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nd Yemen's Old City. the target of a number of

car bomb that damaged im of Islamic Art and elics it housed, last year. UNESCO is still in the process of restoring the damaged items.

Eloui, the campaign's first envoy in the region, addressed the gathering. She said, "Art and literature promote life and terrorism promotes death.

This initiative is a step on the long road to increasing young people's awareness of the cultural heritage they inherited from their forefathers and which needs to be safeguarded, so they can hand it down to their children and grandchildren.

"It is a big responsibility, especially now that we have seen what the cultural heritage is being exposed to in the Arab countries. We must stop this futility. We should unite for the sake of tolerance, culture and identity," Eloui said, after asking the audience to stand for a minute in silence, to mourn victims of terrorism all over the world.

The ceremony was organised by UNESCO's Cairo office, the Ministry of Antiquities and the Egyptian National Commission for UNESCO.

On December 3, a rally will be held in front of the Pyramids in Giza, to celebrate humanity's cultural heritage and to raise awareness of the need to safeguard it. Taking part in the rally will be 1,500 children and young people.

gered white rhino dies, ing just 3 worldwide

O (Reuters) – A 41orthern white rhino Sunday at the San i Park, leaving just of the critically es alive worldwide, watch last week as her appetite and activity levels declined. After her condition worsened significantly, caretakers decided to euthanise her, zoo officials said.

"Nola was an iconic animal, not only at the San Diego Zoo Safari Park, but worldwide," the zoo said. "Through the years, millions of people learned about Nola and the plight of rhinos in the wild through visits to the Safari Park, numerous media stories and social

Debate on Nile water conservation tomorrow

FFICIENT conservation and management of the Nile will be at the centre of discussions tomorrow at 6.30pm at the 35th Cairo Climate Talks, at the German Science Centre.

The forum will bring together experts to discuss this and other issues that have an impact on human use of the Nile and water resource management from both a supply and demand perspective.

The discussion will be opened by the German Ambassador in Cairo, Julius Georg Luy, the Egyptian Minister of the Environment, Khaled Fahmy, and the Minister of Water Resources and Irrigation Hossam Moghazy.

As a vital lifeline running the length of Egypt, the Nile supports millions of human, animal and plant lives in this country of around 90 million people.

Many factors affect the Nile's flow and use, from various climate changes to water management, from sedimentation to irrigation.

Increasing pressure from pollution and population growth also play a significant role. The health of Egypt's burgeoning population and its agriculture are inextricably linked to the ecology and health of the river.

The country has reached a state of water poverty, with water consumption climbing more than 23 per cent in a decade, most of which is used for agriculture.

Though the use of recycled agricultural runoff water is also increasing, water strategies such as recycling grey water and desalination have not yet been implemented widely enough to keep pace with depleting resources.

The forum will be attended by Lama Hatow, a co-founder of the Water Institute for the Nile; Dr Lars Ribbe, a professor for integrated land and water resources management, TH Köln – University of Applied Sciences; Ibrahim Eshra, a vice president of Engineering Consultants Group; and Dr Mostafa Abou-Zeid, the head of the Electro-Mechanical Department at the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation.

The event will be moderated by Ahmed Sedky, an expert on sustainable and renewable energy systems and solutions.

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