Information and exchange session for Members of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

3 October 2019
3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Room XI

14.COM
Webpage

Date and venue

• From Monday 9 December to Saturday 14 December 2019

• Agora Bogotá Centro de convenciones in Bogotá, Colombia

https://agora-bogota.com/
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.
Intergovernmental Committee:

- 24 States Parties
- Elected by the General Assembly following the principles of equitable geographic representation and rotation
- Four-year term; every two years, the General Assembly renews half of the members
Role of the Committee

- Make recommendations to the General Assembly on issues such as:
  - Drafting Operational Directives
  - Use of resources of the Fund
  - Accreditation of NGOs, etc.
- Inscribe elements on the Lists (Urgent Safeguarding List, Representative List), select Good Safeguarding Practices and grant international assistance greater than US$100,000, etc.
Committee Members

**Group I**
- Austria 2016-2020
- Cyprus 2016-2020
- Netherlands 2018-2022

**Group II**
- Armenia 2016-2020
- Azerbaijan 2018-2022
- Poland 2018-2022

**Group III**
- Colombia 2016-2020
- Cuba 2016-2020
- Guatemala 2016-2020
- Jamaica 2018-2022
## Committee Members

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Sessions and participants

- Open to observers from States Parties, States not party, intergovernmental organizations, accredited NGOs, and registered public in the limit of available space.

- Participation costs for representatives from developing States Parties (Committee members or not) and accredited NGOs may be covered by the Fund.

- **One request for one expert per State Party** 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).
Bureau

COMPOSITION

- **Chairperson:** Ms María Claudia Lopez Sorzano (Colombia)
- **Rapporteur:** Mr Bernard Jankee (Jamaica)
- **Vice-Chairpersons:** Austria, Poland, Philippines, Zambia and Palestine
Documents

- Working documents (LHE/19/14.COM/X):
  - request a decision by the Committee
- Information documents (LHE/19/14.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 8 November, 4 weeks before the Committee Session
Webpage

CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- Working documents
- Information documents
- Reports on the status of the elements inscribed on the USL
- Nominations, requests and proposals
- An online registration page (a preliminary list is already online)
Webpage

- https://ich.unesco.org/fr/14com
- ich-amendments@unesco.org
Order of debate

- Only speakers recognized by the Chairperson may have the floor
- 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)
  • Some by a two-third majority (16)
  • Amendment or suspension to the Rules of Procedure
  • Convening an extraordinary Committee session
  • Amending, deleting or adding items to the agenda
PART 2 – AGENDA AND TIMETABLE OF THE FOURTEENTH SESSION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE
Agenda

Includes examination of topics:

• Provided in the Rules of Procedure and Operational Directives

• That the Committee or the General Assembly decided, at previous sessions, to place thereon

• Requested by Committee Members

• Proposed by States Parties and the Director-General
Monday, 9 December 2019

Morning

1. Opening
2. Adoption of the agenda
3. Observers
4. Adoption of the summary records of the thirteenth session of the Committee
5a. Report by the Committee on its activities
5b. Report by the Secretariat on its activities
Monday, 9 December 2019

AFTERNOON

6. Intangible Cultural Heritage Fund: voluntary supplementary contributions and other issues

7. Draft plan for the use of the resources of the Intangible Cultural Heritage Fund in 2020–2021

8. Reform of the periodic reporting mechanism
Tuesday, 10 December 2019

Morning

9. Reports of States Parties

9a. Examination of the reports of States Parties on the current status of elements inscribed on the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding

9b. Reports of States Parties on the use of International Assistance from the Intangible Cultural Heritage Fund
Tuesday, 10 December 2019

**AFTERNOON**

10  Reports of the Evaluation Body on its work in 2019

10a Examination of nominations for inscription on the List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding

10b Examination of nominations for inscription on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity
Wednesday, 11 December 2019

**MORNING**

10b Examination of nominations for inscription on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity

**AFTERNOON**

10b Examination of nominations for inscription on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity (cont.)
Thursday, 12 December 2019

Morning

10b. Examination of nominations for inscription on the Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity

10c. Examination of proposals to the Register of Good Safeguarding Practices

10d. Examination of requests for International Assistance
Thursday, 12 December 2019

AFTERNOON


11. Modification of the name of an inscribed element

12. Follow-up on elements inscribed on the Lists of the Convention
Friday, 13 December 2019

Morning

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Intangible cultural heritage in emergencies

14
Reflection on the listing mechanisms of the Convention
Part 2 – Agenda and timetable of the fourteenth session of the Committee

Friday, 13 December 2019

AFTERNOON

14 Reflection on the listing mechanisms of the Convention

15 Reflection on the participation of non-governmental organizations in the implementation of the Convention
Saturday, 14 December 2019

Morning

16. Report of the informal ad hoc open-ended working group

17. Accreditation of new non-governmental organizations and review of accredited non-governmental organizations

18. Establishment of the Evaluation Body for the 2020 cycle
Part 2 – Agenda and timetable of the fourteenth session of the Committee

Saturday, 14 December 2019

**AFTERNOON**

19. Follow-up on the implementation of the relevant recommendations of the Open-Ended Working Group on the Governance, Procedures and Working Methods of the Governing Bodies of UNESCO

20. Date and venue of the fifteenth session of the Committee

21. Election of the members of the Bureau of the fifteenth session of the Committee

22. **Other business**

23. Adoption of the list of decisions

24. **Closure**
Thank you

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