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New Perspectives for the Sustainable Conservation of Cultural Heritage

Message from the Guest Editors

In recent decades, bio-technological applications and a large range of conservation materials with multiple properties in terms of stability, setting, strength, adhesion and coating have been developed. Simultaneously, recommendations regarding environmental conservation, the performance of buildings and preventive conservation standards have developed in the last 30 years. Climate change is exerting a growing and lasting impact on our environment and society, and cultural heritage is not being spared. Methodologies and materials related to conversation that have a low impact on the environment and do not threaten health are in growing demand, in accordance with climate and environmental concerns, natural risks and subsequent tensions. Bio-sourced products, conservation protocols that employ recycled, recovered materials and waste reduction may become essential to conservation in a rapidly changing and increasingly global world. Moreover, an understanding of the impact of conservation practices and treatments on resources will enable the presentation of valuable insights into the maintenance of heritage over time.

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