

**Minutes from working group 3 meeting in Varna, Bulgaria, 10 sept. 2004.**

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- **Three new members**, Sakari Mentu, André de Naeyer and Josip Korošec were welcomed.
- WG 311. Sakari Mentu has completed the document. Kerstin will send it by mail to the participants
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- WG 312- WG 323. Discussion concerning how to estimate the loss of economical value after a fire, both in terms of building materials and cultural values. It is important to define the value of a building.
- Summary: The Document is sufficient with regards to economical values but the members who have not already done so, were asked to send in a summary of how they define the cultural value of buildings in their countries to Kerstin. It is also possible to tell if their definition is similar to already given definitions. Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Slovenia, France, Switzerland,

All were asked to read the documents and suggest **changes and additions before end september**. All agreed to that the intention must be to leave these documents as they are after that to get time really to work the rest of the issues through.

- WG 331. How to get in touch with insurance companies was discussed.
- Summary: Complete the document with facts about the overview situation from Belgium, Bulgaria, France, Norway, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland
- WG 332. Discussion about common problems. Insurance companies does not have access to any complete list of historical buildings which results in difficulties in estimating loss insurance. In Marseille, France, work has begun on drawing up a list of what historical properties are owned by the state/municipality.  
In Belgium the state support investments in fire protection through a system of subsidiaries.  
Summary: Complete the Document with information from contacts with insurance companies in Belgium, Bulgaria, Norway, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland.

WG 333. Our goal is to find out what should be best practice together with people from insurance companies

- WG 341. In Belgium they have started to calculate the costs of interventions in historic buildings relating to risk analysis.
- **Next meeting** will be in Paris 28-29:e October. We will deal with how to reach best practise in insurance of historic buildings in the future, risk analysis and loss recovery
- A good idea is to bring an insurance specialist to the meeting from as many countries as possible. Two persons can be reimbursed from each country. Give information about who will participate as early as possible.