

Name of Institute/Centre	<b>Regional Centre for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage in South-Eastern Europe, Sofia, Bulgaria</b>
Year of creation	2011
UNESCO focal point	Cécile Duvelle, CLT/CEH/ITH
Statutes and agreements	Agreement signed on 25 October 2010
Thematic specialization	Contribute to the implementation of the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in the South-Eastern European sub-region; enhance the capacity of the Member States in safeguarding ICH; coordinate, exchange and disseminate information and foster regional and international cooperation for safeguarding ICH.
Geographic coverage	South-Eastern Europe
Is the agreement in compliance with UNESCO's integrated comprehensive strategy (35 C/22 and Corr.) adopted at the 35 <sup>th</sup> session of UNESCO's General Conference in 2009?	The agreement is in compliance with the fundamental provisions of the integrated comprehensive strategy, but minor changes will need to be made in the event of renewal.
Governing Board	<p>General Assembly to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) two representatives of the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria (Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Foreign Affairs) or their appointed representatives;</li> <li>(b) a representative of each of the Member States which have sent to the Centre notification for membership, in accordance with the stipulations of Article 12, paragraph 2, below and have expressed interest in being represented on the Assembly;</li> <li>(c) a representative of the Director-General of UNESCO;</li> <li>(d) a representative of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences;</li> <li>(e) a representative of the Bulgarian National Commission for UNESCO;</li> <li>(f) up to two representatives of any other intergovernmental organizations or international nongovernmental organizations, which can be accorded a seat by the decision of the General Assembly.</li> </ul>
UNESCO staff detached	None

Financial contributions	2010-2011	
	Regular programme (please provide details, i.e. cost of undertaking the feasibility study, activities, implemented through contractual arrangements, costs of participating in the governing boards, other)	Substantial investment of Regular Programme staff time; no out-of-pocket expenses
	Extrabudgetary (please provide details)	None
	Total	
	Centre or Institute's Budget and sources of financing	Not yet operational
	Has the Institute or Centre been audited, if yes by whom and what were the results?	No
Contribution to UNESCO's programme results at the Main Lines of Action (MLA) level in the 35 C/5	Centre is linked to CLT Main line of action 2: Safeguarding living heritage, particularly through the promotion and implementation of the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage; it is not yet operational and has thus made no contribution to date to the expected results of that MLA	
Does the institute or centre contribute to the implementation of a UNESCO sector strategy, if yes, please indicate how?	The Centre is intended to contribute to the Culture Sector's strategy for implementation of the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage	
Was a review carried out by UNESCO on the Centre/Institute's contribution to the Strategic Programme Objectives of the	Not applicable; centre is not yet operational and agreement will not expire until 2016	

<p>Organization prior to the expiration of the Institute/Centre's agreement?</p> <p>If yes, please provide a short synopsis of the results of this review (no more than 100 words max)</p>	
<p>Last external evaluation</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Has this centre/institute promoted best practices in promoting South-South, North-South and triangular cooperation, if yes, please provide a brief synopsis (100 words max)</p>	<p>Centre is not yet operational</p>