

## **Protecting cultural heritage in times of climate change – a European perspective**

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The results of the work of the EU Member States' Expert Group on Strengthening cultural heritage resilience for Climate Change will be presented. 25 EU Member States and three associated countries participated in the expert group, which compiled the current state of play in Europe from January 2021 to July 2022.

The objectives and scope of work for the OMC (open method of coordination) group are specified in the mandate given by the Cultural Affairs Committee of the Council of the European Union on 12 October 2020. The OMC group examined the current and emerging threats and effects of Climate change on cultural heritage, including of cultural landscapes. The focus was given to appropriate adaptation and mitigation measures, to identification of potential risks and to increase resilience of cultural goods in the face of a changing environment while at the same time avoiding maladaptation. The group also examined the contribution of cultural heritage to combat against climate change in line with the objectives of the Green Deal.