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Feedback on the organization of the eleventh session of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

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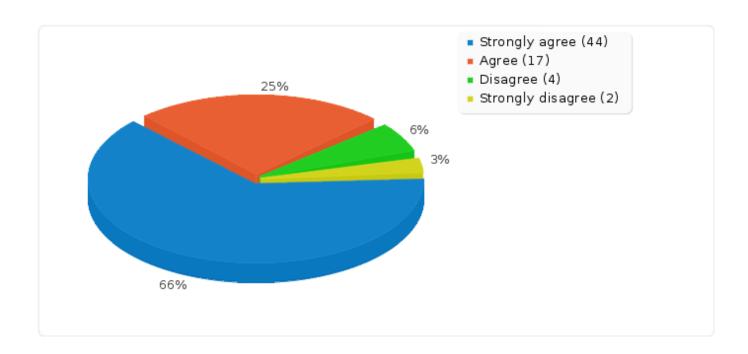
Field summary for 101(e1)

Overall assessment of the session [Pre-meeting materials clearly presented issues and recommendations to support informed decision-making]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly agree (e1)	44	65.67%
Agree (e2)	17	25.37%
Disagree (e3)	4	5.97%
Strongly disagree (e4)	2	2.99%
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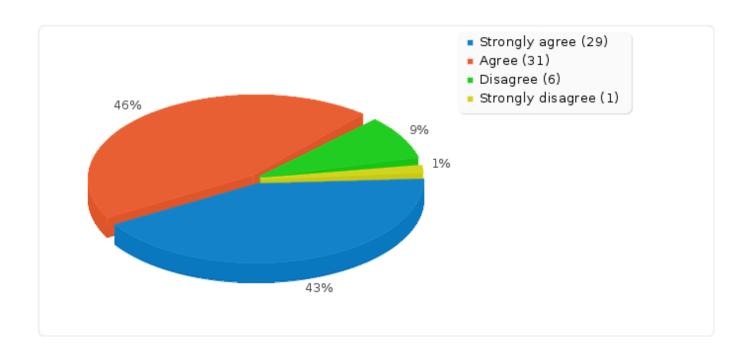
Field summary for 101(e2)

Overall assessment of the session [Agenda was well focused]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly agree (e1)	29	43.28%
Agree (e2)	31	46.27%
Disagree (e3)	6	8.96%
Strongly disagree (e4)	1	1.49%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 101(e2)

Overall assessment of the session [Agenda was well focused]



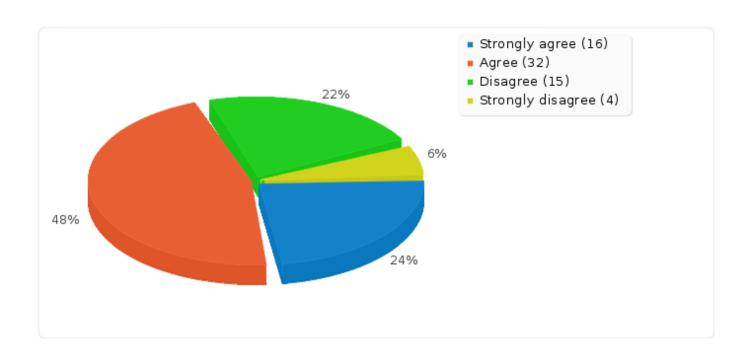
Field summary for 101(e3)

Overall assessment of the session [Appropriate time was allotted to items in the agenda]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly agree (e1)	16	23.88%
Agree (e2)	32	47.76%
Disagree (e3)	15	22.39%
Strongly disagree (e4)	4	5.97%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 101(e3)

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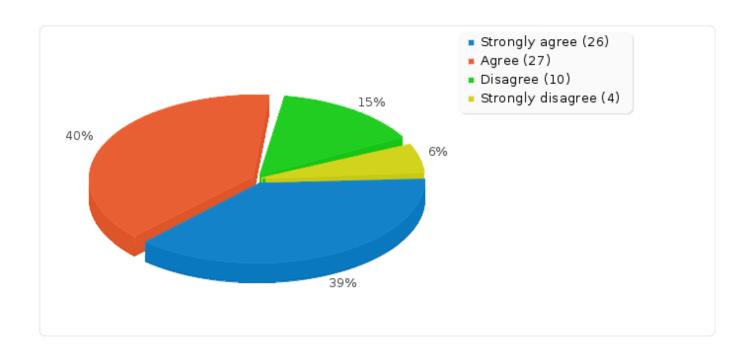
Field summary for 101(e4)

Overall assessment of the session [Purpose of the meeting was accomplished]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly agree (e1)	26	38.81%
Agree (e2)	27	40.30%
Disagree (e3)	10	14.93%
Strongly disagree (e4)	4	5.97%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 101(e4)

Overall assessment of the session [Purpose of the meeting was accomplished]



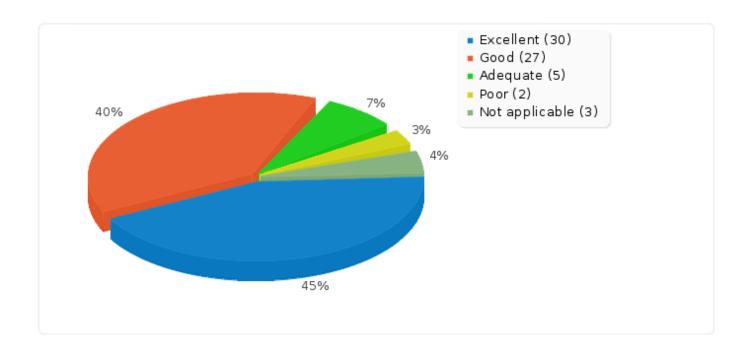
Field summary for 102(e1)

Preparation of the session [Timely delivery of working and information documents]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (e1)	30	44.78%
Good (e2)	27	40.30%
Adequate (e3)	5	7.46%
Poor (e4)	2	2.99%
Not applicable (e5)	3	4.48%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 102(e1)

Preparation of the session
[Timely delivery of working and information documents]



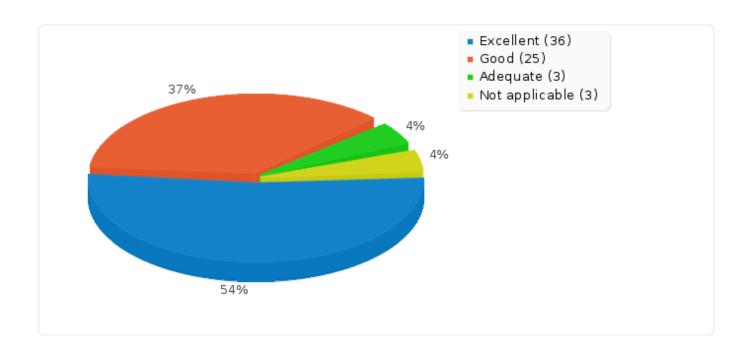
Field summary for 102(e3)

Preparation of the session [Quality of the working and information documents]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (e1)	36	53.73%
Good (e2)	25	37.31%
Adequate (e3)	3	4.48%
Poor (e4)	0	0.00%
Not applicable (e5)	3	4.48%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 102(e3)

Preparation of the session [Quality of the working and information documents]



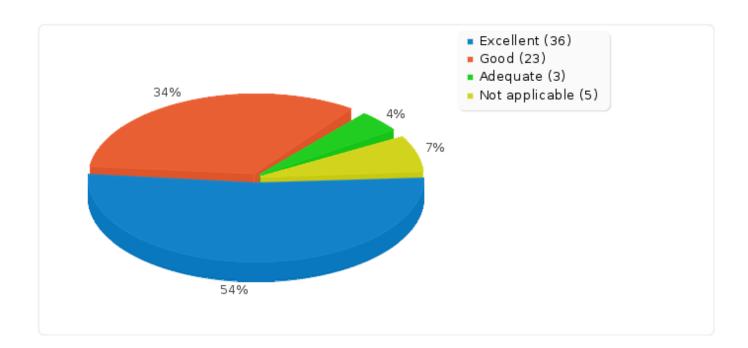
Field summary for 102(e5)

Preparation of the session [Quality of the translation of the working and information documents]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (e1)	36	53.73%
Good (e2)	23	34.33%
Adequate (e3)	3	4.48%
Poor (e4)	0	0.00%
Not applicable (e5)	5	7.46%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 102(e5)

Preparation of the session [Quality of the translation of the working and information documents]



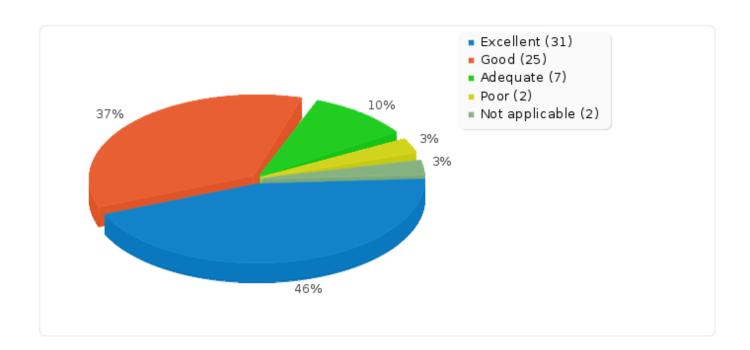
Field summary for 102(e4)

$\label{eq:preparation} Preparation of the session \\ [Clarity and effectiveness of the Secretariat's communication prior to the \\ meeting]$

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (e1)	31	46.27%
Good (e2)	25	37.31%
Adequate (e3)	7	10.45%
Poor (e4)	2	2.99%
Not applicable (e5)	2	2.99%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 102(e4)

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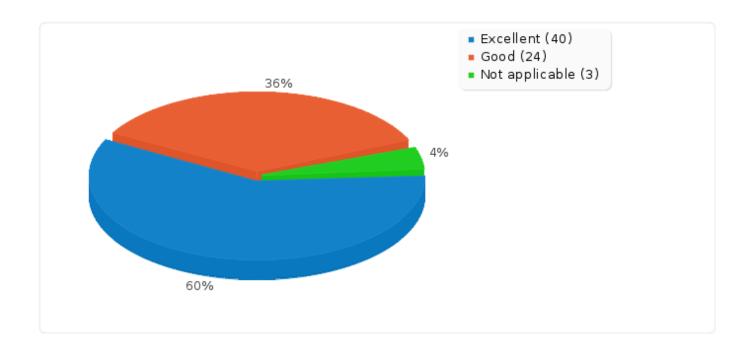
Field summary for 103(e1)

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Your experience during the session \\ [Quality of interpretation in the working languages of the Committee during the session] \\ \\ \end{tabular}$

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (A1)	40	59.70%
Good (A2)	24	35.82%
Adequate (A3)	0	0.00%
Poor (A4)	0	0.00%
Not applicable (A5)	3	4.48%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 103(e1)

 $\label{thm:continuous} \mbox{Your experience during the session} \\ \mbox{[Quality of interpretation in the working languages of the Committee during the session]}$



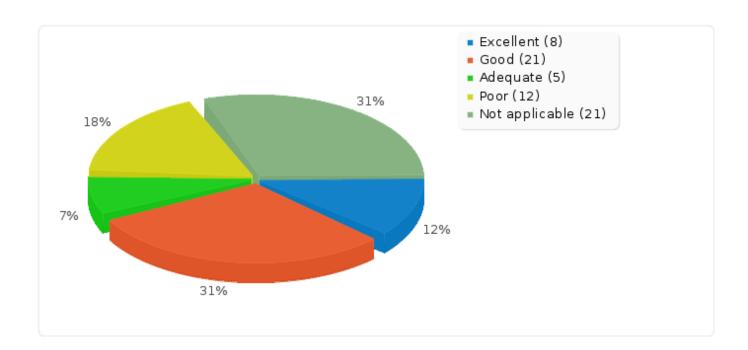
Field summary for 103(e2)

Your experience during the session [Quality of the webcast transmission (live stream)]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (A1)	8	11.94%
Good (A2)	21	31.34%
Adequate (A3)	5	7.46%
Poor (A4)	12	17.91%
Not applicable (A5)	21	31.34%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 103(e2)

Your experience during the session [Quality of the webcast transmission (live stream)]



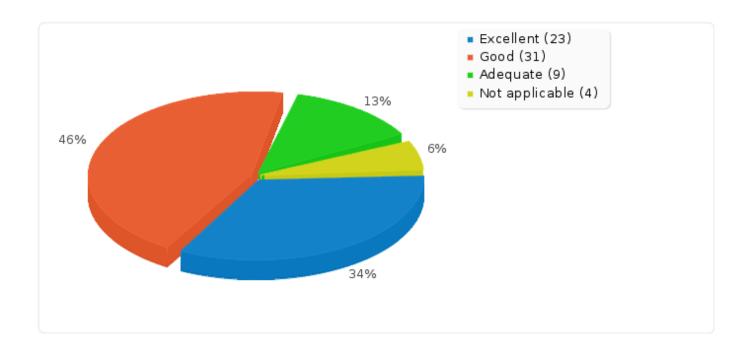
Field summary for 103(e3)

Your experience during the session [Usefulness, clarity and ease of navigation of the Convention website]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (A1)	23	34.33%
Good (A2)	31	46.27%
Adequate (A3)	9	13.43%
Poor (A4)	0	0.00%
Not applicable (A5)	4	5.97%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 103(e3)

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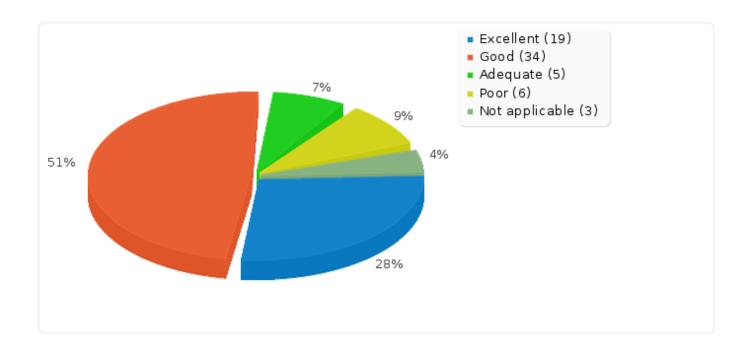
Field summary for 103(e4)

Your experience during the session [Quality of real-time document revision during the session]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (A1)	19	28.36%
Good (A2)	34	50.75%
Adequate (A3)	5	7.46%
Poor (A4)	6	8.96%
Not applicable (A5)	3	4.48%
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Field summary for 103(e4)

Your experience during the session [Quality of real-time document revision during the session]



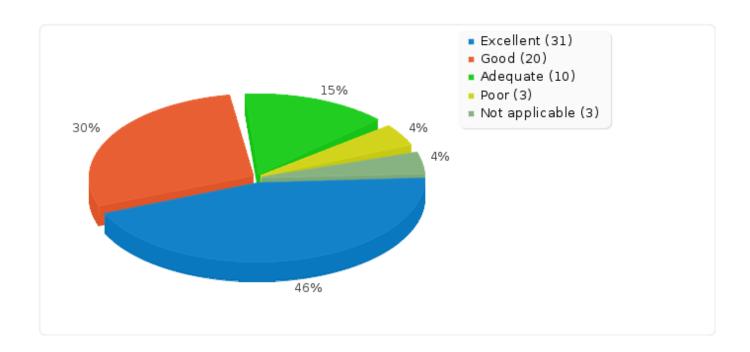
Field summary for 103(e5)

Your experience during the session
[Quality and timeliness of response by the Secretariat to various queries pertaining to the session and the working documents]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (A1)	31	46.27%
Good (A2)	20	29.85%
Adequate (A3)	10	14.93%
Poor (A4)	3	4.48%
Not applicable (A5)	3	4.48%
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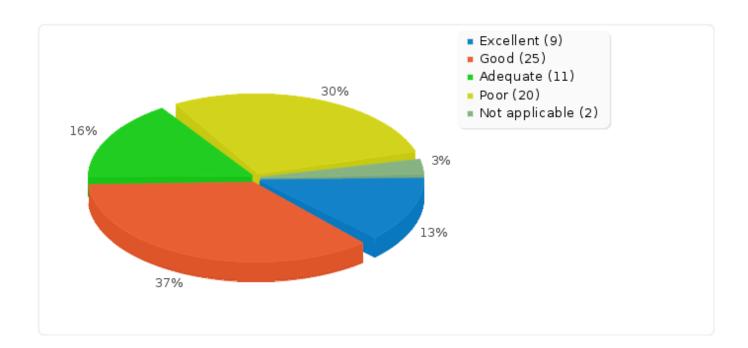
Field summary for 103(e6)

Your experience during the session [Quality of meeting time management]

Answer	Count	Percentage
Excellent (A1)	9	13.43%
Good (A2)	25	37.31%
Adequate (A3)	11	16.42%
Poor (A4)	20	29.85%
Not applicable (A5)	2	2.99%
No answer	0	0.00%
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Field summary for 103(e6)

Your experience during the session [Quality of meeting time management]



Is your participation of the eleventh session of the Committee financed by UNESCO? If yes, please inform us about your experience.

Answer	Count	Percentage
Answer	39	58.21%
No answer	28	41.79%
Not displayed	0	0.00%

- 1 no
- 2 No
- 4 Non
- 5 No
- 6 Yes It was a great experience and wish to participate in future. I wish to take forward the effort of safeguarding intangible heritage and will follow with UNESCO
- 10 No.
- 11 It was well arranged.
- 12 NON
- 15 No
- 19 I was very pleased to take part in the session, having brief intervention and getting excelent experience. Very well organized and moderated event
- 22 The meeting was a great one and i believe it achieved its objectives save for time hitches where the meeting had to go to late night to cover for the agenda of particular days. Overall, the meeting was excellent and indeed a good learning experience.
- 23 Leads NGO working in India on safeguarding ICH and sustainable development of communities for 16 years
- 25 no
- 27 bien
- 28 Oui, c'est une excellente occasion de partager expériences et collaborer avec l'autre État partie à la Convention et les autres organisations internationales. cette rencontre contribuera activement à notre meilleure compréhension concernant la sauvegarde du patrimoine culturel.
- 29 Notre participation a permis de renforcer mes capacités en vue de contribuer efficacement
- à la mise en oeuvre de la convention
- 30 NON PAR MON PAYS LE FINANCEMENT DE MA PARTICIPATION
- 33 non
- 36 Yes
- 37 No.
- 38 Non.

Is your participation of the eleventh session of the Committee financed by UNESCO? If yes, please inform us about your experience.

- 42 NON
- 44 NO
- 53 Une expérience extraordinaire mais qui a permettais beaucoup de questions pour l'avenir!
- 56 No
- 61 Non. J'ai du tout financer toute seule. Ce qui m'a obligée à être dans un hôtel assez loin
- de la conférence. Il serait bien que l'UNESCO signe une convention avec l'hôtel où a lieu
- l'événement, que ce soit dans les limites des moyens de tous, jusqu'à 50% pour ceux qui s'autoprennent en charge (60 à 70 dollars/ jour). Surtout que pour l'année prochaine, ce sera dans
- une ville plus chère. Merci de prendre cela en compte
- 63 NO
- 64 No
- 66 no
- 67 It was a rich experience of knowing the process through which each proposal undergoes. An opportunity of developing contacts, sharing experiences and knowledge. Functioning of ICH-NGO Forum and its role in deliberations of Intergovernmental committee. Based on these experience further insight into and motiation for dedicated work in the field of ICH. India can play useful role in safeguarding ICH as the country is treasure-house of Tangible and Intangible Cultural Heritage. Thankful to UNESCO for extending financial assistance.
- 69 Certain Committee Members spent too much time in 'debating' or 'intervening'in support of certain state party's nominations. There was much unnecessary repetition of the same kind of information. Waste of time in this manner would have been avoided. However, as a person attending for the 1st time, it was a great educational experience on how to prepare a nomination proposal that meets all five criteria.
- 70 Ma participation à la 11ème session du Comité a été financée par l'Unesco. La prise en charge était très bien organisée tant au niveau de la réservation des billets d'avion que du versement du per diem.
- 72 NO
- 73 No
- 74 Not Financed by UNESCO
- 77 no
- 81 non
- 83 Comme c'était ma première participation l'organisation était excellent
- 85 question non comprise

In your opinion, how can the Secretariat further improve its practices?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Answer	45	67.16%
No answer	22	32.84%
Not displayed	0	0.00%

- 1 come through with the online applications
- 2 The secretariat:- 1) Always guide the chair on time management 2) Announcement side meeting should be publish in website as the reference for all 3) House keeping announcement on the facilities that could be use by participant at the conference building 4) Time to be given to those muslim participant to perform Friday prayer and at the same time they won't miss the meeting attendence.. 5) Tools of communication on daily information should be more efficient.
- 3 Secretariat was at its best while facilitating the meeting to be a successful one. Congratulations!
- 5 Better management of timing and presence of a legal adviser
- 6 Although all proceedings were good but discussions need to be more focused and time management could be improve with focused discussion thematic areas and issues
- 9 The meeting time should be maintained and the programs should be well communicated.
- 11 constant communication as usual.
- 12 AVOIR UNE ASSISTANCE JURIDIQUE
- 15 If all countries have similar standing point, they should be encouraged to talk less. Some representatives tend to take a lot of floor what disturbs attention and progress of the sessions, so this should be limited also.
- 16 I do not think the problem is with the Secretariat: the problem was with the highly politiced work of the committee, with an overrepresentation of permanent delegations to Unesco posing as experts in safeguarding Ich. Too little countries send experts. We have to get rid of a treatment of the lists of article 16 by the Committee
- 19 I think that Secretariat works efficiently and adequate
- 20 Maybe even better prepare the Chairpersons in streamlining their leading of the discussions.
- 21 By promptly responding to issues raised by the States Parties and availing every relevant information on the website
- 22 By abiding to the rules of procedure while being flexible in the its practices.
- 23 identifying more areas of NGO engagement as in working groups, reporting etc
- 28 J'espère que la prochaine session du Comité International pour la sauvegarde du patrimoine culturel immatériel devrait résolue à consacrer suffisamment d'espace pour discuter des débats, des idées de concours mis en place et des approches, mais aussi de recommander de nouvelles voies pour localiser la Culture comme faisant partie intégrante du développement durable

In your opinion, how can the Secretariat further improve its practices?

- 29 le secrétariat doit aider le bureau a gérer le temps et a apporter les réponses aux interrogations posées
- 30 en accueillant tous ceux qui viennent par leur propre moyen et leur assurer le transport iterne puis en variant au moins une association ou ONG par PAYS
- 33 gestion plus rigide des discussions qui ont trop souvent déraillé
- 37 Although this is the meeting of Intergovernmental Committee, the fact that almost all member states are also present as observers, the organizer could take it as good opportunity to promote more side-events to exchange experiences, or to present cases of good practice and the expenditures can be born by member states.
- 38 Communiquer encore plus avec les Etats partie concernés par un dossier, et démeurer l'interface entre eux et l'Organe d'évaluation.
- 40 If the documents could be provided online as soon as they are available (if they are ready prior to the 4 weeks before the meeting). Thank you for your endless efforts, they are highly appreciated!
- 42 sans commentaire
- 43 provide more time for the examination of the files. provide for the evaluation team time to communicate with submitting party.
- 44 Create some space for States Parties that are not members of the Committee to make some input however little.
- 50 Through flexibility, communication and more space for dialogue
- 53 Seulement avec le travail de tous et pas contra tous!
- 55 encourage more contact and information sharing between evaluation body and submitting nations prior to the meeting
- 57 By better analyzing past decisions and documents. By better assisting the Committee and Chair where applicable.
- 61 En nous aidant dans l'hôtellerie, c'est la plus grosse dépense.
- 63 No comment.
- 64 By asserting more control and having a stong position in front of the committee when need be
- 67 There is long list of proposals pending for approval. In that case if work of scrutiny and preliminary processing is alloted to the regional Committees and the Committees after doing so, submit proposalwise report to the Convention for final approval, it will save the time and energy of the Evaluation Committee. Long marathon sessions and sittings for hours together may create in members mental fatigue.
- 69 By applying better time management methods.

In your opinion, how can the Secretariat further improve its practices?

70 Je crois que le secrétariat avec les ressources humaines dont il dispose actuellement assure le maximum. Et les résultats sont excellents.

72 The secretariat could have been stronger in pointing to rules, guidelinces and jurisprudence of the Convention, in my opinion most Committee members ignored them too often 73 There is a strong need of reassessment and change in the policies and procedures applied by the Evaluation Body - its quality of performance was extremely low and there was an extremely large number of inappropriate decisions and formulations, ill-founded evaluation and apparent contradictions of their assessment with the information in the nomination files. A careful look at the nomination file shows how many unjust and inappropriate decisions were proposed by the Evaluation Body - completely irresponsibly and without any care about the heavy impact of their decisions. The Secretariat need to do its best to improve the work of the Evaluation Body, as the one demonstrated during this year cycle was obviously not in the spirit of 2003 Convention and could pose extremely negative influence on bearers and communities involved in safeguarding ICH in the respective state parties. Congratulations to the member states of the Intergovernmental Committee, which did whatever was possible to minimize the damages posed by the Evaluation Body and strove hard in delivering a positive sign of encouragement and welcoming spirit to the submitted nominations. Their efforts could guarantee that the spirit of the Convention was not completely lost and that communities and states parties should not be treated in discriminating manner, but would rather be involved - positively and encouragingly for the safeguarding of their ICH.

- 74 Through a proper communication and management prior the meeting with the state parties.
 75 par diverses formations des membres des ONGs accréditées et la mise des programmes de la session en amont de la session proprement dite.
- 76 They need to improve the time. It was very hard to have two night session,. The secretariat hass to control the time.
- 77 LEGAD presence in the meetings
- 80 EN DIRIGEANT LE président du Comité dans la gestion du temps et le contenu de la Convention pour lui éviter d'allonger le débat inutilement en le cadrant et lui faire comprendre que certaines décisions sont contraires à l'esprit de la Convention.
- 84 Provide real amendments of the decision right before the items discussed.
- 85 cerner les enjeux clairement présenter les décisions antérieures pour recadrer les débats accompagner davantage les membres du Comité
- 87 En rappelant autant que possible les décisions antérieures du Comité sur des questions cruciales, notamment les inscriptions sur les listes.

Any additional comments?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Answer	34	50.75%
No answer	33	49.25%
Not displayed	0	0.00%

- 2 None, Thank you
- 3 It was a very well organized meeting. Delegates will return home from Addis Ababa with the unforgettable memories of warm hospitality and great cooperation.
- 6 If annotated agenda are many, then number of session or day may have to be extended. Personally in some issues there are unlimited debates and in some it was just hurried approach. Based on agenda and number of session may have to adjusted
- 11 Non
- 15 Including observer countries in commenting on the files online, comments should be only visible to Secretariat and Evaluation Body, and on that basis further evaluation of nomination files and other issues could be made more efficient without big discrepancies between the bodies of the 2003 Convention and countries.
- 16 Please try to save the convention. This committee meeting was not a good exemple, as not sufficient respect was shown for the evaluation body. Several committee members have played a sad role.
- 19 no
- 21 The committee should respect the views and recommendations expressed by the Evaluation Body
- 22 A well organized meeting. Hope for a better meeting next year taking into considerations improvements suggested by all participants of the meeting.
- 23 The Evaluation Committee rec. needs more cognition -
- 28 Au nom de Ministère de l'Information, Culture et tourisme, profite de cette occasion pour exprimer notre plus haute reconnaissance et remerciements au Secrétaire du PCI pour cette appuie.
- 29 Je souhaites succès à la convention de 2003
- 30 organisation locale peut faire mieux mais eviter à la restauration de faire de distinction d'invites surtout que les locaux mangent avec les VIP
- 33 procédures de visas sur place n'ont pas du tout fonctionné; autrement généreuse réception de la part du pays hôte.

Any additional comments?

36 I appreciate UNESCO's efforts to increase the role of NGOs in contribution to intangible cultural heritage. NGOs are very important facilitators among communities and government institutions. Sometimes state parties stand on the distance from NGOs since they are not eager to be transparent and and they do not want to hear any critics. But when respected and well-known organisations like UNESCO support NGOs, state parties understand the importance of cooperation and collaboration with NGOs. Therefore I want to thank UNESCO ICH Sector to choose to support NGOs working on safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage.

- 37 This is also good opportunity for new member states to be given proper orientation.
- 38 Mettre de l'ordre lors de la réunion: 1) reglementer les déplacements au cours de la réunion; 2) Ne se deplacer pour féliciter une délégation qu'à la pause ou à la fin; 3) Ne pas hésiter à demander si l'intervenant veut donner une idée ou une argumentation différente de celui ou celle qui le ou la précède, etc.
- 40 Thanks for the excellent organisation and ad hoc support!
- 42 sans commentaire
- 44 Ease visa application process before departure from home countries by: a) sending individualized official invitation letters to participants after registering online; and b) responding individually to their queries. Also facilitate quicker processing through immigration on arrival by host country.
- 50 Give focus and work with developing state parties to crate their over all capacity
- 53 On doit changé le processe de sauvegarde du patrimoine culturel immatériel! Je pense que l'actuel processe est fini!
- 55 excellent organization of the meeting as a whole
- 61 La conférence de cette année a été plus intéressante que l'ordinaire, parce que les personnes qui représentent les états sont parties pleines d'espoir. Je pense qu'il y aura plus de souplesse à l'avenir. Du moins il faut aller vers ça. Les Etats viennent à l'UNESCO parce qu'ils croient à leur patrimoine et veulent le rendre plus visible. Si elles ne savent pas faire, l'élément n'est pas moins intéressant. Il faut juste leur apprendre et mieux les accompagner. Ce serait aussi très bien de penser à lancer un deuxième cycle de formation d'experts, voire plus, pour créer des pools par région. Il serait tout aussi intéressant de proposer aux états cette formation sans contrepartie, puisqu'ils paient par ailleurs. Merci

Any additional comments?

- 67 Region wise NGO meetings be encouraged.
- 69 I felt the play of politics in the proceedings. This is not the right way to proceed in a decision making process. Something has to be done in order to avoid 'politicization' and be guided by reason and logic in making decisions.

70 RAS

- 72 It is a pity that not more delegates in the Committe were able to defend the basic principles of the Convention. The wish to get their own nominations accepted and seemed to overrule going by rules almost totally.
- 73 The final decisions of the Committee and the way they managed to overcome the perils of the unfounded and harmful decisions of the Evaluation Body was a very good sign for all delegations present in the room and showed a path whose wisdom should be followed in next policies of evaluating nominations and in next Committee sessions in the future.
- 74 Non.
- 75 La 11è Session s'est bien déroulée et nous en sommes fiers, mais comme toute oeuvre humaine, il y eu toujours d'imperfections qui vous seront communiquées plutard.
- 77 Politization of the Convention shall be avoided at any stance and more stronger comments from the Secretariat on this issue might be considered
- 85 proposer des solutions pour sauvegarder la crédibilité de la convention, surtout au niveau des inscriptions
- 87 La 11e session est unique dans les annales du Comité. Et pas au sens positif!

You are attending the tenth session of the Intergovernmental Committee as:

Answer	Count	Percentag
State Member of the Committee (A1)	13	e 19.40%
State Party to the Convention which is not Member of the Committee (A2)	36	53.73%
State not party (A3)	1	1.49%
NGO (A4)	14	20.90%
Other	3	4.48%
No answer	0	0.00%
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