

Second Newsletter, 11-2016 "OUR CULTURAL HERITAGE, THE KEY TO ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY"

ICNT 2017, September 11-15

Welcome to the second newsletter for the 17th International Conference of National Trusts (ICNT 2017). In this newsletter, we provide you with an introduction to Bali and the Gianyar Regency. We are also excited to share exclusive previews of keynote speaker candidates, venues and post conference optional tours.

ICNT 2017 offers a platform to share experiences, both scientific and practical, on conservation towards a sustainable environment. The conference expects to bring together 200 + delegates active in the heritage field across the world. Together, we will explore the connection between our cultural traditions and concerns for sustainable development.

Content

"Om Swastyastu" - Welcome to Balí About the Gíanyar Regency Remark from the Gíanyar Regent Keynote speaker candidates Venue profiles Accommodation Post conference optional tours Visa & other travel documents Call for abstracts



"Om Swastyastu" - Welcome to Bali

The Balinese way of greeting, expressed by covering the hand across the chest, translates from Sanskrit as "I hope all good comes from all directions". Expressed in the hope to meet in good spirit and to establish harmonious relationships, it captures the Balinese way of living as well mirrors the spirit of ICNT 2017.

Situated between the bustling island of Java and slower paced Lombok, Bali is as much part of the Indonesian archipelago as it has created a world of its own. At the heart of Balinese culture we find the practice of Tri Hita Karana, a Hindu philosophy to live in harmony with the natural world, community and spirit. The beautiful tropical island of Bali has been inhabited by centuries of remarkably artists and craftsmen who have created a dynamic society with unique arts, traditions and ceremonies.

About the Gianyar Regency

Gianyar is a regency (kabupaten) and one of the historic kingdoms in Bali. While the town Gianyar is the regency's administrative capital, Ubud is the regency's cultural capital and most populous town.

The regency of Gianyar stretches from the southern undeveloped coastline into the cool, fresh hills and mountains to a point over 800 meters above sea level. Rivers run from the Gunung Batur crater's lake through the valleys, hills, and terraced fields. There are 12 rivers flowing across the area of Gianyar Regency, which are mostly utilized for rice field irrigation systems called subaks, of which 580 can be found in the Gianyar Regency.

Gianyar is the heartland of Bali's crafts production, where the weaving, plaiting, and wood-andstone carving industries are major employers. Ubud is famous as a painter's village and art market and hosts many cultural events. Celuk is the center of gold and silver handicrafts, while Goa Gajah is the historic acculturation site between Hinduism and Buddhism.



Remark from the Gianyar Regent

"Gianyar is honored to support INTO and BPPI as the host for the next ICNT 2017. We very much hope that it will draw on the local wisdom and traditions of the various countries involved and provides both inspiration and long-term solutions for the challenge of climate change and the safeguarding of our natural environment."

Keynote Speaker Candidates



Invitation letters have been sent to the following keynote speaker candidates:

- 1. Gopal Gandhi (grandson of Mahatma Gandhi)
- 2. Irina Bokova (DG UNESCO)
- 3. Helen Clark (former PM of New Zealand)
- 4. Kristalina Georgieva (European Commissioner for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response),
- 5. Thant Myint-U (Chairman of Yangon Heritage Trust and grandson of U-Thant, the former Sec. Gen. of UN),
- 6. Stephanie Meeks (Vice President and CEO of NTHP)
- 7. Prof. Laurajane Smith (Head of School of Archaeology and Anthropology, Head of Centre for Heritage and Museum Studies, The Australian National University)
- 8. Franklin Vagnone (President of Twisted Preservation Cultural Consulting, New York)
- 9. Denis Ricard (Secretary General of Organization of World Heritage Cities, Canada)
- 10. Joko Widodo (President of Republic of Indonesia)
- 11. Siti Nurbaya Bakar (Minister of Environment and Forestry, Indonesia)
- 12. Muhadjir Effendy (Minister of Education and Culture, Indonesia)
- 13. I Gede Ardika (Chairman of Board of Experts, BPPI-Indonesian Heritage Trust)

Venue Profiles

In the coming newsletters, we will introduce you to ICNT 2017's conference locations. The venues of ICNT 2017 include The Republic of Indonesia Palace of Tampaksiring, the Royal Palace of Gianyar and Galleries and Art Space to the old traditional village of Samuan Tiga. The village of Nyuh Kuning is the center of the participant' accomodation. The stars hotels to modest homestay of villagers are located in this "international village" and its surroundings. The venue for 11th September Welcoming Dinner will be Panchoran Estate, which is also located in the village of Nyuh Kuning.



Nyuh Kuning Village

Banjar Nyuh Kuning, Ubud, Kec. Gianyar, Bali

Nyuh Kuning ("yellow coconut" in Balinese) is a small village of roughly 800 residents located south of the Sacred Monkey Forest in Ubud. Once a village of wood carvers known for their animal figurines, Nyuh Kuning–much like Ubud and much of Bali–has been impacted by the tourist industry. Increasing numbers of guest houses and hotels dot the village, as well as a small selection of shops and restaurants. Nyuh Kuning stands out as an integrated, pedestrian-friendly village. It's clean, bright, orderly, and colourful without the signature aroma of burning garbage. Nyuh Kuning's popularity skyrocketed in 2009, when Julia Roberts came through town to film "Eat, Pray, Love". It's also home to Yayasan Bumi Sehat Clinic, a prenatal care and birthing clinic founded by Robin Lim, winner of CNN's 2011 Hero Of The Year Award. Though the village consists of only two streets that converge at the football field and continue to the Monkey Forest, it is full of artisans, cultural and healing centers and ashrams. The soccer field is busy with a variety of activities: soccer, kite flying, community ceremonial preparations and even a Saturday morning baseball game headed-up by neighbourhood North American parents. There's Yellow Coco Creative Nest, a center for art and creativity, the Amrtasiddhi Ayurvedic and Yoga Health Center, Movement Matters, and notably for food, Coffee and Copper next to Monkey Forest. The community even has a facebook page to stay connected to local activities (FB: Nyuh Kuning Neighbors). Another lovely sight is the local elderly residents with yoga mats tucked under their arms heading either to exercise class or Laughter Yoga classes at the Ambarshram.

(Sources: Janet Nicol, a resident of Nyuh Kuning and many other sources)



Panchoran Estate (Rumah Panchoran)

Jl. Nyuh Bulan, Banjar Nyuh Kuning, Ubud, Kec. Gianyar, Bali

The location for Julia Robert's Holywood film was Panchoran Estate (Rumah Panchoran). It is situated on ten hectare of riverside land in the rolling hills of Nyuh Kuning Village. It is a place of tranquility and extraordinary beauty, set in lush vegetation along the gorge where a flowing river is formed into a waterfall. It was previously well known as the Estate of Linda Garland, an international designer and environmentalist. She turned this place into a bamboo retreat centre. Today the house is owned by the family of Hashim Djojohadikusumo, a prominent figure in Indonesia and Chairman of Board of Trustee of BPPI (Indonesian Heritage Trust).

Accommodation

Delegates have the opportunity to stay in accommodation in the area of Nyuh Kuning Village – Ubud, ranging from five star hotels to modest homestays in Balinese traditional houses belonging to local people. Breakfast is included for all types of accomodation.

To reserve any of the accommodations below, you may contact the committee of ICNT 2017 via info@bppi-indonesianheritagetrust.org.





Ubud Wana Resort

Hidden resort in the serene hamlet of Nyuh Kuning

This resort is located in Nyuh Kuning, a hamlet that still maintains the traditional roots of the Balinese Hindu community. Enveloped in the southern outskirts of the heart of bustling Ubud with hustle free traffic congestion, Ubud Wana Resort offers the perfect hide-away. While the resort offers all the high-end facilities to make your stay a comfortable one, it's design reflects modesty. Covered in green with rooftop gardens, it features intimate spacious rooms, three swimming pools, the Ahara spa, a restaurant, lounge and pool bar. The resort is located within an easy walking distance to Ubud Sacred Monkey Forest Sanctuary, which provides a shortcut walking access to Ubud downtown. For more information, visit the Ubud Wana Resort website.

A comfortable stay in the Ubud Wana Resort is offered to ICNT delegates for the special price of IDR 1,133,000 (USD 90) per night.



Balinese Homestay

Experience Bali like a local

For those who would like to experience the Balinese living tradition and daily activities, unique accomodation is offered in modest houses owned by villagers located in the heart of Nyuh Kuning, the center of ICNT 2017.

All homestays are equipped with wifi, private unique bedroom and bathroom. Room rates vary from of IDR 500,000 (USD 40) to IDR 700,000 (USD 55) per night.

Post Conference Optional Tours



1). Gianyar Subak - Rice & Temple Trail Subak, the spiritual key to Bali's unique landscape

The secret behind Gianyar's UNESCO listed temples and stunning rice terraces is the subak system in the area of Tampaksiring subdistrict. This indigenious and spiritual water management system is at the heart of Balinese society. Celebrating the Tri Hita Karana values: harmony between people, nature and god, the subak is fundamental to Bali's unique landscape and heritage. This route offers a new perspective to the rice fields, coffee plantations and traditional crafts and food for a deeper understanding of Balinese culture. Four packages of tours are prepared on 16th and 17th September 2017. The Indonesian Heritage Trust (BBPI) in collaboration with Urban Discovery based in Hong Kong proudly introduce <u>iDiscover City Walks</u> iBali. This smartphone application offers walks to explore authentic neighborhoods across Bali, discover hidden gems picked by passionate locals and wander with an easy-to-use offline map.



2). Nyuh Kuning – A Spiritual Awakening Charming eco-friendly village in the lush rice fields

Nyuh Kuning meaning 'yellow coconut' is a charming eco-friendly village with a genuine village vibe in the heart of Bali. The tranquil streets radiate an atmosphere of spirituality, creativity, and a tight-knit community. The frangipani lined streets of the picturesque village are lined with traditional homes, temples, yoga, meditation centres, ecoshops and organic café's.



3). Sanur Cycling - Beyond the Beach Laid back fishing village becomes creative hot spot

There is more to Sanur than just the beach. The quiet backstreets of the laid back village are home to a lovely local community that is proud of its strong spiritual history, lush lotus fields, vast mangrove forest and ancient fishing traditions that are still practiced today. And what's more, innovative local entrepreneurs are now infusing the rich local culture with a fresh creative vibe.



 4). Denpasar Heritage District – The soul of Bali Living heritage and royal palaces in the middle of the city

Discover Bali's soul in Denpasar's old town with its majestic royal palaces and temples. Experience how the Balinese proudly keep their cultural traditions alive in busy modern city life. Learn about flowers, fabrics and flavours needed for ceremonial celebrations wander around the surprisingly welcoming palace grounds in the middle of the city. Marvel at the ancient royal architecture and explore the little back lanes with hidden temples.

INFORMATION

Badan Pelestarian Pusaka Indonesia (BPPI)/ Indonesian Heritage Trust

Jl. Veteran I no. 27 Jakarta 10110 Indonesia
T/F: +62.21.3511127
E: info@bppi-indonesianheritagetrust.org /
bppi.indonesianheritagetrust@gmail.com
W: www.bppi-indonesianheritagetrust.org
www.into-icnt.org
FB: Bppi Heritage
Instagram: @indonesianheritagetrust
Twitter: @heritagepusaka
BPPI bank account:
Badan Pelestarian Pusaka Indonesia
Permata Bank, Jl. Sudirman Kav. 27 Jakarta 10110
No. 090 450 40 41 (Euro) / 070 162 16 62 (Rupiah)
Swift Code: BBBAIDJA

Contact Persons: Catrini Kubontubuh: catrini@bppi-indonesianheritagetrust.org, +62.87771977992 Putri Setyowati: putri@bppi-indonesianheritagetrust.org, +62.81212080907 Fluory Octarianti : fluorysadewa@gmail.com, +62.8111003222



The International National Trusts Organisation is a non-profit organisation formed by members of national trusts around the world in 2007 in New Delhi. Its headquarter is based in London and it registered as a limited company in England and Wales No. 06718966 and a Registered Charity No. 1128224. Its registered office is 20 Grosvenor Gardens, LONDON, SW1W 0DH, UK.

www.internationaltrusts.org.



The Indonesian Heritage Trust (BPPI/ Badan Pelestarian Pusaka Indonesia) is a non-profit organisation as a melting pot for heritage practitioners, advocates and heritage lovers from various background. BPPI was formed by members of local heritage organisations around Indonesia and academicians from various universities in 2004 in Jakarta. www.bppi-indonesianheritagetrust.org.



Gianyar is a regency in the Indonesian province and island of Bali. The history of Gianyar started in 1771. It is rich with ancient remains and famous for high creativity of its people in the field of art and culture, which is considered as one of invaluable asset of the region. www.gianyarkab.go.id