

MedLiHer - Mediterranean Living Heritage

Contribution to implementing the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in Mediterranean partner countries

OPENING SEMINAR – PARIS

25 and 26 May 2009

UNESCO Headquarters – 1 rue Miollis – Room XIV

Monday, 25 May 2009

Morning session

- 10h00-10h20 Welcome address by Cécile Duvelle, Chief of the UNESCO Section of Intangible Cultural Heritage
- 10h20-10h40 Welcome address by Christiane Dabdoub Nasser, Team Leader of the Regional Monitoring Support Unit of the European programme Euromed Heritage 4
- 10h40-11h00 Brief presentation of participants
- 11h00-11h15 *Coffee break*
- 11h15-12h15 General presentation of the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage by Fernando Brugman, UNESCO Programme Specialist, Section of Intangible Cultural Heritage
- 12h15-13h00 Questions and answers
- 13h00-15h00 *Lunch*

Afternoon session

- 15h00-15h30 Presentation of the MEDLIHER Project by Berta de Sancristóbal, UNESCO Assistant Programme Specialist, Section of Intangible Cultural Heritage
- 15h30-16h00 Questions and answers
- 16h00-16h30 Presentation by Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Lebanon of safeguarding activities carried out in their countries, on the basis of the questionnaires, and presentation of the Maison des Cultures du Monde
- 16h30-16h45 *Coffee break*

16h45-18h00 Presentation by Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria of safeguarding activities carried out in their countries, on the basis of the questionnaires, and presentation of the Maison des Cultures du Monde (continued)

19h00 *Cocktail at UNESCO Cafeteria*

Tuesday, 26 May 2009

Morning session

10h00-10h30 Presentation of contractual modalities and other administrative aspects by Margarida Tor, UNESCO Programme Specialist, Division of Cooperation with Extrabudgetary Funding Sources

10h30-11h00 Questions and answers

11h00-11h15 *Coffee break*

11h15-11h45 Presentation of the Euromed Heritage 4 by Christophe Graz, Project Manager of the Regional Monitoring Support Unit (European Commission)

11h45-12h00 Questions and answers

12h00-12h30 Presentation of the information management system by Hughes Sicard, Assistant Programme Specialist, UNESCO Section of Intangible Cultural Heritage

12h30-13h00 General debate

13h00-15h00 *Lunch*

Afternoon session

15h00-16h30 Examples of safeguarding measures and projects by:

- *Dr. Julie Scott, Senior Research Fellow in Culture, Tourism, and Development, London Metropolitan University, UK, former project coordinator of MedVoices*
- *Presentation by the Maison des Cultures du Monde, Paris, France*
- *Dr. Ahmed Skounti, Senior Research Fellow at the National Institute of Archaeology and Heritage, Marrakech, Morocco*
- *Dr. Pablo Carpintero, University of Vigo, Intangible Heritage Researcher, coordinator "Proyecto Ronsel" on safeguarding Intangible Heritage in Galicia, Spain*

16h30-16h45 *Coffee break*

16h45-17h30 Presentation and discussion of the grid to guide the preparation of the national surveys by Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon and Syria

17h30-18h00 Closure and follow-up