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**INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR THE
SAFEGUARDING OF THE INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE**

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**Item 9 of the Provisional Agenda: Accreditation of non-governmental
organizations**

Summary

In accordance with Chapter 3.2.2 of the Operational Directives and with Resolution [2.GA 6](#), this document presents the requests of NGOs to be accredited to provide advisory services to the Committee.

Decision required: paragraph 9

1. The Operational Directives lay out in Chapter 3.2.2 (paragraphs [88-95](#)) the criteria and procedures for the accreditation of non-governmental organizations (“NGO”) to provide advisory services to the Committee, as provided in [Article 9](#) of the Convention. In its Resolution [2.GA 6](#), the General Assembly requested *the Director-General to take the necessary measures to publish and widely disseminate the information regarding the criteria, modalities and procedures for accreditation of non-governmental organizations that may wish to request accreditation as foreseen in Article 9 of the Convention.* The Assembly, in the same Resolution, invited *the Committee to submit to it for accreditation at its subsequent sessions the names of non-governmental organizations that satisfy the criteria for accreditation laid down in the Operational Directives.*
2. To disseminate the information about accreditation, the Secretariat addressed a letter and e-mails to 360 organizations included within its provisional list of NGOs, non-profit institutions, research institutes and centres of expertise (see Document [ITH/08/3.COM/CONF.203/INF.4](#)). Information about accreditation procedures was sent by letter to all States Parties and to the NGO Liaison Committee at UNESCO, and was provided on the website of the Convention.
3. The Operational Directives provide that NGOs should submit their requests for accreditation to the Secretariat at least three months before each session of the Committee, thus 4 August 2008. In order to provide additional time to NGOs in this first cycle, the Secretariat invited them to submit their requests before 1 September 2008. As of 1 September 2008, 92 entities had submitted requests. After requesting and receiving additional information from many of them, the Secretariat proceeded to its initial examination of those that were completed on or before 25 September 2008. The website of the Convention (www.unesco.org/culture/ich/en/3COM/) makes available all of the requests from NGOs that were completed by that time, namely the standard form ICH-09 submitted by each organization, together with the pertinent supplementary documents they submitted regarding items 8.a and 8.b of that form. The request and the supplementary documents are presented in the language in which they were submitted.
4. In accordance with paragraph 89 of the Operational Directives, the Secretariat submits to the Committee its recommendation that the following 48 NGOs appear to satisfy the criteria for accreditation set out in paragraph 88 of those Directives:

Arunodaya kala mahila mandali	India	NGO-90047
Asia/Pacific Cultural Centre for UNESCO	Japan	NGO-90027
Asociatia Teatrului Folcloric din România si Republica Moldova / Association du Théâtre Folklorique de Roumanie et de la République de Moldavie	Romania	NGO-90046
جمعية لقاءات جمعيات الثقافة لالتربية / Association Cont'Act pour l'Education et les Cultures	Morocco	NGO-90074
Association Nationale Cultures et Traditions	France	NGO-90043
Associazione Extra Moenia	Italy	NGO-90058
Bhartiya Lok Kala Mandal / Institute of Folk Arts and Culture	India	NGO-90069
Center for Traditional Music and Dance	United States of America	NGO-90003

Centre des Musiques et Danses Traditionnelles et Populaires de la Guadeloupe	France	NGO-90026
Centre UNESCO de Catalunya / Centre UNESCO de Catalogne	Spain	NGO-90004
Centro Daniel Rubín de la Borbolla a.c. / Daniel Rubín de la Borbolla Center, a.c.	Mexico	NGO-90023
Centro de Estudios Borjanos de la Institución "Fernando el Católico" / Centre d'Etudes Borjanos de l'Institution "Fernando el Católico"	Spain	NGO-90059
Centro UNESCO de la Ciudad Autónoma de Melilla / Centre pour l'UNESCO à Melilla	Spain	NGO-90002
Centro UNESCO de Navarra / Centre UNESCO de la Navarre	Spain	NGO-90018
Centro UNESCO de San Sebastián / Centre UNESCO de Saint Sebastien	Spain	NGO-90005
Chambre des Beaux Arts de Méditerranée	France	NGO-90067
Chinese Arts and Crafts Institute	China	NGO-90077
CIOFF България / CIOFF Bulgaria	Bulgaria	NGO-90060
Comité Colbert	France	NGO-90082
Craft Revival Trust	India	NGO-90066
Dastum	France	NGO-90029
Dhrupud Sansthan Bhopal Nyas / Dhrupad Institute Bhopal Trust	India	NGO-90062
FARO. Vlaams steunpunt voor cultureel erfgoed vzw / FARO. Flemish Interface for Cultural Heritage	Belgium	NGO-90053
Federatie van Vlaamse Historische Schuttersgilden / Federation of Flemish Historical Guilds	Belgium	NGO-90039
Fundación Dieta Mediterránea / Mediterranean Diet Foundation	Spain	NGO-90021
Goa Heritage Action Group	India	NGO-90011
Heemkunde Vlaanderen vzw / The Association for the Study of Local History in Flanders	Belgium	NGO-90033
Iniziativa Demo-Etno-Antropologica e di Storia Orale in Toscana – IDAST / Folkloric, Ethnographic, Anthropological and Oral Historic Initiatives in Tuscany - IDAST	Italy	NGO-90035
Instituut voor Vlaamse Volkskunst vzw	Belgium	NGO-90054
International Association for Falconry and Conservation of Birds of Prey (IAF)	Belgium	NGO-90006
International Council for Traditional Music / Conseil international de la musique traditionnelle	Australia	NGO-90009
International Council of Museums / Conseil international des musées	France	NGO-90016
International Council on Monuments and Sites / Conseil International des Monuments et des Sites	France	NGO-90073
International Social Science Council / Conseil international des Sciences sociales	France	NGO-90072

Jaipur Virasat Foundation	India	NGO-90078
Korea Cultural Heritage Foundation	Republic of Korea	NGO-90025
Madhukali	India	NGO-90041
Norwegian Crafts Development / Norsk Handverksutvikling	Norway	NGO-90022
PROMETRA International	Senegal	NGO-90010
Rådet for folkemusikk og folkedans / Norwegian Council for Traditional Music and Traditional Dance	Norway	NGO-90086
Regional Resources Centre for Folk Performing Arts	India	NGO-90020
Sanskriti Pratisthan	India	NGO-90019
Società Italiana per la Museografia ed i Beni DemoEtnoAntropologic / Italian Society for Ethnographic Museum Studies and Heritagei	Italy	NGO-90031
Société Internationale d'Ethnologie et de Folklore / International Society for Ethnology and Folklore	Netherlands	NGO-90013
Tamilnadu Rural Arts Development Centre	India	NGO-90068
Traditions pour Demain / Traditions for Tomorrow	Switzerland	NGO-90007
Vrinda Kathak Kendra	India	NGO-90079
World Martial Arts Union	Republic of Korea	NGO-90024

5. The following 6 organizations have completed their requests, but based upon the information they have provided, the Secretariat is unable to submit any recommendation to the Committee with regard to these requests:

Associazione Musa - Musiche, Canti e Danze tradizionali delle Quattro Province / Musa Association - Music, Songs and traditional Dances from "Four Provinces"	Italy	NGO-90048
Conseil international des radios télévisions d'expression française (CIRTEF)	Belgium	NGO-90012
Conservatorio de la Cultura Gastronómica Mexicana S.C. / Conservatoire de la Culture Gastronomique Mexicaine SC	Mexico	NGO-90001
Interactividad Cultural y Desarrollo A.C. / Cultural Interactivity and Development, A.C.	Mexico	NGO-90075
Società Geografica Italiana ONLUS / Société Géographique Italienne ONLUS	Italy	NGO-90064
UNESCO Etxea: Centro UNESCO Euskal Herria / UNESCO Etxea: UNESCO Centre of the Basque Country	Spain	NGO-90032

6. The following 15 entities submitted requests for accreditation on or before 1 September 2008, but do not appear to be NGOs:

Chandaini	India
Ege Üniversitesi, Türk Dünyası Araştırmaları Enstitüsü / Ege University, Institute of Turkish World Studies	Turkey
Gazi Üniversitesi Türk Halkbilimi Araştırma ve Uygulama Merkezi / The Turkish Folklore Research and Application Center (TFRAC)	Turkey

Ghura Silp Hastkala Training Institute Bhilai Kele ke Ped se chitrakari	India
Gorrela Krishna Murty Burrakadha Brindam	India
Hemant Nritya Kala Mandir	India
Jayamma's Party	India
Lok Kala Manch Pandvani	India
Maison méditerranéenne des sciences de l'homme – Phonothèque	France
Remawand Gedi Nritya Party	India
SARL Chez Pantagruel - Projet Noé	France
Satyam Pandvani Party	India
Sri Nataraja Natya Kala Mandali	India
Suruj Bai Khandey	India
Türk Kültür ve Sanatlari Ortak Yönetimi (TURKSOY) / Joint Administration of the Turkic Arts (TURKSOY)	Turkey

7. In addition, 23 entities submitted requests prior to the deadline that were not completed before 25 September 2008 and 11 entities submitted requests that were received after 1 September 2008. These requests, if complete, may be presented to the Committee at a subsequent session. They are listed for the Committee's information in the Annex to this document.
8. The Committee is invited to examine the above recommendations with regard to accrediting the NGOs in conformity with paragraph 88 of the Operational Directives.
9. The Committee may wish to adopt the following decision:

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The Committee,

1. Having examined Document ITH/08/3.COM/CONF.203/9;
2. Recalling [Article 9](#) of the Convention and Chapter 3.2.2 of the Operational Directives;
3. Further recalling Resolution [2.GA 6](#);
4. Decides that the following organizations satisfy the criteria set out in the above-mentioned Directives and recommends to the General Assembly that they be accredited to provide advisory services to the Committee:
5. Encourages non-governmental organizations that meet the criteria established in Chapter 3.2.2 of the Operational Directives to submit their requests for accreditation at the earliest opportunity.

ANNEX

This Annex presents a list of those entities that submitted requests to be accredited to provide advisory services to the Committee that were received on or before 1 September 2008 but not completed before 25 September 2008, or that were received after 1 September 2008 and have not been examined by the Secretariat. If complete, these requests may be presented to the Committee at a subsequent session.

Acadamh na hOllscolaíochta Gaeilge / Académie de langue irlandaise	Ireland	29/08/2008
Associazione Culturale Scuola Addestramento Teatrale / SAT Cultural Association	Italy	29/08/2008
Associazione Ernesto de Martino	Italy	07/08/2008
Associazione Nazionale Città della Terra Cruda / National Association of Earthen Towns	Italy	06/09/2008
Burrakatha Pithamaha Nazar Arts Development Society	India	30/08/2008
Centre for Culture and Media Studies	India	31/08/2008
Centre for the Study of Traditional Pottery	Greece	12/09/2008
Centre of Humanities and Cultural Studies, CASS	China	01/09/2008
China Folklore Society	China	01/09/2008
Chinese Folk Literature and Art Association	China	01/09/2008
China Academy of Traditional Chinese Medicine	China	01/09/2008
Chinese Society for the History of Science and Technology	China	01/09/2008
Corporación Para la Salvaguarda de Grupos Folklóricos y Actores del Carnaval de Barranquilla Folkcarnaval / Corporation for the Purpose of Preserving Folk Groups and Actors of Barranquilla Carnival (Folkcarnaval)	Colombia	31/08/2008
Corporación Para la Promoción y Difusión de la Cultura / Corporation for Culture Promotion and Diffusion	Colombia	29/08/2008
Fédération des Associations de Musiques et Danses Traditionnelles	France	30/08/2008
Fédération Internationale des Traducteurs / International Federation of Translators	Canada	02/09/2008
Folklor Arařtırmacıları Vakfı / Foundation of Folklore Researchers	Turkey	01/09/2008
Foundation of the Hellenic World	Greece	04/09/2008
Him Kalakar Sangam	India	04/09/2008
International Federation for Home Economics IFHE	Germany	21/08/2008
Japan Arts Council	Japan	05/09/2008
La Enciclopedia del Patrimonio Cultural Inmaterial A.C. / The Intangible Cultural Heritage Encyclopedia	Mexico	01/09/2008
Madari Arts	India	15/09/2008
Maison des Cultures du Monde	France	06/09/2008
Margdarshak seva sansthan	India	01/09/2008
Milletlerarası Kukla ve Gölge Oyunu Birlięi Türkiye Milli	Turkey	02/09/2008

Merkezi / Turkey National Center of UNIMA		
Mizo Cultural Organization	India	28/08/2008
Naad Yoga	India	31/08/2008
National Folklore Support Centre	India	06/09/2008
Natwari Kathak Nritya Academy	India	22/08/2008
Priya Prakashana	India	13/09/2008
The Protection Center of Intangible Cultural Heritage of China	China	01/09/2008
Union des « Foyers de la culture » de Bulgarie	Bulgaria	29/08/2008
Young Mizo Association	India	01/09/2008