

sharing and co-creation of information for heritage conservation. The evolving nature of what society considers cultural heritage, the layered concept of heritage values and the changing nature of the resources available for the management of cultural heritage generate new requirements to the (professional) heritage documentation society. Positioning cultural heritage as central in (spatial) planning policy as “health” is central to public health policy requires is the essence of a preventive conservation strategy. Key to such a preventive conservation strategy are monitoring, empowering stakeholders to support the broadening of the preservation basis and appropriate risk management that put heritage values at the core. Technological development can improve those key-factors but at first glance it becomes evident that the major breakthroughs will have to come from strategies, smart integration and devoted stakeholders who believe in the sustainable development power of cultural heritage. A list of challenges and resulted requirements have been identified that aim at helping the cultural heritage documentation community (the CIPA community and others) in implementing a preventive conservation approach of the built heritage in today’s society.

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