

The CVI Update is a periodic newsletter to briefly update those who have shown an interest in the Climate Vulnerability Index with key developments along the CVI journey. Despite disruptions related to COVID-19, activity and interest in the CVI has continued!

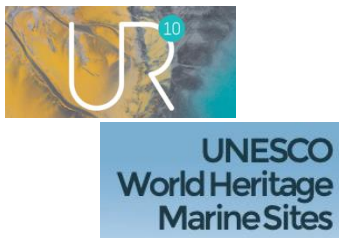


The report on the first phase CVI application for the **Wadden Sea**, which extends along the coastlines of The Netherlands, Germany and Denmark, was published this month. This first phase assessed the vulnerability of the Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) of the property. Preparations are underway for the second phase workshop – to assess Community Vulnerability – in February 2021.

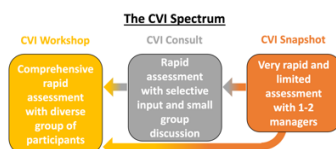
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A new [project](#) has been funded to pilot the CVI in two African World Heritage properties. The **CVI-Africa** project is being undertaken by a global team led by institutions in Africa and the United Kingdom, and supported by the UK Arts and Humanities Research Council. The two World Heritage properties to be assessed are Ruins of Kilwa Kisiwani and Songo Mnara (Tanzania, pictured: W. Megarry), and the Sukur Cultural Landscape (Nigeria); with a key focus on building capacity among African partners.



Two **upcoming presentations** on the CVI will be given in early-December. The first is a session at the [2020 Understanding Risk Forum](#) on the climate risks to the heritage of Caribbean fortifications (a collaboration led by INES Ingenieros). At the invitation of the [UNESCO World Heritage Marine Programme](#), the second presentation is for all marine World Heritage property managers and will feature a CVI overview and CVI outcomes from Shark Bay and the Wadden Sea.



Acknowledging the number of World Heritage properties (currently more than 1100) and the interest in CVI for other types of sites, strategies are being developed to broaden how the CVI is applied. CVI delivery modes span a **CVI Spectrum** from the brief 'CVI Snapshot' undertaken remotely with one or two managers through to the full 'CVI Workshop' as has occurred in Shark Bay, Orkney and Wadden Sea.



Interest and engagement with the **World Heritage Centre** (as noted above) and with their **Advisory Bodies** continues. ICOMOS has initiated discussion toward future CVI applications and is a key partner in the CVI-Africa project through the Climate Change and Heritage Working Group. Discussions with IUCN and ICCROM on the CVI process are also continuing, including how the CVI can contribute to the broader endeavours of each advisory body.

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