**CONVENTION FOR THE SAFEGUARDING OF THE   
INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE**

Consultation meeting on the role of accredited non-governmental organizations under the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, Room XI

18 April 2019

**Agenda**

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| 10:00-10:15 | **Opening**   * *Mr Ernesto Ottone R., Assistant-Director General for Culture, UNESCO* |
| 10:15-10:30 | **Presentation of the objectives, working methods and agenda** |
| 10:30-13:00 | **Session 1:** Identifying the advisory functions of accredited NGOs and reviewing accreditation criteria   * *Brief presentation by the Secretariat (10 min)* * *Brief presentation by the ICH NGO Forum (10 min)* * *Brief presentation by the informal open-ended ad hoc working group (10 min)* * *General debate moderated by the Secretariat (2h)* |
| *13:00-15:00* | *Lunch break* |
| 15:00-17:00 | **Session 2:** Defining an accreditation system for NGOs (process and responsibilities)   * *Brief presentation by the Secretariat (5 min)* * *Brief presentation by the ICH NGO Forum (5 min)* * *General debate moderated by the Secretariat (1h50)* |
| 17:00-17:45 | **Next steps and conclusion** |
| 17:45-18:00 | **Closing** |