Communities and Heritage Right in the Council of Europe Convention on the Value of Cultural Heritage for Society

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This article analyses the Council of Europe Framework Convention on the value of Cultural Heritage for Society with a focus on the right of cultural heritage and exploring the innovative concept that it introduces – a heritage community. In particular, the scope of the community, the signs of community unification, the criteria for community formation and the differences from other communities are outlined. The article is presented in two parts. The first reviews the two basic documents of the Council of Europe Framework Convention on the value of Cultural Heritage for Society and the Explanatory Report that comes with it. The second part reviews the EU documents, which are related to the Faro Convention.

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