REPORT BY A NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION ACCREDITED TO ACT IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY TO THE COMMITTEE ON ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION

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Please provide only the information requested below.
Annexes or other additional materials cannot be accepted.

A. Identification of the organization

A.1. Name of the organization submitting this report

A.1.a. Provide the full official name of the organization in its original language, as it appears on the official documents.

Trung tâm Nghiên cứu, Hỗ trợ và Phát triển Văn hoá

A.1.b. Name of the organization in English and/or French.

Center for Research, Support and Development of Culture

A.1.c. Accreditation number of the organization (as indicated in all previous correspondence: NGO-90XXX)

NGO-90131

A.2. Address of the organization

Provide the complete postal address of the organization, as well as additional contact information such as its telephone number, email address, website, etc. This should be the postal address where the organization carries out its business, regardless of where it may be legally domiciled. In the case of internationally active organizations, please provide the address of the headquarters.

Organization: Center for Research, Support and Development of Culture

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A.3. Contact person for correspondence

Provide the complete name, address and other contact information of the person responsible for correspondence concerning this report.

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B. Contribution of the organization to the implementation of the Convention at the national and international levels (Chapter III and Article 19 of the Convention, paragraph 156 of the Operational Directives)¹

Distinguish between completed activities and ongoing activities contributing to the eight thematic areas of the Convention's Overall Results Framework², as well as to the preparation of periodic reports, nominations, proposals and requests under the Convention’s international cooperation mechanisms. If you have not contributed, this should be indicated. Also describe any obstacles or difficulties that your organization may have encountered in such participation.

B.1. Describe your organization’s contribution to strengthening institutional and human capacities for safeguarding intangible cultural heritage.

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization has organized some short courses for training human resources for safeguarding ICH.

¹ In case your organization operates in several States, please indicate clearly which State or States are concerned by your answers where appropriate.
² For further information on the Overall Results Framework, please refer to the Chapter 8 of the Basic Texts of the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage: https://ich.unesco.org/en/basic-texts-00503
B.2. Describe your organization’s participation in activities related to the transmission of and education for intangible cultural heritage. Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals. 

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization has participated in transmission of education for ICH via implementing ICH projects, hold workshops, do fieldtrips with communities and researchers to protect and promote ICH.

B.3. Describe your organization’s participation in the inventorying and research of intangible cultural heritage. Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals. 

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization cooperated with Vietnamese Women Museum in research ICH. In particularly, our organization cooperated with Vietnamese Women Museum did research on Mother Goodess religion and life of spirit mediums, ICH of this religion, hold study tours, interviewed communities and spirit mediums.

B.4. Describe your organization’s participation in developing policies, as well as legal and administrative measures, for safeguarding intangible cultural heritage. Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals. 

Not to exceed 250 words

In last years our organization has not participated in those activities.

B.5. Describe your organization’s participation in promoting the role of intangible cultural heritage and its safeguarding in society. Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals. 

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization cooperated with Vietnamese Women Museum in promoting the role as well as values of Mother Goodess and its safeguarding in Society through the special exhibition “Worshipping the Mother Goddess: Pure Heart - Beauty – Joy”.

B.6. Describe your organization’s participation in raising awareness about intangible cultural heritage. Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals. 

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization participated in raising awareness about ICH through the works with spirit mediums: our organization did workshops, interviews.

B.7. Describe your organization’s participation in facilitating the engagement of communities, groups and individuals, as well as other stakeholders, for safeguarding intangible cultural heritage. 

Not to exceed 250 words

Through the works with spirit mediums, our organization has participated in facilitating the engagement of them for safeguarding ICH. They deeply understand the roles and values of Mother Goddess Religion and them has responsibilities for safeguarding the religion – an important part of their spiritual life.
B.8. Describe your organization’s engagement in cooperation at the bilateral, subregional, regional or international levels for the implementation of the Convention, including initiatives such as the exchange of information and experience, and other joint initiatives.

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization has not engagement in cooperation at those levels.

B.9. Describe your organization’s involvement in or contribution to the drafting of the national Periodic Report on the implementation of the Convention.

Not to exceed 250 words

Before submitting the national Periodic Report, the government organized a workshop with the participation of stakeholders to comment on the draft report. We are invited to give comment.

B.10. Describe your organization’s participation in the preparation of nominations to the Urgent Safeguarding List or Representative List, requests for International Assistance or proposals of Good Safeguarding Practices.

Not to exceed 250 words

In last years our organization has not participated in this activity.

C. Cooperation with UNESCO

Has your organization carried out activities in cooperation with UNESCO? If yes, please tick the relevant boxes and provide information in the box below.

- Direct cooperation with UNESCO (Headquarters and Field Offices)
- Activities for which you have received the authorization to use the emblem of UNESCO/of the 2003 Convention
- Cooperation through the 2003 Convention’s Global Network of Facilitators
- Cooperation with Category 2 Centres
- Cooperation with National Commissions for UNESCO
- Cooperation with UNESCO Chairs
- Financial support from the Intangible Cultural Heritage Fund
- Financial support from the Participation Programme
- Other types of cooperation

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization had got financial support to served as a member of the Consultative Body and the Subsidiary Body for the evaluation by the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the ICH of nomination files for inscription on the Urgent Safeguarding List. In 2019, one member of our organization also had received financial support from UNESCO to participated in Consultation meeting on the role of accredited NGOs under the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the ICH.
D. Participation in the work of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

D.1 Has your organization participated in the sessions of the Committee? If so, please indicate which sessions you attended and whether you had any specific role during these meetings.  

Not to exceed 250 words

From 2012-2014 our organization was served as a member of the Consultative Body and the Subsidiary Body for the evaluation by the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the ICH of nomination files for inscription on the Urgent Safeguarding List.

D.2 Has your organization served as a member of the Evaluation Body (paragraphs 26 to 31 of the Operational Directives), or as a member of the Consultative Body (between 2012 and 2014)? If so, please indicate the period.  

Not to exceed 100 words

Yes, our organization served as a member of the Consultative Body, from 2012-2014.

D.3 In what way(s) has your organization provided advisory services to the Committee (paragraph 96 of the Operational Directives) or in what way(s) do you foresee that it might provide such services in the future?  

Not to exceed 500 words

Representative of our organization attended offline meeting of the Committee at the UNESCO headquarter. In the future, our organization is willing to provide such services.

E. Capacities of your organization to evaluate nominations, proposals and requests (paragraphs 27 and 96 of the Operational Directives):

E.1. Nominations, proposals and requests are available for evaluation only in English or French. Do members of your organization or your staff have a very good command of English or French? If so, please indicate which language(s) and the number of those members or staff.  

Not to exceed 250 words

Two members of our organization have good command of English.

E.2. Does your organization have experience in working across several intangible cultural heritage domains? Please describe your experiences.  

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization have experience in working across several ICH domain. One of our organization’s projects is researching and collecting cultural heritage of people and communities in human ecological environment of Thai Nguyen province in Vietnam. In this project, our organization carried out researches relating to this theme and organized intensive training courses on methods and techniques of researching, collecting and safeguarding cultural heritage to the staff of The Museum of Ethnic Minorities’ Cultures of Thai Nguyen province. By organizing the courses and participating in researching and collecting cultural heritage on that project, our organization had hand over the skills and knowledge to the local communities.

Another our experience is cooperated with Vietnamese Women Museum organized training workshops and fieldwork for the implementation of the special exhibition “Worshipping the Mother Goddess: Pure Heart – Beauty – Joy”. The project helps the spirit mediums protect and promote the values as well as the roles of Worshipping the Mother Goddess in Vietnamese
society.
Our organization has more experiences via implemented project “Exploring new values for religious dialogue and symbiosis: a study of the integration of Vietnamese and Catholic cultures”. This project has carried out the fieldworks, interviews and work with different Catholic communities of the Viet majority and Lach minority in Vietnam, help to educated them awareness raising to protect and promote their ICH property.

E.3. Describe the experience of your organization in evaluating and analysing documents such as proposals or applications.

From 2012-2014 our organization was served as a member of the Consultative Body and the Subsidiary Body for the evaluation by the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the ICH of nomination files for inscription on the Urgent Safeguarding List. Our representative attended some offline meeting at UNESCO Headquarter.

E.4. Does your organization have experience in drafting synthetic texts in English or French? Please describe your experience and indicate in which language(s) and the number of those members or staff.

Our organization has experience in drafting synthetic texts in English. 2 members of our organization were served as a member of the Consultative Body and the Subsidiary Body for the evaluation by the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the ICH of nomination files for inscription on the Urgent Safeguarding List. They had to research the proposals/applications and then wrote the comments/evaluation in English before attending the offline meeting.

E.5. Does your organization have experience in working at the international level or the capacity to apply local experience to an international context? Please describe such experience.

Our organization has not got this experience yet.

F. Membership in the ICH NGO Forum

Indicate below whether your organization wishes to (continue to) be part of the ICH NGO Forum. Please note that membership is contingent upon the decision of the Committee to maintain the accreditation of your organization.


☐ Yes  ☐ No

G. Signature

The report must include the name and signature of the person empowered to sign it on behalf of your organization.

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