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Sixth Meeting for the Promotion of the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

ALGIERS¹, 5 to 6 January 2005

AGENDA

Wednesday 5th January 2005

9h00 - 10h00	Registration of participants
10h00 - 11h00	Opening Session
10h00 - 10h15	Opening speech by H.E Mr Koïchiro Matsuura, Director-General of UNESCO
10h15 - 10h30	Welcome speech by H.E. Mrs Khalida Toumi, Minister of Culture of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria
10h30 - 10h45	Welcome speech by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria (pending official confirmation)
10h45 – 11h00	Speech by H.E Mr Teiichi Sato, Ambassador of Japan to France and Permanent Delegate to UNESCO
11h00 – 11h15	Coffee Break
11h15 – 11h45	Press Conference
11h45 – 12h00	Election of the Bureau (President, vice-president and rapporteur) and adoption of the agenda
12h00 - 13h00	Session I "Introducing intangible cultural heritage"
12h00 – 12h15	Recapitulation on the 2003 Convention (by H.E Mr Mohammed Bedjaoui, President of the Algerian Constitutional Council and Member of UNESCO Executive Board)

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12h15 – 12h45	Definition and domains of the intangible cultural heritage (article 2 of the Convention) by Mr Rieks Smeets, Chief of the Section for intangible heritage, Division of cultural heritage, UNESCO)
12h45 – 13h00	Discussion
13h00 - 14h00	Lunch
14h00 - 16h00	Session II : Theoretical aspects of safeguarding intangible cultural heritage
14h00 – 14h30	The impact and future of the <i>Proclamation of Masterpieces of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity</i> (by Mr Rieks Smeets, Chief of the Section for intangible heritage, Division of cultural heritage, UNESCO)
14h30 – 14h45	Links between tangible and intangible cultural heritage in Africa (by H.E. Mr Yai, Ambassador of Benin to France and Permanent Delegate to UNESCO) - expert
14h45 – 15h15	The importance of the 2003 Convention (by Mr Sid Ahmed Baghli) - expert
15h15 – 15h45	Discussion
15h45 – 16h00	Coffee Break
16h00 – 18h00	Session III: The legal aspects of safeguarding intangible cultural heritage (by Mr Guido Carducci, Chief of the International Standards Section, Division of cultural heritage, UNESCO)
16h00 - 16h30	Safeguarding on a national level
16h30 - 17h00	Safeguarding on an international level
17h00 – 17h30	How to become Party to the 2003 Convention?
17h30 - 18h00	Discussion

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9h00 – 16h00	Session IV: Practical aspects of safeguarding intangible cultural heritage
9h00 – 11h00	(Start) National reports (Arab States) – (Mr Slimane Hachi, national algerian expert)
11h00 – 11h15	Coffee Break
11h15 – 13h00	(End) National reports (Arab States)
13h00 - 14h00	Lunch
14h00 – 15h30	National reports (other States)
15h30 - 16h00	Discussion
16h00 – 16h30	Coffee Break
16h30 – 17h00	Session V: Final report and recommendations
17h00 – 17h15	Adoption of recommendations
17h15 – 18h00	Final remarks and closing speech by Mr Mounir Bouchenaki, Assistant Director-General for Culture, UNESCO (or if accompanying the DG on an official visit, Mrs Rosamaria Durand, Head, UNESCO Rabat Office)
19h00	Official Reception offered by the Algerian authorities (pending confirmation)