

The [CVI Update](#) is the triannual newsletter for the Climate Vulnerability Index, describing activities addressing climate change impacts upon natural and cultural heritage. Interest in the CVI continues to expand both within World Heritage and for other heritage applications.



The **47th World Heritage Committee meeting** in Paris, France provided the opportunity for a wide range of briefings on and meetings about the CVI with international colleagues (including Dr Mechtild Rossler, former Director of the World Heritage Centre, pictured). Whilst many of these continued previous discussions, numerous new contacts were made.



Scott's attendance at the Committee meeting led into his **sabbatical period** in Paris, aligned with the activities of his UNESCO Chair role (see [Update #15](#)). For the remainder of 2025, Scott will be based in the UNESCO Local and Indigenous Knowledge Systems programme. This provides excellent opportunities to meet with States Parties and Advisory Bodies, as well as other interested groups.



The CVI was presented at the 2025 Annual Meeting of the **International Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management (ICAHM)** in San Pedro de Atacama, Chile in May. Interactions within the climate change session (in which the CVI was presented) and with other archaeology practitioners proved invaluable and have already led to further discussions for future CVI opportunities.



The [CVI report](#) for the [Wadden Sea](#) (a trinational property in northern Europe) has been published and the report for [iSimangaliso Wetland Park](#) (South Africa) is imminent. These geographically contrasting wetlands have contrasting communities associated with them, which was reflected in the assessments of Community Vulnerability. Partnerships with in-country organisations were critical to both reports.



The Getty Foundation recently announced a suite of new Fellowships within the [Getty Global Art and Sustainability Fellows program](#), with one to focus on the **development of training materials** for the CVI. Responding to global concern about climate threats and the need for practical solutions, the Fellowships involve 15 partner organisations across six continents. Application details available shortly.

For further information about the CVI (including contact details) go to: [cvi-heritage.org](http://cvi-heritage.org).

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