, Finland, Russian Federation, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Belarus, Republic of Moldova and Ukraine, present in the Conference, adopted the following resolutions.

Resolution No. 1

The Delegates of the ten countries of the Arc

recognising that the Governments of the ten countries of the Struve Geodetic Arc have together submitted the “Nomination of Struve Geodetic Arc for Inscription on the World Heritage List” to the World Heritage Centre on 28. January 2004,

look forward to continue the cooperation for the benefit and success of the Nomination,

state to send the Resolutions of the Conference to World Heritage Centre and to ICOMOS for their information.

Resolution No. 2

The Delegates of the ten countries of the Arc

noting the “Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention”,

recognising the importance and the need of joint and common management mechanism of the ten countries, the delegates agreed on the text and procedures for “Management Mechanism” which will give the rules for joint management and guide practical actions in each country,

ask all ministries or agencies concerned to nominate before December 31, 2004 their representatives to the “Coordinating Committee” mentioned in the “Management Mechanism” - document,

voted Finland to act as Chair of the Coordinating Committee and Estonia, Republic of Moldova and Russian Federation to be the other members of the Bureau.

Resolution No. 3

The Delegates of the ten countries of the Arc

recognising the importance of the promotion of the Arc for the public and visitors, and the need for a national contact centre or contact point in each country,

ask each country concerned to make detailed plans to encourage the publicity of the Struve Geodetic Arc sites in their country.

Resolution No. 4

The Delegates of the ten countries of the Arc

recognising “Guidelines and Principles for the Use of the World Heritage Emblem” in Annex 3 of “Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of the World Heritage Convention”,

noting the need for a unique use of Emblem and similar practice to set information boards close to the Arc sites,

endorse the principal rules for setting official and informational boards close to Arc sites

Resolution No. 5

The Delegates of the ten countries of the Arc

welcome the proposal of the Delegation of Finland to host the Meeting of the year 2005 in Finland.

Resolution No. 6

The Delegates of the ten countries of the Arc

recognising all the preparatory work for the Nomination done by the International Institution for the History of Surveying and Measurement, A Permanent Institution within the International Federation of Surveyors,

express their sincere thanks to the personnel of the Institution, Jan de Graeve, Jim Smith and Vitali Kaptjug.

Resolution No. 7

The Delegates of the ten countries of the Arc

which held their third Conference in Chisinau, in September 27 –29, 2004,

thank the organizers for the interesting visit to the Moldavian Struve Geodetic Arc site “Rudy”, which will hopefully be in the near future the very first site inscribed to the World Heritage List in the Republic of Moldova.

express their heartfelt thanks to the Local Organizing Committee, its Chairman Stefan Crigan and members Maria Ovdii and Valeriu Filenco, from The State Agency for Land Relations and Cadastre and Institute for Geodesy, Technical Research and Cadastre “INGEOCAD”, for organising the Conference and for the excellent arrangements resulting in a very successful meeting.