

## Previous and Upcoming World Conferences of Historical Cities

Host city	Period	Theme	Participated cities
1st Conf. Kyoto (Japan)	Nov. 18-21, 1987	Historical Cities in the 21st Century: Tradition and Creativity	26 (25 countries)
2nd Conf. Florence (Italy)	June 18-21, 1988	Historical Cities in the Future of Mankind	33 (27 countries)
3rd Conf. Barcelona (Spain)	Oct. 28-31, 1991	The Memories of and Futures of Cities	40 (23 countries)
4th Conf. Kyoto (Japan)	April 25-28, 1994	In Quest of the Wisdom of Historical Cities	45 (40 countries)
5th Conf. Xi'an (China)	Sep. 9-13, 1996	Revival of Historical Cities	51 (37 countries)
6th Conf. Cracow (Poland)	May 25-28, 1998	Heritage and Development of Historical Cities	30 (23 countries and regions)
7th Conf. Montpellier (France)	July 5-8, 2000	History of Value	53 (24 countries)
8th Conf. Montreal (Canada)	Oct. 6-8, 2003	Conserving and Developing: How? With whom? Why?	19 (13 countries)
9th Conf. Gyeongju (Korea)	Oct. 18-20, 2005	Today and Tomorrow of the Historical Cities: Preservation and Restoration of the Historical Cities	25 (18 countries)
10th Conf. Ballarat (Australia)	Oct. 29-Nov.1, 2006	Sustainable Historical Cities: Economics, Preservation and Visions for the Future	35 (9 countries)
11th Conf. Konya (Turkey)	June 10-13, 2008	Living Cultural Heritage in Historical Cities	156 (46 countries)
12th Conf. Nara (Japan)	Oct. 12-15, 2010	Succession of Historical City with Creative Revitalization	53 (19 countries)
13th Conf. Hue (Vietnam)	April 16-18, 2012	Defining Universal Heritage Challenges and Solutions	30 (14 countries and regions)
14th Conf. Yangzhou (China)	Sep. 2-4, 2014	Historical Cities: Ancient Culture Integrated into Modern Civilization	29 (14 countries and regions)
15th Conf. Bad Ischl (Austria)	June 7-9, 2016	Smart, Innovative, Creative Historical Cities of the Future	39 (25 countries)
16th Conf. Bursa (Turkey)	Sep. 7-9, 2018	The impact of globalization on culture and way of living	38 (21 countries and regions)
17th Conf. Kazan (Russia)	June 18-20, 2020	Historical and cultural heritage as the basis of national and regional identity	

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# THE LEAGUE OF HISTORICAL CITIES



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# Outline of the League of Historical Cities

## Aims

Our purpose in forming this League is to contribute to the realization of eternal world peace so desired for the future of mankind by all people everywhere; an organization which will deepen mutual understanding by transcending national boundaries and building on the common foundation of historical cities to strengthen affiliations between cities. Our aim is to make use of this coming together of cities for the World Conference of Historical Cities in order to also establish a forum enabling further exchange between the participating cities; not only for the period during the conferences, but on an ordinary, everyday basis as well; and not merely with respect to issues such as government, citizens' lifestyles, and so forth. The League also aims to contribute to the further development of each historical city.

## Background

The City of Kyoto proposed and held the first World Conference of Historical Cities with 26 cities as participants in 1987. The World Conference of Historical Cities Council was established at that time to oversee the regular staging of conferences. The Secretariat of this council was settled in Kyoto and the Mayor of Kyoto city served as the President.

After the second Conference in Florence in 1988, and the third in Barcelona and Girona in 1991, the 4th World Conference of Historical Cities was hosted again in Kyoto in 1994. On the occasion of this Conference, the existing council was dissolved and replaced by the League of Historical Cities with the unanimous approval of all participants in order to achieve the abovementioned aims.

## Principal Officers (As of December, 2019)

Chairperson	Kyoto (Japan)
Vice Chairpersons	Konya (Turkey) , Xi'an (China)
Directors	Bad Ischl (Austria) , Ballarat (Australia) , Gyeongju (Republic of Korea) , Ljubljana (Slovenia) , Shiraz (Iran)
Auditor	Kanazawa (Japan)

# Member Cities of the League of Historical Cities

119 cities from 66 countries and regions (As of December 2019)

## ● Europe

Alba lulia (Romania), Amsterdam (Netherlands), Athens (Greece), Bad Ischl (Austria), Barcelona (Spain), Bordeaux (France), Bratislava (Slovakia), Brussels (Belgium), Budapest (Hungary), Chernivtsi (Ukraine), Cologne (Germany), Constanta (Romania), Cordoba (Spain), Cracow (Poland), Dijon (France), Dublin (Ireland), Edinburgh (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Florence (Italy), Geneva (Switzerland), The Hague (Netherlands), Helsingborg (Sweden), Iasi (Romania), Kazan (Russian Federation), Kiev (Ukraine), Klaipeda (Lithuania), Kutaisi (Georgia), Lisbon (Portugal), Ljubljana (Slovenia), Lutsk (Ukraine), Lviv (Ukraine), Minsk (Belarus), Montpellier (France), Mtskheta (Georgia), Nicosia (Cyprus), Nis (Serbia), Norwich (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), Odessa (Ukraine), Paris (France), Prague (Czech Republic), Riga (Latvia), Rome (Italy), Santiago de Compostela (Spain), Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Sheki (Azerbaijan), South East Region of Malta (Malta), Strasbourg (France), Tashkent (Uzbekistan), Termez (Uzbekistan), Veliko Tarnovo (Bulgaria), Venice (Italy), Vienna (Austria), Zagreb (Croatia)

## ● Middle East

Ankara (Turkey), Baghdad (Iraq), Bursa (Turkey), Hebron (Palestine), Isfahan (Iran), Istanbul (Turkey), Jerusalem (Israel), Kashan (Iran), Kong (Iran), Konya (Turkey), Nayshabur (Iran), Osmangazi (Turkey), Sanliurfa (Turkey), Semnan (Iran), Shiraz (Iran), Tabriz (Iran), Yazd (Iran)

## ● Africa

Accra (Ghana), Alexandria (Egypt), Algiers (Algeria), Fez (Morocco), Giza (Egypt), Luxor (Egypt), Tunis (Tunisia)

## ● Asia

Andong (Republic of Korea), Buyeo (Republic of Korea), Chengdu (China), Chiang Mai (Thailand), Dujiangyan (China), Gongju (Republic of Korea), Gyeongju (Republic of Korea), Hanoi (Viet Nam), Hue (Viet Nam), Kaesong (Democratic People's Republic of Korea), Kamakura (Japan), Kanazawa (Japan), Kathmandu (Nepal), Kurunegala (Sri Lanka), Kyoto (Japan), Lahore (Pakistan), Naha (Japan), Nanjing (China), Nara (Japan), Suwon (Republic of Korea), Taichung (Chinese Taipei), Tainan (Chinese Taipei), Ulan Bator (Mongolia), Varanasi (India), Vigan (Philippines), Wuxi (China), Xi'an (China), Yangon (Myanmar), Yangzhou (China), Yogyakarta (Indonesia), Zhengzhou (China)

## ● North America

Boston (United States of America), Montreal (Canada), Quebec (Canada)

## ● Latin America

Cartagena (Colombia), Cuenca (Ecuador), Cusco (Peru), Guadalajara (Mexico), Mexico City (Mexico)

## ● Pacific

Ballarat (Australia), Melbourne (Australia), Norwood Payneham and St Peters (Australia), Whanganui (New Zealand)

