Technical Committee for Modern Heritage

The APT Technical Committee for Modern Heritage (TC-MH) was created in 2006 to promote the understanding and management of Modern and Postwar Heritage and to foster the development of the full range of philosophical, design, and technical precepts necessary to ensure our ability to sustain this legacy. As an integral component of APT, the TC-MH has a primary mission to foster rigorous technical practices as stewards of modern heritage. This mission extends to the design and construction communities that carry out rehabilitation efforts. The TC-MH is also active in the broad philosophical debate about the nature and prioritization of preservation that has ensued over the course of the last three decades, particularly as applied to the heritage of the recent past. While conservation is always a priority, we also acknowledge that the planning and protection for materiality of many modern buildings—as well as the urgent need to maximize the sustainability quotient in historic resources—often suggest rehabilitation solutions that require us to carefully balance program needs with traditional preservation practice.

Publications


Committee Symposia

APT Symposium on Renewing Modernism. APT Annual Conference 2015, Kansas City, Missouri.

Panel Discussion on Modern Heritage: Progress, Priorities and Prognosis. APT Annual Conference 2009, Los Angeles, California.

Committee Initiatives

PUBLICATIONS

Provide Modern Heritage materials to APT Publications Committee for Communiqués and Bulletin, including special edition Modern Heritage-focused Bulletins.

EDUCATION

Provide educational resources including workshops and symposia on the theme of Renewing Modernism.

APT TC-SP OSCAR

Collaborate with the APT Technical Committee on Sustainability (TC-SP) to recommend materials on Modern Heritage for OSCAR (Online Sustainable Conservation Assistance Resource). Current TC-MH focus is to inform OSCAR on curtain wall technology and conservation of modern concrete.

STRAEGIC PLAN

Implement action plan items to meet goals and timeline for plan developed and adopted by TC-MH as part of APT’s current Strategic Plan: 1) develop and deliver excellent interdisciplinary technical content for the community of practice that preserves the built environment; and 2) identify and define upcoming issues, and set the direction for development of best practices in the conservation of modern materials and heritage.

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