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Sustainability Methodologies for the Conservation of Cultural Heritage: Highlights on the Most Relevant Standards

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A scientific approach is nowadays essential for the conservation of tangible cultural heritage and for the preservation of its significance for present and future generations. Only thanks to a sound scientific knowledge of the materials constituting the artefact and their environmental and conservation conditions it is possible to intervene properly for the realization of the conservation plan. Standards contribute to use sustainability methodologies for preservation of tangible cultural heritage. The widespread dissemination of the published standards is especially addressed to stakeholders of cultural heritage (monuments, buildings, museums, archives, libraries and collections) such as conservation scientists, conservator-restorers, architects, custodians, archaeologists, engineers, planners, craftsmen, energy advisers, national authorities, transport and insurance companies, etc.

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