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Intangible Cultural Heritage

Information and exchange meeting

Seventeenth session of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

4 October 2022

3 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Room II

PART I – Seventeenth session of the Intergovernmental Committee



Violin player at Jemaa el-Fna Square with crowd of people and smog of the market © Shutterstock



Registration of participants

<https://ich.unesco.org/en/registration-01270>

Calendar of side-events

<https://ich.unesco.org/en/calendar-of-events-01278>

Date and venue

- From Monday 28 November to Saturday 3 December 2022
- Opening ceremony on Sunday 27 November 2022
- Sofitel Rabat Jardin des Roses

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Sessions and Participants

- Daily sessions from 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. (break between 12.30 to 2.30 p.m.)
- General Information Document (INF.1) provides practical information on hotels and transportation.
- Open to observers from States Parties, States not party, intergovernmental organizations, accredited NGOs, etc.

Sessions and Participants

- Participation costs for representatives from developing States, Members of the Committee or not, and accredited NGOs may be covered by the Fund for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage.
- One request for one expert per State Member shall be considered for such assistance from the Fund: ‘...only for persons who are experts in intangible cultural heritage’ (Rule 5.4, Rules of Procedure of the Committee).
- Deadline for submission of requests was 3 October 2022 (extended for an additional week).

Working languages

- ‘The working languages of the Committee shall be English and French’ Rule 41 Rules of Procedures of the Committee
- Spanish interpretation will also be generously provided by the government of Spain



Role of the Committee

- Defined under Article 7 of the Convention
- Gives recommendations to the General Assembly on issues such as:
 - Drafting Operational Directives
 - Use of resources of the Fund
 - Accreditation of NGOs, etc.
- Inscribes elements on the Lists (Urgent Safeguarding List, Representative List), selects Good Safeguarding Practices and grants International Assistance when submitted with nominations.

Intergovernmental Committee

- 24 States Parties
- Elected by the General Assembly respecting the principle of equitable geographic representation and rotation.
- For a term of four years; every two years the General Assembly renews half of the members.

Committee Members

Group I

Germany	2022-2026
Sweden	2020-2024
Switzerland	2020-2024

Group II

Czechia	2020-2024
Slovakia	2022-2026
Uzbekistan	2022-2026

Group III

Brazil	2020-2024
Panama	2020-2024
Paraguay	2022-2026
Peru	2020-2024

Committee Members

Group IV

Bangladesh	2022-2026
India	2022-2026
Malaysia	2022-2026
Republic of Korea	2020-2024
Viet Nam	2022-2026

Group V(a)

Angola	2022-2026
Botswana	2020-2024
Burkina Faso	2022-2026
Côte d'Ivoire	2020-2024
Ethiopia	2022-2026
Rwanda	2020-2024

Group V(b)

Mauritania	2022-2026
Morocco	2020-2024
Saudi Arabia	2020-2024

Bureau

- Chairperson: H.E. Mr Samir Addahre (Morocco)
- Vice-Chairpersons: Switzerland, Czechia, Panama, Republic of Korea and Botswana
- Rapporteur: Mr Ramiro Maurice Silva Rivera (Peru)

Documents

- Working documents (LHE/22/17.COM/X): request a decision by the Committee
- Information documents (LHE/22/17.COM/INF.X): do not require any decision
- Numbered according to the item on the agenda
- Nominations, requests and reports are also available through the website

Will be published online by 31 October, 4 weeks before the session

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- Working documents
- Information documents
- Reports on the status of the elements inscribed on the USL
- Reports on the implementation of the Convention in States Parties in Europe
- Nominations , requests and proposals
- An online registration page (a preliminary list of participants is already online)

Order of debate

- Only speakers recognized by Chairperson may have the floor.



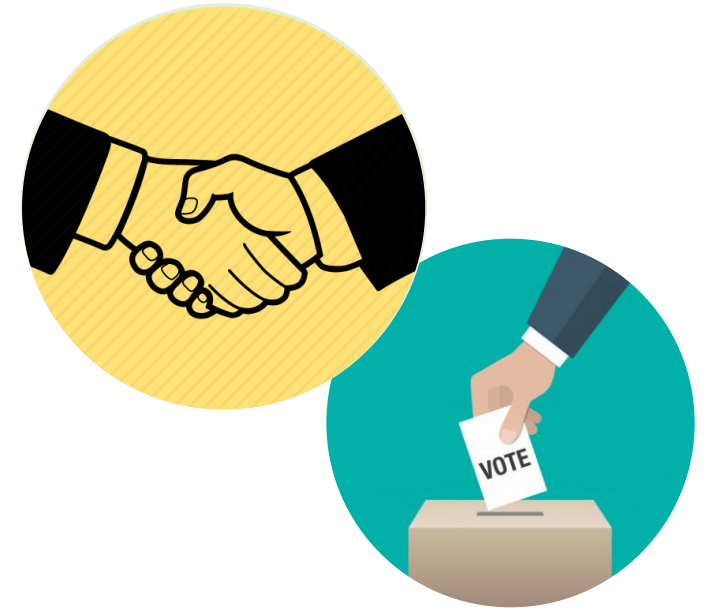
Speakers are asked to limit their interventions.

The Chairperson has the right to use a timer if he deems it necessary.

- Only Committee Members may intervene during the adoption of decisions.

Decision-making

- Consensus is privileged
- In case of voting:
 - Each State Member has one vote
 - Decisions by a simple majority (13 out of 24)
 - Some by a two-third majority (16 out of 24)
 - Amendment or suspension to the Rules of Procedure
 - Convening an extraordinary Committee session
 - Amending, deleting or adding items to the agenda



Amendments

- To be submitted to ICH-amendments@unesco.org
- Please indicate the name of your country.
- The form will be available on the 17.COM webpage.



Monday, 28 November 2022

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- 1 Opening
- 2 Adoption of the agenda
- 3 Observers
- 4.a Adoption of the summary records of the sixteenth session of the Committee
- 4.b Adoption of the summary records of the fifth extraordinary session of the Committee
- 5 Report by the Secretariat on its activities (January to June 2022)

Monday, 28 November 2022

AFTERNOON

6.a

Examination of the reports by States Parties on the current status of elements inscribed on the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding

6.b

Examination of the reports of the first cycle of periodic reporting on the implementation of the Convention and on the current status of elements inscribed on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity by States Parties in Europe

6.c

Update on the first cycle of periodic reporting on the implementation of the Convention and on the current status of elements inscribed on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity by States Parties in Latin America and the Caribbean (2021 Cycle) in the Arab States (2023 Cycle) and in Africa (2024 Cycle)

Tuesday, 29 November 2022

MORNING

6.d

Reports by States Parties on the use of
International Assistance from the Intangible
Cultural Heritage Fund

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Report of the Evaluation Body on its work in
2022 (Part I)

Tuesday, 29 November 2022

AFTERNOON

7.a

Examination of nominations for inscription on the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding

7.b

Examination of nominations for inscription on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity

Wednesday, 30 November 2022

7.b

Examination of nominations for inscription
on the Representative List of the Intangible
Cultural Heritage of Humanity

Thursday, 1 December 2022

MORNING

7.b

Examination of nominations for inscription on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity

7.c

Examination of proposals to the Register of Good Safeguarding Practices

Thursday, 1 December 2022

AFTERNOON

- 7.d Examination of requests for International Assistance
- 7 Report of the Evaluation Body on its work in 2022 (Part II)
- 8 Follow-up on elements inscribed on the Lists of the Convention
- 9 Report of the non-governmental organizations forum

Friday, 2 December 2022

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Update on the reflection on the broader implementation of Article 18 of the Convention

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Strategy for the monitoring, evaluation and identification of lessons learnt for International Assistance projects

Friday, 2 December 2022

AFTERNOON

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Intangible Cultural Heritage Fund: voluntary supplementary contributions and other issues

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Thematic initiatives on living heritage and sustainable development

Saturday, 3 December 2022

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Establishment of the Evaluation Body for the 2023 cycle (Part I)

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Number of files submitted for the 2022 and 2023 cycles and number of files that can be treated in the 2024 and 2025 cycles

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Date and venue of the eighteenth session of the Committee

Saturday, 3 December 2022

AFTERNOON

- 17 Election of the members of the Bureau of the eighteenth session of the Committee
- 14 Establishment of the Evaluation Body for the 2023 cycle (Part II)
- 18 Other business
- 19 Adoption of the list of decisions
- 20 Closure

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