



# WORLD HISTORICAL CITIES



## 121 Member Cities

### AFRICA

Accra / Alexandria / Algiers / Fez / Giza / Luxor / Tunis

### ASIA

Andong / Buyeo / Chengdu / Chiang Mai / Dujiangyan / Gonju / Gyeongju / Hanoi / Hue / Kaesong / Kamakura / Kanazawa / Kathmandu / Kurunegala / Kyoto / Lahore / Naha / Nanjing / Nara / Suwon / Taichung / Tainan / Ulaanbaatar / Varanasi / Vigan / Wuxi / Xian / Yangon / Yangzhou / Yogyakarta / Zhengzhou

### EUROPE

Alba Iulia / Amsterdam / Athens / Bad Ischl / Barcelona / Bordeaux / Bratislava / Brussels / Budapest / Chernivtsi / Cologne / Constanta / Cordoba / Cracow / Dijon / Dublin / Edinburgh / Florence / Geneva / The Hague / Helsingborg / Iasi / Izhevsk / Kazan / Kiev / Klaipeda / Kutaisi / Lisbon / Ljubljana / Lutsk / Lviv / Minsk / Montpellier / Mtskheta / Nicosia / Nis / Norwich / Odessa / Paris / Prague / Riga / Rome / Santiago de Compostela / Sarajevo / Sheki / South East Region of Malta / Strasbourg / Syzran / Tashkent / Termez / Veliko Tarnovo / Venice / Vienna / Zagreb

### LATIN AMERICA

Cartagena / Cuenca / Cusco / Guadalajara / Mexico City

### MIDDLE EAST

Ankara / Baghdad / Bursa / Hebron / Isfahan / Istanbul / Jerusalem / Kashan / Kong / Konya / Nayshabur / Osmangazi / Sanliurfa / Semnan / Shiraz / Tabriz / Yazd

### NORTH AMERICA

Boston / Montreal / Quebec City

### PACIFIC

Ballarat / Melbourne / Norwood Payneham and St. Peters / Whanganui

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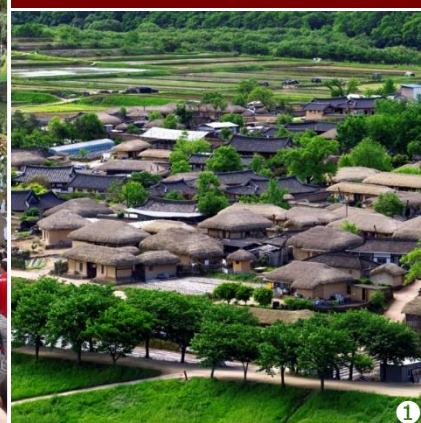


Kazan is experienced in hosting various international events in the past. They carried out numerous international events online this year and already have sufficient facilities and equipment to hold the World Conference online. However, how the next conference is held will be determined in accordance with the future situation related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Secretariat will announce the decision and keep you updated with new information on programs and contests.

The 17th World Conference is scheduled to take place in Kazan in the late June 2021, when a large-scale festival is held in the city. We sincerely hope that we will gather together in Kazan to see the city at first hand.



The 18<sup>th</sup>  
World Conference  
of Historical Cities  
will be held *in 2022!*



### Candidate Cities

- ① Andong (South Korea)
- ② Dujiangyan (China)
- ③ Odessa (Ukraine)

### Contact Information

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### Candidate Host Cities

#### for the 18th World Conference of Historical Cities

Applications to stand as a candidate city to host the 18<sup>th</sup> World Conference of Historical Cities from **Andong** (Republic of Korea), **Dujiangyan** (China), and **Odessa** (Ukraine) have been officially accepted. They will give presentations at the 17<sup>th</sup> World Conference and the host city will be selected by vote.

A call for candidacy for the host to the 19th World Conference will be issued in the second half of 2021.



# Summary

## of the 2020 Board of Directors' Meeting

The FY2020 Board of Directors' Meeting was held online on September 10, 2020. Normally, the meeting takes place in a host city every year, but the meeting for this fiscal year was held online for the first time ever due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

All the representative officers from the 8 Director Cities as indicated below participated in the meeting and exchanged opinions.

POSITION	CITY/COUNTRY	<b><u>New Member Cities</u></b>  2 cities, <b>Izhevsk</b> and <b>Syzran</b> in Russian Federation, have joined the League as new members and the total number of member cities for FY2020 has reached <b>121 cities in 66 countries and regions.</b>
Chairperson	Kyoto / Japan	
Vice-Chairpersons	Xian / China Konya / Turkey	
Directors	Ballarat / Australia Gyeongju / South Korea Ljubljana / Slovenia Bad Ischl / Austria Shiraz / Iran	

### Report from the Secretariat

Reports on the renovation of the official website, publication of newsletters, promotional activities of the LHC, Account Settlement for FY2019 and the FY2020 Budget Plan were presented and unanimously approved at the meeting. The Secretariat will consider more effective way of utilizing the official website such as adding links to SNS, in order to attain greater recognition of the League and to enhance information sharing among member cities. Please contact the Secretariat if you would like to contribute articles to the LHC newsletters or to post news on the website.



### The 17<sup>th</sup> World Conference of Historical Cities

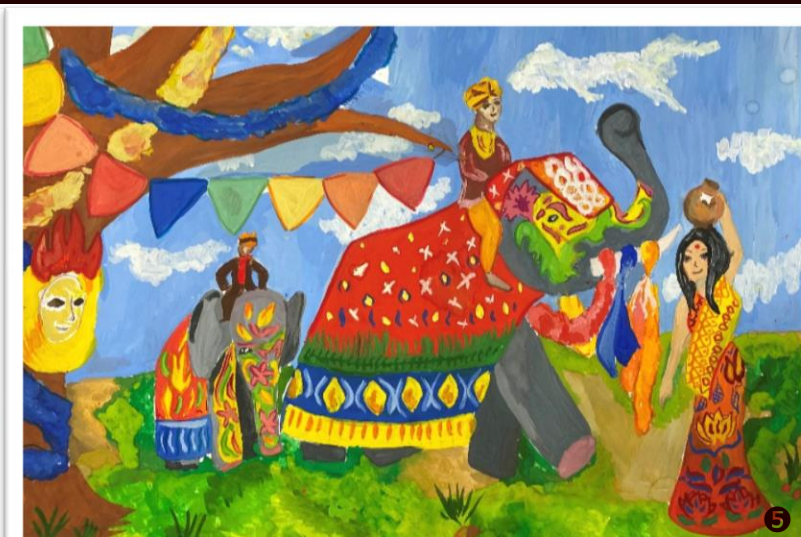
The timing and conditions to hold the 17<sup>th</sup> World Conference in Kazan in 2021 were discussed. The Board of Directors will decide how the conference is held **3 months before the provisional date of the conference**, taking account of the worldwide situation related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the situation in Kazan, travel restrictions and entry/exit requirements imposed in countries and regions around the world. The Secretariat will announce the details of the schedule and programs on the LHC official website and by e-mail to all member cities.



## LHC Art Gallery

International Children's Painting Exhibition Vol. 1

*"I See the World - Traditions of the Nations of the World"*





These paintings were created by children living in the member cities and submitted to the International Children's Painting Contest. The contest was originally scheduled to take place at the 17th World Conference of Historical Cities in Kazan in June 2020, but unfortunately it was postponed in accordance with the rescheduling of the conference. \*

The children created paintings freely in mind imagining their local traditions and cultural heritage which they wish to cherish, despite the fact that they had to experience various restrictions imposed in the COVID-19 crisis. As we cannot provide any opportunities to showcase the children's artistic works to a large number of people until the next conference, we would like to introduce you some of them here. Please enjoy.

\*A renewed call for paintings for the contest will be issued.



Cover Photos: Dragon-boat Race ( Han Lin Mao, Chengdu)  
Dance at Sunset (Zharova Karina, Kazan)

- ① Seven-story Brick Pagoda in Andong (Park Jeong-eum, Andong)
- ② Mask Dances in Hahoe Village (Jung Min-jae, Andong)
- ③ Andong Traditional Battle Play (Park Sarah, Andong)
- ④ Festivities (Shigapova Sofia, Kazan)
- ⑤ Carnival (Efimova Polina, Kazan)
- ⑥ Dragon Dance (Chen Yanyi, Chengdu)
- ⑦ Lively Spring Festival (Nie Qianqiu, Chengdu)
- ⑧ Charm of Japan (Tarui Yuika, Kyoto)
- ⑨ Open-air Noh Performance by Torchlight (Yamane Yura, Kyoto)



# Notice

from a Member & the Secretariat



## Bursa Safe Tourism Certificate

### Bursa Metropolitan Municipality

Turkey's 'Safe Tourism Certification Program' defines and advises an extensive series of measures to be taken with regards to transportation and accommodation of all Turkish citizens and international visitors who will spend their holidays in Turkey as well as the well-being and health conditions of passengers/guests and of employees working at touristic facilities. Until today 78 hotels and restaurants received their certificates in Bursa.

For more information: <https://tga.gov.tr/home/>



## The Launch of the LHC Facebook Group

[facebook.com/groups/257128382248677/](https://facebook.com/groups/257128382248677/)

We have created a group page on Facebook. If your city has a Facebook account, join the group in the name of your city. Once you have joined the group, you can post information about your city on the page. Please feel free to use it to share your information. You can also visit the group page via the LHC official website homepage. <https://www.lhc-s.org/>

### What we would like you to post are:

- Information on international events to be held in your city (including virtual events)
- Your city's initiatives
- Report on exchange activities among member cities
- Notification of mayor's retirement/assumption of office, etc.

**Note:** Please refrain from posting any images or messages containing specific ideologies, beliefs, and religious or political content.



## Final Payment Reminder of the 2020 Annual Membership Fee

If you have not paid your annual membership fee for FY 2020, please pay it by the end of December 2020. If you have difficulties in paying it due to financial reasons, please contact the Secretariat. If you are unable to make remittance to the designated account, we can still accept payment by PayPal exceptionally. Please consult the Secretariat for further details.



## Suspension of Overseas Postal Service

At present, international mail and courier services to some countries and regions are temporarily suspended so that we cannot send original bills and receipts to the cities in those areas. If you must have an original copy in accordance with accounting principles of your city, please contact the Secretariat.

Regarding the LHC bulletins, they are published on the website in principle in order for us to reduce expenses and environmental impact.