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Global reflection meeting on the periodic reporting mechanisms of the 2003 Convention

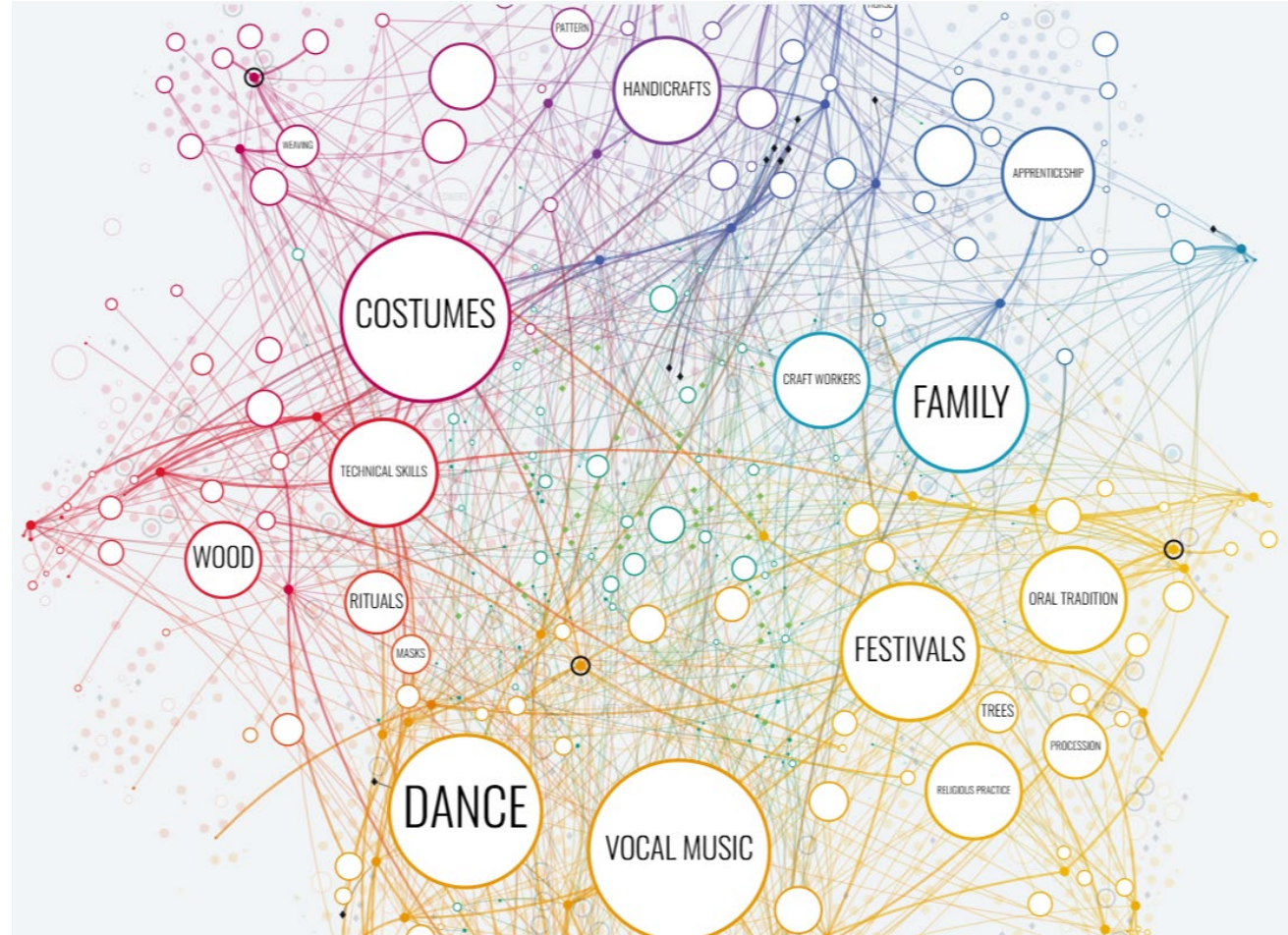
Item 3c: Recent developments on the Register of Good Safeguarding Practices and possible reporting (or not) on the programmes, projects and activities selected for that mechanism

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Register of Good Safeguarding Practices

- Implementation of Article 18 of the Convention
- Operational since 2009 (criteria, Form ICH-03)
- Since 2009, 43 programmes, projects and activities from 36 States selected by the Committee



Reflection on a broader implementation of Article 18 of the 2003 Convention (since 2023)

Reinforcing synergy between international cooperation mechanisms

- New possibility to request the inclusion of a safeguarding experience in the Register (as part of a request to transfer an element from USL to RL)

Increasing accessibility of the Register

- Four simplified criteria (G.1 to G.4) that all need to be met
- Simplified Form ICH-03 for proposals
- Encouraged use of audiovisual materials to bring the voice of communities to the forefront

Implementing Article 18 more broadly

- Ongoing establishment of an online platform for sharing good safeguarding experiences



Register of Good Safeguarding Practices and periodic reporting



- Currently Register is present in periodic reporting Form ICH-10 but no dedicated full fledged monitoring mechanism
- Growing interest in capturing post-selection experiences
- Objective would be to flexibly allow the collection of updated information while avoiding burdens for States and communities
- Way forward could be to encourage updates on programmes selected in 'existing' sections of Form
- Possibility to also capture achievements of States in implementing Article 18 beyond the Register

1. Any questions about the approach taken to simplify and streamline the reporting forms?
2. Any remarks or experiences you wish to share on the reporting on USL elements?
3. Any further suggestions on how to evaluate the effectiveness of programmes selected for the Register (while not proposed as a specific reporting mechanism)?