UNESCO Conference on Intangible Cultural Heritage
February 17 – 19, 2005
Roseau, Dominica

AGENDA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

7:30 pm – 8:15 pm : OPENING CEREMONY

Chair: Mr Alwin Bully, Senior Programme Specialist for Culture

Hon. Roosevelt Skerrit, Prime Minister of Dominica
   Welcome and Opening Remarks

Mr Koichiro Matsuura, Director-General – UNESCO
   Address and Opening of Conference

His Excellency Dr. Nicholas Liverpool, President of Dominica

8:15 pm – 9:30 pm : STATE RECEPTION

Host: His Excellency the President

Cultural performances
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:00am – 9.15am : WELCOME

Chair: Alwin Bully

Hon. Matthew Walter, Minister of Culture, Dominica,

Welcome Remarks

9.15am – 10.00am  Session I:  Background and definitions

Prof. The Hon Rex Nettleford

Discussion

10:00am– 10:15am  BREAK

10:15am – 11:30am

Mr Rieks Smeets, Chief – Intangible Heritage Section, UNESCO, Paris

Brief History of the UNESCO Convention 2003
The definition and the domains of the Intangible Cultural Heritage according to article 2.2 of the Convention
The link between the Intangible and Tangible Cultural Heritage

Discussion

11:30am – 12:45pm   Session II:

Dr Lennox Honychurch, Historian, Anthropologist, Dominica

- “Intangible Cultural Heritage as a factor in national and Caribbean identity”

AND/OR “Carnival as a factor in the intangible cultural heritage of the Caribbean” OR “Pre-colombian elements in the Caribbean intangible cultural heritage”

Discussion
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm : LUNCH

2:30pm – 4:00pm  Session III: The State of Protection of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in the region

National Reports

4:00 pm – 4:15 pm  BREAK

4:15pm – 5:15pm  Session IV: Various aspects of the Convention

Mr Rieks Smeets, Chief, Intangible Heritage Section
The impact of the program of the Proclamation of the Masterpieces of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity
Safeguarding at the national level: inventories; role of communities.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:00am – 9:45am  Session V

Hon. Joan Yuille-Williams, Ministry of Culture, Trinidad & Tobago – Session Keynote
- Intangible Cultural Heritage and National Development
(TO BE CONFIRMED)

9.45am – 10.45am  Session VI: Contribution UNESCO Paris: Legal aspects

Hon. Mia Mottley, Attorney General, Barbados - Session Keynote
The Intangible cultural Heritage – Legal Implications
TO BE CONFIRMED

Mr Guido Carducci, Chief of the International Standards Section
- Concepts, definitions and principles of the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage
- National and international safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage
- Institutions and Lists of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in the Convention of 2003
- The differences between the Convention of 2003 and other legal instruments of UNESCO
- Why and how to ratify the 2003 Convention?

Discussion
10.45am – 11:00am  BREAK

11.00am – 12:45pm Session VII : The State of Protection of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in the region

Remaining National reports

1:00 pm – 2.00pm : LUNCH

3:00pm - 5:00pm : Session VIII : Closing session

Chair: (TO BE CONFIRMED)

Presentation of the final report
Adoption of recommendations

Closing Ceremony:

Feature Address: His Excellency Michael Abiola Omolewa
Vote of thanks/closing Remarks: Dr. Alexandra Burton James, Sec. Gen. Nat Com