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Jointly activating the Dublin Principles – a lost opportunity?

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The approval of the Joint TICCIH/ICOMOS Dublin Principles at the ICOMOS General Assembly in November 2011 was a major breakthrough in accepting that the international industrial heritage is firmly part of the global cultural heritage. This now gives great opportunities for national TICCIH sections to become very active in helping ICOMOS national organisations implement the Principles. If this is not done then there is the risk that TICCIH may become irrelevant at both national and international levels. The implementation of the Dublin Principles has already started and the opportunity for TICCIH national sections to be fully engaged to help in this process needs to be grasped.

TICCIH President Patrick Martin made this clear when he addressed the TICCIH National Representatives in Taiwan in November 2012 but what action has happened about this in each country where TICCIH has a national section?