

ICHNGO

FORUM

ICH NGO Forum General Meeting

Monday, 26 November 2018

Port Louis, Mauritius

To the occasion of 13.COM - UNESCO 2003 Convention

Developing a Forum

The ICH NGO Forum

Activities

- Symposium: since 2012 annual at .COM
- Working Groups (research, ethics, CAP, ICT...)
- Online journal HeritageAlive on safeguarding
- Conferences (2014 Jeonju, 2015 St Susana)
- ...

International Networking & Cooperation

- Foster networking and cooperation
- Contact point for NGOs, information, ...
- Instigator and partner in international cooperation

Communication

- website, social media, newsletter, ...

Governance

- Start up ICH NGO Forum 2009-2011
- Annual General Meeting Forum at IGC since 2012
- Preliminary coordination group since 2012
- 1st Steering Committee prepared in Sta Susana Conference June 2015 and adopted at General Meeting – 2015 (10.COM)
- NGO founded in 2016 (11.COM) + Bank account
- Rules of Procedure adopted 2016
- 1st elections steering committee at 12.COM, **fully elected SC at this 13.COM**

Relation to UNESCO 2003 Convention

IGC, GA and other UNESCO 2003 meetings

- Formulate coordinated Statements NGOs
- Speech at opening of IGC since 2014 (+ GA from 2018)

Secretariat

- Coordination on NGO activity with follow up meetings with Secretariat (exchange, coordination, logistics,...)

Contact point for other stakeholders in Convention

- States parties
- Category II Centres
- Communities ...

Processes

- Capacity Building
- Regional networking
- **Reflection ROLES OF NGOs and accreditation process**
- Relation to Overall Results Framework
- Ethics
- ICT

To be further elaborated:

- > Reports related to the Convention and its implementation
- > Projects within Convention framework
- > Outreach and civil society involvement
- > Lighter ways for sharing safeguarding experiences
- > ...

accredited NGOs present at UNESCO 2003 statutory meeting

observers

Organizing into ICH NGO FORUM

2009 - 2010 - 2011 starting to meet; NGO Statement
(Addis Ababa - Nairobi - Bali)

From 2012 onwards: ICH NGO FORUM organization
takes form



AGENDA

6.05 pm report of the SC

6.15 pm accounts and legal aspects of the Forum's association 2018

6.25 pm updates and proposals from the Working Groups

- WG Heritage Alive (Eivind)
- WG Capacity Building (Marit)
- WG NGOs and Research(Albert)
- WG ICT (*Jorge*)
- WG regional Working groups: general reflection (Jorijn)
- WG Sustainable Development and Education (Dr. V.Jayarajan)
- Overall Results Framework (Antoine)

7.00 pm WG Ethics: Proposal Ethical Principles and Action Plan
(Antoine)

7.20 Reflection on the future roles for accredited NGOs and accreditation procedure (Jorijn)

7.50 - 8.50pm Introduction election Steering Committee and candidates (Laurier, Hanhee, Dag, Mohamed)

8.50 pm Other issues? Open Forum Q&A and discussion

Accreditation of NGOs

Starts in 2008 after Operational Directives for the Convention are launched (2.GA)

To date, the General Assembly has accredited **202** such organizations

97 by 3.GA - 2010

59 by 4.GA - 2012

22 by 5.GA - 2014

24 by 6.GA - 2016

+ after first review of 1st cycle 10COM:

59 (of the 97) remained; 38 accreditations terminated

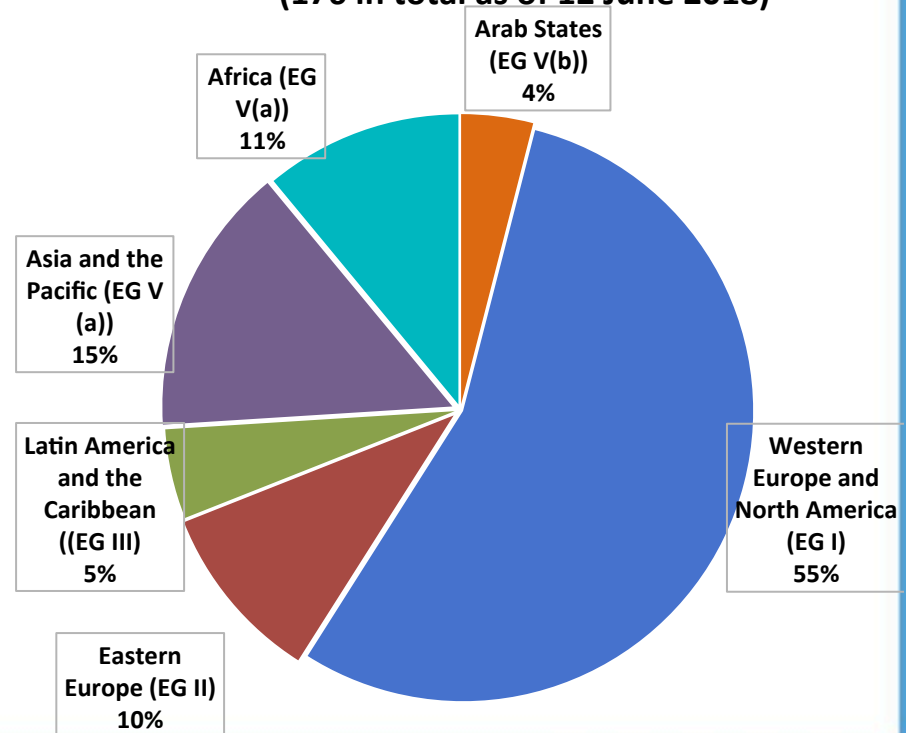
= 164 total 2017

geographical representation Groups:

I: 87 II: 13 III: 11 IV: 26 V(a): 20 V(b): 6



Figure 1. Geographical distribution of accredited NGOs (176 in total as of 12 June 2018)





STATEMENT 13.COM - ICH NGO FORUM

- proposals and suggestions ?
- > Send to ichngoforum@gmail.com



**Report on activities
by Steering Committee**

- **Statutory aspect – governance**
 - association
 - funding and accounting
- SC monthly Skype **meetings** + live meetings at the IGC and GA sessions + reports online
- communication and consultation with the **2003 Convention Secretariat**;
 - > meetings at .COM & regular contact with ICH SECTION Secretariat in Paris
- ICH NGO Forum **communication** - website, ICHNGO.NET, newsletter, social media ...
- serves as a **first contact point** for questions and information requests, for supporting communication of activities, information sharing, coaching, ...



- efforts regarding language and interpretation English French
- **External relations & contributions in several internationally invited occasions:**
ICHCAP NGO Conference Vietnam 6-8 November, IMP Conference Switzerland, ...
- **contributions in UNESCO 2003 Convention's work;**
Reflection on INTER ALIA roles



2018 Asia-Pacific ICH NGO Conference



ICHNGO FORUM

- **Exhibition and workshops at 7GA**
- Follow up on **CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM** for the Forum
- Strategy towards **REGIONAL NETWORKING** development of **accredited ICH NGOs**
 - = regional cooperation and actions
 - > **WORKING POINT FOR 2019 !**
- further efforts for **funding**
- encourage applications (of participants of developing countries) to the **UNESCO 2003 FUND** for taking part to the UNESCO 2003 Meetings
- Start up work on **ethical principles** as well as **Overall Results through** Working Groups
- ...



Compte 8000 Résultat d'exploitation

01.11.17 - 31.10.18

Date	C/P	Piè	Libellé	Débit	Crédit	Solde
31.10.18	6064		Boucllement Fournitures administratives	203.86		203.86
31.10.18	6226		Boucllement Honoraires	417.00		620.86
31.10.18	6237		Boucllement Publications	125.00		745.86
31.10.18	6251		Boucllement Voyages et déplacements	581.17		1'327.03
31.10.18	6270		Boucllement Services bancaires et assimilés	291.34		1'618.37
31.10.18	8090		Boucllement Résultat d'exploitation		1'618.37	0.00
			Mouvement	1'618.37	1'618.37	

Compte 8090 Pertes & Profits

01.11.17 - 31.10.18

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31.10.18	8000		Boucllement Résultat d'exploitation	1'618.37		1'618.37
31.10.18	8110		Boucllement Pertes & Profits		1'618.37	0.00
			Mouvement	1'618.37	1'618.37	

Compte 8100 Bilan d'ouverture

01.11.17 - 31.10.18

Date	C/P	Piè	Libellé	Débit	Crédit	Solde
01.11.17	5120		Solde à nouveau Société Générale compte courant 372 9437 474		6'035.66	-6'035.66
			Mouvement	0.00	6'035.66	

Compte 8110 Bilan de clôture

01.11.17 - 31.10.18

Date	C/P	Piè	Libellé	Débit	Crédit	Solde
31.10.18	8090		Boucllement Pertes & Profits	1'618.37		1'618.37
			Mouvement	1'618.37	0.00	
			Mouvement	1'618.37	0.00	

ICH NGO Forum Association (Paris)

Balance sheet as of October 31, 2018

Assets	2018	2017
Fixed assets		
Value of fixed assets	-	-
Depreciation	-	-
	-	-
Current assets		
Accounts receivables	-	-
Cash available	4'417	6'036
	4'417	6'036
Total	4'417	6'036

Liabilities	2018	2017
Associative funds and provisions		
Provisions	6'036	-
Profit or loss of the year	-1'618	6'036
	4'417	6'036
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses payable	-	-
	-	-
Total	4'417	6'036

ICH NGO Forum Association (Paris)

Profit & loss - October 31, 2018

	Notes	2018	2017
Operating results			
Donations		-	14'256
Membership fees		-	30
Total operating results (I)		-	14'286
Operating costs			
Communication (buttons)		204	-
Other external services	1)	1'123	8'029
Total operating costs (II)		1'327	8'029
1. Current non financial result (I - II)		-1'327	6'257

Financial results

Net financial results and profit on currencies	-	-
Financial costs and loss on currencies	-291	-221
2. Financial results	-291	-221
3. Current result (1 + 2)	-1'618	6'036
Total of profits	-	14'286
Total of losses	1'618	8'250
Profit (+) or loss (-)	-1'618	6'036



Questions and answers?

Report on activities by **WORKING GROUPS**

#HeritageAlive

editor in chief Eivind Falk

Capacity Building

coordinator Marit Stranden

Research

coordinator Albert Van Der Zeijden

ICT

coordinator Jorge Gustavo Caceido

Regional Working Groups

Jorijn Neyrinck

Sust. Dvlpmt and education

Dr. V. Jayarajan

Overall Results Framework

Antoine Gauthier

...

Working Group Research

ICHNGO FORUM
INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE AND CIVIL SOCIETY



Working Group Research

- Established in Windhoek, 2015
- Meetings and minisymposiums during the ICH meetings
- Jeju: Symposium focusing on identifying and inventorying of ICH
- Mauritius: focusing on Participatory approaches involving communities

The role of NGOs in ICH research



Role of NGOs fostering Research

1. Strengthening community involvement in research
2. Knowledge: sharing authority among scholars and community researchers and enabling community driven research;
3. the co-construction of new knowledge through participatory and interactive approaches, mutual construction of knowledge, while also involving both local and academic knowledge.
4. Inventorying: working on participatory ICH inventories
5. Safeguarding methodologies: working on participatory methodologies involving communities
6. Training / empowering communities: include field schools and workshops for training in technical use of documentary equipment, methods of interviewing and observation, ethics, etc.,
7. platforms for community members to present research including social media, the internet, public programs (exhibitions, performances and demonstrations) and activities in schools;
8. youth research projects, use of archives as a stimulus to research about current ICH, inclusion of multiple sectors of a community in research activities.



<http://review.memoriamedia.net/>

Exploring collaborative research

- Exchanging experiences and good practices
- Tuesday from 1800-20.00 H: regular meeting of the Working Group: everyone is welcome!

Working Group ICH NGO CAP – activity since 12COM

- Evaluation of the workshop (by facilitator Harriet Deacon)
 - an electronic evaluation, the response rate on the evaluation was low, less than 10%
 - The evaluation of every session was in the 4-5 range [1 (poor) - 5 (excellent)]
 - The group work (regional and world café sessions) were particularly well reviewed
 - Outcome of workshop: Initiated **regional working groups**, who had their first discussions to share experience and find ways to **develop network cooperation's, relationships and capacities** in the regions (<http://www.ichngoforum.org/regional-working-groups>).
 - Evaluation: **Additional facilitators who are not from that region should be included in the regional groups**
- Filmed some parts of the workshop – evaluate if useful for further workshops, to save funding.

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Working Group ICH NGO CAP – not a working group?

- Working group: Not managed to initiate in-between committee meetings activity
 - Discussions in subgroups suggested in 2017, only one person signed up
- Not suitable for organizing capacity building as a working group?
- The need for capacity building: fruitful outcomes of the workshop in Jeju, no need to develop another system than the UNESCO facilitator-workshop system
- Further workshops should be initiated from the board/ steering committee (managed by an ad hoc group with facilitators, UNESCO secretariat, other NGOs and a local NGO organizer)
- Limiting factors to progress in capacity-building are **funding** of workshops (cost of UNESCO facilitators, travel and stay)
- Could still have an hour of **sharing experiences** each COM meeting, not planned this year, please give feedback if you wish for this
- Strong belief in establishing regional group networks, meeting Wednesday evening.
- **Await activity in the regional groups**, and use this working group to **report back to the international level during COM-meetings**? Should the contact persons of the regional groups be part of the working group of capacity-building?

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Proposal Action Plan ICH NGOs and ethics

WG ICH NGOs & Ethics - Antoine Gauthier

Proposal Action Plan ICH NGOs and ethics

Discussion

adoption by the ICHNGO Forum



PLAN for the meeting of the ICH NGO Forum and ethics at 13.COM

INTRODUCTION

ETHICAL PRINCIPLES for the ICHNGO Forum - Preamble - Ethical principles of the 2003 Convention

ACTION PLAN - Considering, inter alia, the decision 10.COM/15.a of the Intergovernmental Committee and the Global Results Framework, notably its core indicators 20 and 21, we propose:

Proposals to the NGO Forum:

(decision to be taken during general meeting of the Forum in Port Louis during 13.COM)

- I. That the members agree with the Preamble and appropriate the 12 ethical principles;
- II. That in the ICH NGO Forum Rules be adopted the principle that any NGO joining the Forum declares itself bound by the ICH ethical principles as formulated in the decision of the Forum on Ethics (Mauritius, 13.COM, Nov. 2018);
- III. That the Ethics Working Group continue its work;
- IV. That the following proposals be adopted by the Forum directed towards UNESCO and its organs:

... Proposals to UNESCO and its organs ... ->



Ethical Principles ICHNGO Forum PREAMBLE

Recalling the key role of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) for the safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage (ICH) at the local, national or international level, as recognized in particular by different groups and communities, states and UNESCO,

Recognizing that NGOs working to safeguard ICH, whether or not they are accredited by UNESCO, participate in the safeguarding of practices, knowledge, know-how and representations transmitted from generation to generation, important for the current and future generations,

Wishing that all the cultural actors working to develop the various elements of ICH adopt and promote initiatives carried out with respect, including respect for human rights and the rights of indigenous peoples, and that in a spirit of sustainable development, equity, representativeness, citizen participation and, where relevant, peer evaluation,



Ethical Principles ICHNGO Forum PREAMBLE

Stressing that across a wide range of domains, cultural elements and contexts, NGOs must act ethically in all their spheres of work, especially in situations of awareness raising, consultation, production, dissemination, training, marketing, search for funding, resource allocation, inventories, intellectual property issues, political representation, tourism, research, museum, archival and documentary, web presence and collaboration with states, including in the context of the preparation of periodic reports and measures of impact related to the overall Results Framework of the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage (hereinafter referred to as after the '2003 Convention'),

Reiterating the desire expressed by the ICHNGO Forum to collaborate with the 2003 Convention and its various bodies in strengthening the ethical principles of the said Convention,



Accepting the invitation of the Intergovernmental Committee of the 2003 Convention to accredited NGOs (Decision 10.COM/15.a/10) to participate in enriching, sharing information, monitoring and contributing to the updating of the online platform with ethical tools for the safeguarding of the intangible cultural heritage,

Affirming that the ethical principles of the 2003 Convention can assist NGOs and all stakeholders who act both within and with them, particularly staff and administrators, whether on a paid or voluntary basis, and that these principles can act as a complement to other types of codes of conduct and existing ethical instruments to prevent and manage certain conflicts or tensions, or more broadly to guide action, reflection or decision-making,

Recognizing also that some NGOs themselves embody communities or groups of traditions bearers, particularly associations that include practitioner members,

The ICH NGO Forum, meeting in Mauritius on November 25th 2018, endorses the 12 ethical principles of the 2003 Convention.

Ethical Principles for Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage

1. Communities, groups and, where applicable, individuals should have the **primary role** in safeguarding their own intangible cultural heritage.
2. **The right of communities, groups and, where applicable, individuals** to continue the practices, representations, expressions, knowledge and skills necessary to ensure the viability of the intangible cultural heritage should be recognized and respected.
3. **Mutual respect** as well as a respect for and mutual appreciation of intangible cultural heritage, should prevail in interactions between States and between communities, groups and, where applicable, individuals.
4. All interactions with the communities, groups and, where applicable, individuals who create, safeguard, maintain and transmit intangible cultural heritage should be characterized by **transparent** collaboration, dialogue, negotiation and consultation, and contingent upon their **free, prior, sustained and informed consent**.
5. **Access** of communities, groups and individuals to the instruments, objects, artefacts, cultural and natural spaces and places of memory whose existence is necessary for expressing the intangible cultural heritage should be ensured, including in situations of armed conflict. Customary practices governing access to intangible cultural heritage should be fully respected, even where these may limit broader public access.
6. Each community, group or individual should assess the value of its own intangible cultural heritage and this intangible cultural heritage should **not be subject to external judgements of value or worth**.
7. The communities, groups and individuals who create intangible cultural heritage should **benefit from the protection** of the moral and material interests resulting from such heritage, and particularly from its use, research, documentation, promotion or adaptation by members of the communities or others.
8. The **dynamic and living nature of intangible cultural heritage** should be continuously respected. Authenticity and exclusivity should not constitute concerns and obstacles in the safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage.
9. Communities, groups, local, national and transnational organizations and individuals should carefully assess the direct and indirect, short-term and long-term, potential and definitive **impact** of any action that may affect the viability of intangible cultural heritage or the communities who practise it.
10. Communities, groups and, where applicable, individuals should play a significant role in determining what constitutes **threats to their intangible cultural heritage** including the decontextualization, commodification and misrepresentation of it and in deciding how to prevent and mitigate such threats.
11. **Cultural diversity** and the identities of communities, groups and individuals should be fully respected. In the respect of values recognized by communities, groups and individuals and sensitivity to cultural norms, specific attention to **gender** equality, **youth** involvement and **respect for ethnic identities** should be included in the design and implementation of safeguarding measures.
12. The safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage is of **general interest to humanity** and should therefore be undertaken through cooperation among bilateral, sub regional, regional and international parties; nevertheless, communities, groups and, where applicable, individuals should never be alienated from their own intangible cultural heritage.

Proposals to UNESCO and its organs :

- **To develop a dynamic and rich online platform, including ethics tools (see 10.COM/15.A/9) and practical guidance.**

To think about how to set up this platform. It may be managed or conducted by a cross-cutting working committee, including ethics experts, States Parties and accredited NGOs.

In the platform could be included tools such as:

- Free, prior, sustained and informed consent forms (existing or to be developed);

- Tools collected, adapted or created in relation to ethics that can be inspired by the work done at UN and UNESCO as well as other international organizations active on the relevant themes.

(Eg. : in the areas of protection of moral and material interests, tourism, health, food and agriculture, labor, sustainable development, etc.)

At the UN: CBD.int (Convention on Biological Diversity 1992), HABITAT, ...

UNESCO: COMEST or GEObs in the field of science and technology, or access to cultural and natural places and artefacts related to

ICH In other organizations: FAO, ILO, WIPO, UNTWO, WHO ...

> See for example the website of: http://www.wipo.int/tk/en/resources/tk_experiences.html

- Capacity building initiatives for concrete situations, and in a participatory way, including eg webinars, trainings and exercises.

Proposals to UNESCO and its organs

- **Reflect on the creation of a global ethics observatory** composed of experts in ethics and the safeguarding of ICH as well as accredited NGOs, reflecting the model, for example, of COMEST or GEObs in the field of science and technology, within UNESCO itself. A steering committee on the ethical web platform could possibly provide a starting point for the development of such an observatory.



**REFLECTION
ON FUTURE ROLES for accredited NGOs
and accreditation procedure**

Jorijn Neyrinck

In 2018 already 3 NGO meetings will be especially devoted to the INTER ALIA process:

1. Open NGO meeting at 7.GA, 6th of June, 2018, Paris (France):

introduction & exchange on the meaning and motivation of accreditation to NGOs, expectations as well as contributions NGOs may offer to the Convention

2. working group session at 7.GA, 7th of June, 2018, Paris (France):

Brainstorm on possible working methods to address the INTER ALIA Reflection, followed by a first mapping of possible roles of NGOs

3. International Symposium of the ICH NGO Forum at 13.COM 2018, Port Louis:

“Role of accredited NGOs in the implementation of the UNESCO 2003 Convention”

+ **first consultations**

- ✓ **Informal meeting co-chairs of informal ad hoc working group & Secretariat & SC ICH NGO Forum on 5 June 2018**
- ✓ **electronic consultation** Autumn 2018

1. Open NGO meeting at 7.GA, 6th of June, 2018, Paris :

a/ what was their motivation to request accreditation back in time?

b/ what did they expect from being accredited (what does being accredited under the Convention bring to the NGO)?

c/ what did they consider their NGO could offer to the Convention?

NGOs:

- ✓ **important value of recognition by the accreditation**
- ✓ **international networking of fellow NGOs and other actors around the Convention on ICH safeguarding**
- ✓ **Share expertise and knowledge**

2. working group session at 7.GA, 7th of June, 2018, Paris :

proposals for further elaboration:

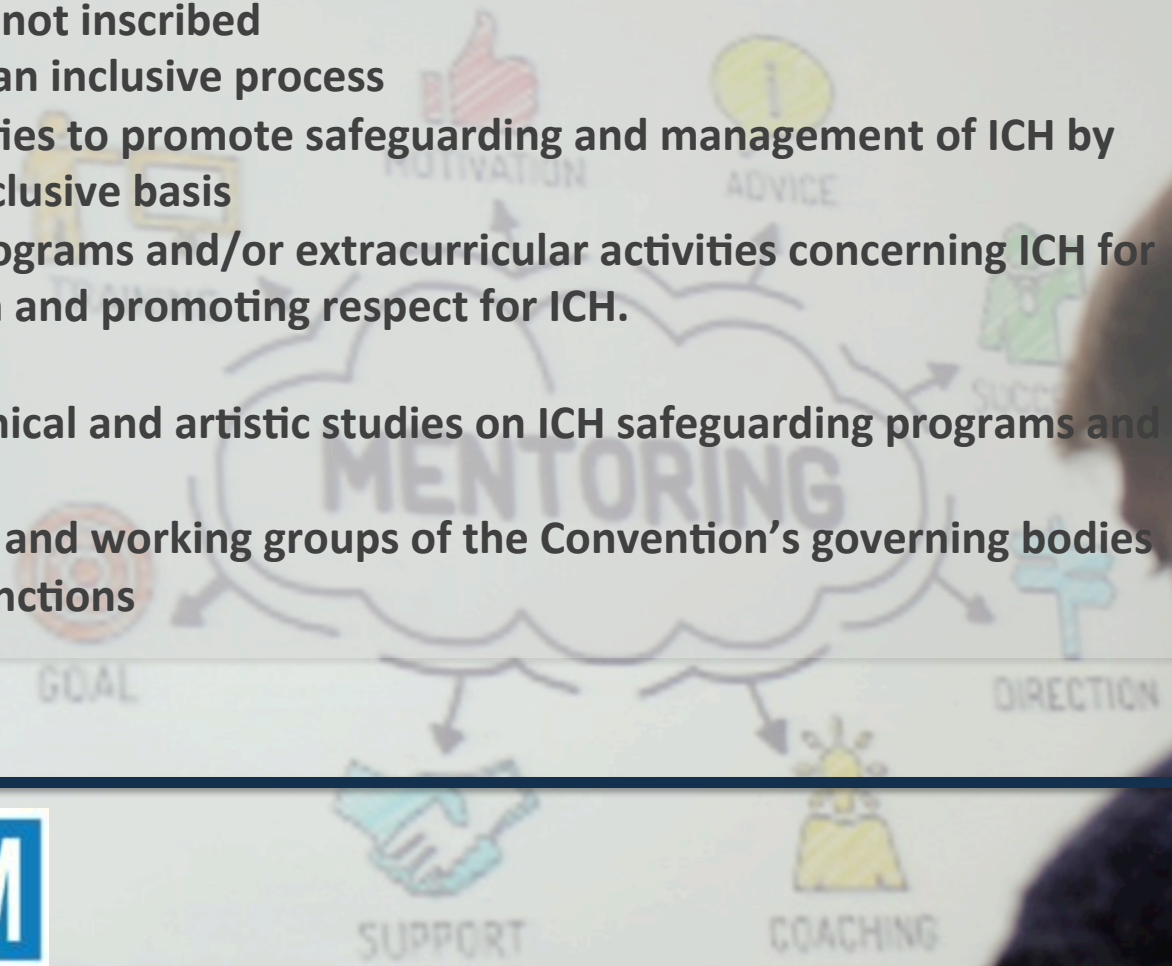
- **Overview mentions NGOs in Convention documents (OD, GA, IGC, ORF, ...)**
- **Functions Committee > NGOs advisory functions**
- **Map capacities of NGOs (survey? Database?)**

- **Reinforce the role of the ICH NGO Forum as umbrella organization and focal point**
 - strengthen governance in transparency of the Forum
 - strengthen communication on the work of NGOs and the Forum implementing the Convention
 - strengthen capacity building processes for and with NGOs and outreaching to civil society
 - set up an ethics program with NGO Forum responding to ethical principles of the Convention

- **Cherish and foster the precious position of non-governmental organizations**
 - Multiple voices, inclusive involvement
 - contribute beyond formal frameworks for safeguarding ICH (ORF 21)
 - Studies & monitoring on ICH safeguarding programmes and measures (ORF 22)
 - laboratory, research, development, innovative capacity ...

Role of NGOs

- Safeguard ICH whether or not inscribed
- Build inventory following an inclusive process
- Strengthen human capacities to promote safeguarding and management of ICH by providing training on an inclusive basis
- Undertake educational programs and/or extracurricular activities concerning ICH for strengthening transmission and promoting respect for ICH.
- Monitor ICH Safeguarding
- Undertake scientific, technical and artistic studies on ICH safeguarding programs and measures.
- Participate in the sessions and working groups of the Convention's governing bodies
- Contribute to statutory functions



7. ARTICLE 7 – FUNCTIONS of IGC

- a **promote the objectives of the Convention, and to encourage and monitor the implementation thereof;**
- b **provide guidance on best practices and make recommendations on measures for the safeguarding of the intangible cultural heritage;**
- c prepare and submit to the General Assembly for approval a draft plan for the use of the resources of the Fund, in accordance with Article 25;
- d seek means of increasing its resources, and to take the necessary measures to this end, in accordance with Article 25;
- e prepare and submit to the General Assembly for approval operational directives for the implementation of this Convention;
- f examine, in accordance with Article 29, the reports submitted by States Parties, and to summarize them for the General Assembly;
- g examine requests submitted by States Parties, and to decide thereon, in accordance with objective selection criteria to be established by the Committee and approved by the General Assembly for:
 - i inscription on the lists and proposals mentioned under Articles 16, 17 and 18;
 - ii the granting of international assistance in accordance with Article 22.

7. **ARTICLE 7 – FUNCTIONS of IGC**

**promote the objectives of the Convention,
and to encourage and monitor the
implementation thereof;**

Convention - Article 1:

The purposes of this Convention are:

- (a) to safeguard the intangible cultural heritage;*
- (b) to ensure respect for the intangible cultural heritage of the communities, groups and individuals concerned;*
- (c) to raise awareness at the local, national and international levels of the importance of the intangible cultural heritage, and of ensuring mutual appreciation thereof;*
- (d) to provide for international cooperation and assistance.*

**provide guidance on best practices and make
recommendations on measures for the
safeguarding of the intangible cultural heritage;**

Possible contribution of NGOs

- 1. promote the objectives of the Convention**
- 2. encourage implementation of the (objectives of) the Convention**
- 3. monitor implementation of the (objectives of) the Convention**

which may include (cfr. article 1 Convention):

- safeguarding ICH
- ensuring respect for CGIs
- awareness raising of the importance of ICH,
- ensuring mutual appreciation of ICH
- providing cooperation and assistance in international framework
- ...

- A. provide guidance for good or best practices
- B. contribute to lighter ways of sharing safeguarding experiences
- C. make recommendations on safeguarding measures for ICH

- c prepare and submit to the General Assembly for approval a draft plan for the use of the resources of the Fund, in accordance with Article 25; *_ Not applicable*
- d seek means of increasing its resources, and to take the necessary measures to this end, in accordance with Article 25; A. possible contribution of NGOs seeking means of increasing **resources** for the implementation of the convention, through e.g.
 - crowdfunding, friendsraising
 - raising funds through private sector and sponsorships
 - advocating for policies including resources and funding for ICH safeguarding ...
- e prepare and submit to the General Assembly for approval operational directives for the implementation of this Convention; ✓ deliver and inspire proposals regarding **operational directives** to the IGC
- f examine, in accordance with Article 29, the reports submitted by States Parties, and to summarize them for the General Assembly; ✓ **Complement the data** gathered on the implementation of the Convention through **Periodic Reports** submitted by State Parties with information provided by NGOs. (> IOS report 2013 - Recommendation 23).
- g examine requests submitted by States Parties, and to decide thereon, in accordance with objective selection criteria to be established by the Committee and approved by the General Assembly for:
- i inscription on the lists and proposals mentioned under Articles 16, 17 and 18; ✓ NGO contribution in the Evaluation Body
- ii the granting of international assistance in accordance with Article 22. ✓ NGO contribution in the Evaluation Body

Boundary Conditions and sensibilities

HOW to

- ✓ to **reduce the administrative burden for the Secretariat** as an effect of the NGOs activity in the 2003 Convention?
- ✓ to improve the ***governance structure***, the ***institutional continuity*** as well as the ***visibility*** of **the Forum** as to be able to act as focal point and building connection with **the states parties**?
- ✓ to elaborate incentives aiming to **spur accreditation** from within regions where NGO accreditation is relatively underrepresented (e.g. via networking, via capacity building initiatives...) ?
- ✓ to set up **a code of conduct** for accredited NGOs taking part in the Convention and its bodies ?

WORKING PROPOSAL

DEVELOP FUTURE NGO ACCREDITATION along following 2 LINES:

- 1. Accreditation regarding advisory services to the Committee**
- 2. Accreditation of a much wider range of NGOs contributing to the IMPLEMENTATION of the convention (national, regional, international):**

WORKING PROPOSAL

1. Accreditation regarding advisory services to the Committee

= For a limited number of NGOs + limited in time (sunset clause)

+ with a focus on advise on international/UNESCO level

These advisory services would concern a limited set of services, specifically devoted to evaluation and reporting tasks on the international level

(e.g. evaluation of nomination files, drawing up reports for the IGC, ...)

The accreditation of this group could be:

- limited to a max. number per region (e.g. a ceiling of 10 per region)
- for a limited time (e.g. 4 or 6 years)
- this advisory accreditation could remain to be reviewed by the Secretariat and then proposed to the IGC

WORKING PROPOSAL

2. Accreditation of (a much wider range of) NGOs contributing to the IMPLEMENTATION of the convention (national, regional, international):

The accreditation of these NGOs would be in line with the purpose to build a growing group of NGOs engaging in the dynamics on implementing and outreaching the Convention in society.

To limit burden for the Convention's Secretariat, these NGOs accreditation could be advised through a procedure moderated via the **ICH NGO Forum** (e.g. a **peer review** model or an evaluation committee of NGOs and external experts/researchers) and thereafter being proposed for accreditation to **the IGC**.

cfr . decision [8.COM](#) 14.b & [12.COM](#) 17)



Questions and answers?

New proposals ?



**ELECTIONS ICH NGO Forum
2018**

**+ ELECTORAL BOARD
2019**



Other issues

Open Space for Forum Dialogue

THANK YOU to all !