

While the United Kingdom have not ratified the 2003 Convention, the Convention has nevertheless guided Historic Environment Scotland's efforts to safeguard ICH in Scotland. We have drawn on the Convention, the ICH domains, and the best practice register to inform development of our Policy Statement on ICH, and to shape resulting activity to support practitioners and tradition bearers. We have been inspired and encouraged by the case studies and examples offered by countries across the world, and by the way that communities and practitioners are being supported to safeguard and share their living culture. We are sure that the Convention will go from strength to strength, and that it will continue to improve the place that communities and practitioners have within its workings. We look forward to seeing this work develop and evolve, and hope in time that Scotland can play a more active role alongside other nations in safeguarding ICH and sharing best practice.

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Ged nach eil an Rìoghachd Aonaichte air Coinbheinsean 2003 a dhaingneachadh, tha an Coinbheinsean air gnìomhan Àrainneachd Eachdraidheil Alba a stiùireadh a thaobh dualchas cultarach do-bheantainneach (ICH) a dhòn ann an Alba. Tha sinn air tarraing air Coinbheinsean 2003, raointean cultarach do-bheantainneach, agus an clàr de deagh chleachdaidhean, gus ar *Policy Statement on ICH* a leasachadh, agus gus gnìomhan a chumadh gus taic a thoirt do luchd-cleachdaidh agus giùladairean thraigiseanan. Tha sinn air a bhith air ar brosnachadh le na sgrùdaidhean cùise agus na h-eisimpleirean a tha dùthchannan air feadh an t-saoghail a thabhairn, agus leis an dòigh anns a bheil coimhairsnachdan agus luchd-cleachdaidh a' faighinn taic gus an cultar beò a dhòn agus a cho-roinn. Tha sinn cinnteach gun tèid an Coinbheinsean bho neart gu neart, agus gun lean e air adhart a' leasachadh an àite a th' aig coimhairsnachdan agus luchd-cleachdaidh, taobh a-staigh a chuid obrach. Tha sinn a' coimhead air adhart ri bhith a' faicinn an obair seo a' tighinn air adhart, agus tha sinn an dòchas, anns an àm ri teachd, gun urrainn do dh'Alba pàirt nas gnìomhaiche a ghabhail còmhla ri dùthchannan eile ann a bhith a' dòn dualchas cultarach do-bheantainneach agus a' co-roinn deagh chleachdadh.

Àrainneachd Eachdraidheil Alba