



U.S. COMMITTEE OF THE
BLUE SHIELD

COMMITTED TO THE PROTECTION OF CULTURAL PROPERTY WORLDWIDE DURING ARMED CONFLICT

USCBS Meeting

U.S. Committee of the Blue Shield Meeting April 10, 2013 Washington, DC



We will be joined by the Working Group on the Protection of Syrian Heritage in Conflict, organized by the Smithsonian Institution, ARCH, and Blue Shield Austria.



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Wednesday, April 10th, 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Smithsonian Institution
S. Dillon Ripley Center Lecture Hall (3rd level down)
1100 Jefferson Drive SW (entry is between the
Smithsonian Castle and the Freer Museum)
Washington, DC
Metro Stop: Smithsonian (Blue/Orange Line)

Admission is free and open to anyone, but please RSVP to Paul Wegener at wegener1@hotmail.com by Monday, April 8th, or call 612-308-2339 for questions

Agenda

- 1:30-1:45 **Welcome and Introduction of the USCBS Board Members**
Dr. Nancy Wilkie, President, USCBS
- 1:45-2:15 **The Future of the 1954 Hague Convention**
Dr. Patty Gerstenblith, DePaul University
College of Law, USCBS board
- 2:15-3:00 **U.S. Implementation of the Military Aspects of the 1954 Hague Convention**
- Update of programs initiated by CHAMP, CCHAG and other groups**
Dr. Laurie Rush, USCBS board
- Update on US participation in the Hague Convention and military issues**
Dick Jackson, USCBS board
- Update on military training and cultural heritage documentation**
Cori Wegener, Smithsonian Institution,
USCBS founding president
- 3:00-3:30 **Syrian Cultural Heritage in Crisis**
Hear from representatives of the Syrian Working Group on Heritage in Crisis
- 3:30-3:45 **Break**
- 3:45-4:15 **Blue Shield International Update**
Karl Habsburg, President, Association of National Committees of the Blue Shield, Blue Shield Austria
- 4:15-4:30 **The Iraq Museum and a Decade of Progress**
- 4:30-5:00 **Update on the Smithsonian Haiti Cultural Recovery Project and the Future of Emergency Response for Cultural Heritage**
Dr. Richard Kurin, Under Secretary for History, Art, and Culture, Smithsonian Institution