

European Network of Focal Points for the 2003 Convention (ENFP)

*“Share ideas and good practices, learn from each other
in order to find better and innovative ways
for safeguarding ICH in our countries.”*

ENFP NEWSLETTER

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Dear members of the European Network of Focal Points for the 2003 UNESCO Convention (ENFP)

We are launching Issue # 2 of the ENFP Newsletter where you can find information about recent and forthcoming events, initiatives, projects, and publications dedicated to the safeguarding of ICH in Europe.

You will find in this Newsletter:

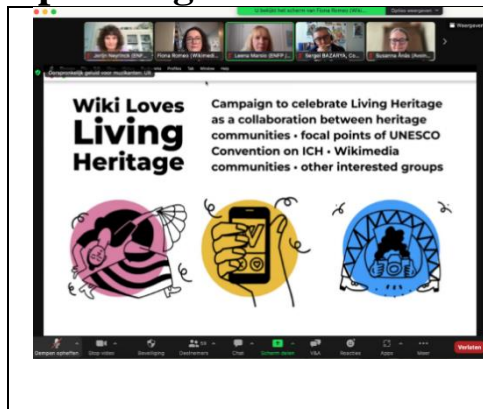
- Past and Future Events on ICH
- Projects on ICH
- Publications on ICH
- New entries on national inventories of ICH

Enjoy the read!

The ENFP Newsletter-Team

EVENTS IN FOCUS

Upcoming Events






Get Started with the Wiki Loves Living Heritage Campaign

Date: 3 May 2023 from 10:00 - 12:00 (CET)

The Wiki Loves Living Heritage campaign is up and running! The campaign is one way to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Convention. This is how to get started:

- Get in touch with your national partners of living heritage and Wikimedia community – find [contacts here](#)

	<p>https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wiki_Loves_Living_Heritage/Contacts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trouble finding a colleague? Send an email to wikiloveslivingheritage@gmail.com and we will help you to locate the right person. • Find out together what you could do and how this campaign would best fit in your work! Ideas for activities on this page: https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wiki_Loves_Living_Heritage/Ideas_for_activities • Watch the video of the launch event on Youtube to get a better picture of what the campaign is all about. have a look at the past events <p>And there is more! The ENFP network and Wiki Loves Living Heritage are preparing for a special joint action for the European region in the coming months: ‘Wiki loves ... safeguarding living heritage in Europe’ We look forward to discuss the initiative with you during our network meeting on 3 May, and will share more information soon on how each county in Europe can participate!</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>ENFP Steering Committee</i></p>
 <p style="text-align: center;">© Krista Kuusela</p>	<p>Photo Contest on Living Heritage – Finland</p> <p><u>Date:</u> Launch and 9 May 2023</p> <p>As part of the global campaign “Wiki Loves Living Heritage”, a photo contest will be organized in Finland to make visible ICH, its safeguarding and practitioners. The campaign is organized by the Finnish Heritage agency in cooperation with Wikimedia Finland, the European Heritage Days and the Federation of Local Heritage Associations. The campaign will be launched on 9 May, the Europe Day.</p> <p>read more >></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Leena Marsio, FP (Finland)</i></p>
	<p>Exhibition during book-fair in Madrid - Spain</p> <p><u>Date:</u> 26 May - 11 June 2023</p> <p>Madrid Book Fair is celebrated yearly in one of the most emblematic areas in the Spanish capital city: Retiro Park, recently declared as a World Heritage Site. This year ICH will be present in the fair through a photographic exhibition about the elements from Spain included in UNESCO Lists and Register. It is conceived as a public and open-air exhibition, which can be visited by those who visit the Park and the Book Fair.</p>

	<p>read more >></p> <p><i>Marta Duarte Chacón, Ministry of Culture and Sports (Spain)</i></p>
	<p>Show your events on the UNESCO 2003 Secretariat Anniversary-page!</p> <p>The Secretariat of the 2003 Convention officially launched a call for information about activities organized on the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of the Convention with the aim for these to be included on a dedicated webpage. In this respect, we are kindly asked to fill in and submit a special form (one per activity - see Link to the form and to the webpage below) and submit it to ich@unesco.org. Also, we are invited to post information on social media using the tag "We Are #LivingHeritage".</p> <p>add your event >></p>

Upcoming Events

	<p>Dissemination Event “Teaching about and with Living Heritage” – Greece</p> <p>On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage and the 70th anniversary of the UNESCO Associated Schools Network (ASPnet), the Ministry of Culture and Sports and the Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs of Greece, through the Directorate of Modern Cultural Heritage and the Directorate of European and International Affairs respectively, jointly organized a hybrid dissemination event regarding the integration ICH in school-based education.</p> <p>The event built on the joint UNESCO-EU project ‘Engaging Youth for an Inclusive and Sustainable Europe’ and its resulting “Resource Kit for Teachers” and “Pilot Survey on the UNESCO ASPnet Schools in the European Union.” The program included presentations on the implementation of 2003 Convention in Greece, the participation of youth in the safeguarding of ICH, the value of teaching and learning about and with living heritage, an overview of the ASPnet 70 years collaborations and pilot programs worldwide, and results from projects such as “Rebetiko: Integrating ICH in the daily teaching practice.” The event was attended by more than 50 live participants and around 130 participants online, among them teachers of the ASP net in Greece, representatives of</p>
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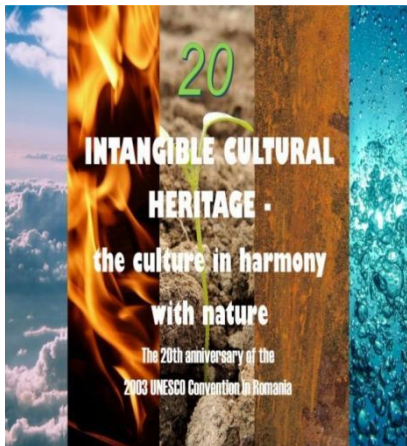
	<p>regional education directorates for primary and secondary schools and coordinators in the sphere of culture and education from all over the country. See https://client.bluetree.events/Event_ASPnet_GR_2023/; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=36YVomotjME; https://ayla.culture.gr</p> <p><i>Elena Bazini, Hellenic Ministry of Culture and Sports Vera Dilari, National Coordinator ASPnet (Greece)</i></p>
 <p>© MKW NRW/Ralph Sondermann</p>	<p>Celebrating the 20th anniversary of 2003 UNESCO Convention – Düsseldorf, Germany</p> <p>On 2 March 2023 the launch event of the <i>Länder</i> of Germany for the 20th anniversary year of the 2003 UNESCO Convention on the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage and Germany’s 10th anniversary year of the ratification of the 2003 Convention took place in Düsseldorf, Germany at the “Tanzhaus NRW”. The event was organised by the Ministry of Culture and Science of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia in cooperation with the German Commission for UNESCO.</p> <p>The programme included presentations on the status of the implementation of the 2003 Convention and on cultural law amongst others. The panel and plenary discussion were followed in the afternoon by workshops on topics such as ICH and migration, crafts, dance, and the participation of young people in ICH activities. For the double anniversary, a homepage was created relating to ICH which provides information (only in German) on events in Germany throughout the year: www.immaterielles-kulturerbe.de/</p> <p><i>Marc Guschal, FP (Germany)</i></p>
	<p>An Inspiration Festival for the European Heritage Days on Living Heritage – 2023</p> <p>In Flanders an inspiration festival was organized for the European Heritage Days (EHD)! Organizers from all over the country could be inspired to work on this year’s theme Living Heritage. Since this year's theme of Living Heritage is less well known to many local organisers, the EHD coordinators joined forces with the NGO <i>Workshop intangible heritage Flanders</i>, to organise a special day offering introductions and keynotes on living heritage, information sessions, brainstorming, workshops, speed dating with stakeholders, sharing of practical examples, etc. The reactions were overwhelming. In the upcoming months, we will also offer regular advice and offer online ‘question hours’ to for further support. Curious to see what it will become!</p>



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Jorijn Neyrinck, UNESCO Facilitator (Belgium)

PROJECTS IN FOCUS



Intangible Cultural heritage – Culture in Harmony with Nature – Iași, Romania

In the city of Iași – Romania, the anniversary year of the 2003 UNESCO Convention will be celebrated by a series of events designed to showcase the contribution of traditional lifestyle for sustainable development. The celebrations are organized by institutions with expertise in ICH – Iași County Center for the Preservation and Promotion of Traditional Culture, Iasi County Council, Romanian Academy – Iași Branch (coordinators: Ioana Baskerville, FP of Romania and Adina Ciubotaru, UNESCO facilitator), and with the participation of craftspeople in the area. The project entitled “Intangible Cultural Heritage – Culture in Harmony with Nature” will consist in 5 conferences and exhibitions each of them devoted to one of the fundamental elements of matter or resource: earth, water, fire, air and wood.

The project was launched on 20 January 2023 with the conference about wood. Milda Valančiauskienė, FP of Lithuania, presented creative ways of reviving the tradition of a wood crafted musical instrument in her country. The participants coming from various fields (folklore studies, ethnography, museography, architecture, organic chemistry, environmental activism) discussed good practices for appreciating and protecting the living heritage of woodcraft and emphasized the advantages of a sustainable use of this matter.

The second conference took place on 20 March 2023 and was dedicated to earth. Ana Saraiva, FP of Portugal and Sasa Sreckovic, UNESCO facilitator from Serbia, presented the situation of safeguarding traditional pottery in their respective countries. Andrei Prohin, UNESCO facilitator from the Republic of Moldova, talked about folk beliefs inspired by the human impact on the earth. Other presentations focused on



Romanian pottery craft in danger, soil vernacular architecture, local agricultural practices, etc.
Both conferences benefitted from the presence and input of local craftspeople who helped the audience to gain insight into their work and offered practical demonstrations on the spot.

Ioanna Baskerville, FP (Romania))



ICH Education Project “Arar” in the Communities of Armenia

The “Arar” is a project for safeguarding and popularizing cultural heritage in the communities of Armenia. The project is being implemented since 2017 in cooperation with the the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of the Republic of Armenia, the “Hovhannes Sharambeyan Museum of Folk Arts” and the “Arar” Center for the safeguarding of Armenian National Art NGO.



In Armenian, the word “Arar” means “creation.” Currently, the “Arar” centers operate in 44 communities in Armenia. About 900 children and teenagers of different ages learn carpet making, embroidery, pottery, woodcarving, cross-stone carving, painting, miniature painting, traditional song, and dance, and participate in various exhibitions, festivals, and local and international competitions. Eighteen local masters of their craft and artists share their knowledge and experience to those interested. The purpose of the project is to contribute to the cultural and economic stabilization of communities and to improve the spiritual and socio-economic conditions of the population through the safeguarding and transmission of ICH. Over the years, the program is gradually expanding geographically and supporting communities whose cultural life may have been inactive for a while.





Watch the videos:

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IPdo3p76d3Y>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F4QAcO80H> UM
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DeK-sgtwhdg>

Naira Kilichyan, FP (Armenia)

European Heritage Days 2023 initiatives in Luxembourg

The European Heritage Days coordinator and the ICH officer at the Ministry of Culture joined forces for EHD 2023. They will be supported by the National Architectural Heritage

	<p>Institute and a trainee. Following a common launching event held in February, all communities of the 15 ICH elements inscribed on the national Inventory, will be supported in the organization of activities during the EHD week. Finally, a concluding event is planned for the 30 September in Luxembourg City.</p> <p>A special funding for participating ICH communities has been made available. The Luxembourg Ministry of Culture also launched the spreading of information around ICH on Social Media, both in Luxembourgish and English. See the specially dedicated website: www.journeesdupatrimoine.lu, as well as the website for Luxembourg Living Heritage – www.iki.lu, and Social Media: https://www.facebook.com/IKILuxembourg & https://bit.ly/3kCy60s</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Patrick Dondelinger, FP (Luxemburg)</i></p>
 <p>© Rosamaria Bolom</p>	<p>Ambassadors of Living Heritage Project – Finland</p> <p>Ambassadors of Living Heritage, a project coordinated by the Finnish Heritage Agency, has trained six ambassadors, held workshops and brought more diverse perspectives to the work on ICH and inventorying. Based on the workshops, six new articles were created on the Wiki-Inventory for Living Heritage in four different languages from Iran, Mexico, Chile, Latvia and Jewish culture in Finland. The project was implemented in cooperation with the Arts Promotion Centre Finland Taikie, the Culture for All Service and Globe Art Point.</p> <p>read more >></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Leena Marsio, FP (Finland)</i></p>
	<p>GreenHeritage. The Impact of Climate Change on the Intangible Cultural Heritage (2022–2025) – Latvia*</p> <p>A new international Erasmus+ project on the impact of climate change upon ICH has been launched in late 2022 and will run until 2025. GreenHeritage aims at developing a holistic, innovative and inclusive approach toward direct and indirect climate change impact on ICH, a topic which has received little to no attention at all. The project undertakes innovative tools and methodologies to promote the use of adaptive and systemic approaches towards coping with climate change and its direct and indirect impact on all aspects of Europe’s cultural heritage.</p> <p>The main coordinator of the GreenHeritage project is the National Research Council (<i>Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche</i>) of Italy. The consortium of partners also includes</p>

other institutions from Italy (Centro Universitario Europeo per i Beni Culturali; Fondazione Centro Euro-Mediterraneo sui Cambiamenti Climatici), as well as from Latvia (LU Literatūras, folkloras un mākslas institūts), Greece (Πανεπιστήμιο Αιγαίου; Εταιρεία Έρευνας, Εκπαίδευσης, Καινοτομίας και Ανάπτυξης της ΠΙΒΑ; Athens Lifelong Learning Institute; ReadLab), Spain (Fundación Santa María la Real del Patrimonio Histórico), and Belgium (Candide International BV). The members of the European Network of Focal Points are kindly invited to cooperate in the data collection phase.

[read more >>](#)

Rita Grīnvalde (Latvia)

La Convención - Actividades

20 Aniversario de la Convención de Patrimonio Cultural Inmaterial

En el año 2003 se firmó en París la Convención para la Salvaguarda del Patrimonio Cultural Inmaterial. Desde entonces, los países de todo el mundo lo han ratificado y promovido su implementación, a través de importantes iniciativas de carácter científico, artístico y cultural que promueven una conciencia colectiva del patrimonio de los pueblos de la humanidad.

España ratificó la Convención en el año 2004, hoy en día cuenta con 19 elementos inscritos en la Lista Representativa de PCI, 4 en el Registro de Buenas Prácticas de Salvaguarda. Además, la Convención es el pilar de un programa global de identificación, representación y transmisión del Patrimonio Cultural Inmaterial, que contribuye a la protección de los bienes inmateriales.

Desde su ratificación hace 19 años, la Convención ha motivado y generado ideas e iniciativas que han permitido mejorar la gestión, el conocimiento y la transmisión del patrimonio cultural inmaterial, con el desarrollo sostenible y el empoderamiento de género.

¡Celebremos el 20 Aniversario de la Convención de Patrimonio Cultural Inmaterial!



Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of 2003 UNESCO Convention – Spain

The 20th Anniversary of the 2003 Convention has been reflected in different events organized by the Spanish Ministry of Culture and Sport – the launching of a special website about the anniversary, presentation of ICH in Madrid Book Fair, webinars, workshops, etc.

The website ([link](#)) includes information about ICH elements from Spain already included in the lists and about activities envisioned to note 20th Anniversary of the Convention. An online publication of cards is being prepared which contains information about the elements in Spain included in the Representative List and in the Register of Good Practices of UNESCO. Print copies of these cards will be distributed between communities and bearers of these elements.

For the International Women’s Day on March 8, a webinar was organized on the role of women in ICH, named **“Women as bearers of ICH”** ([link](#)). The aim of the webinar was to outline the active role of women in ICH transmission, creation and development. The speakers at this webinar were female bearers, who shared their experiences and points of view about the topic. The video from the webinar will be uploaded on the website.

In addition, two public and free workshops about practices related to ICH will be organized with participation of ICH bearers who will convey knowledge and techniques to young people. The two workshops will be about “jota” (a typical Spanish dance for which we are preparing a nomination) and about the whistled language from Gomera Island, which is already included in the Representative List of ICH.

The Spanish Ministry of Culture and Sport is planning to extend these workshops during the year, offering at least four



additional ones in different national museums managed by the Ministry. These workshops will relate the collections and the themes of the museums that relate to some of the ICH elements from Spain on UNESCO's Representative List, inviting people from all age-groups and backgrounds to participate. Among the envisioned workshops are a Talavera Pottery workshop for kids at the America Museum (Madrid) or a Flamenco dance workshop at the Shepardic Museum (Toledo).

Marta Duarte Chacón, Ministry of Culture and Sports (Spain)



Republic of Croatia
Ministry of Culture and Media
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Ministarstvo kulture i medija

Series of events for the 20th Anniversary of 2003 UNESCO Convention – Croatia

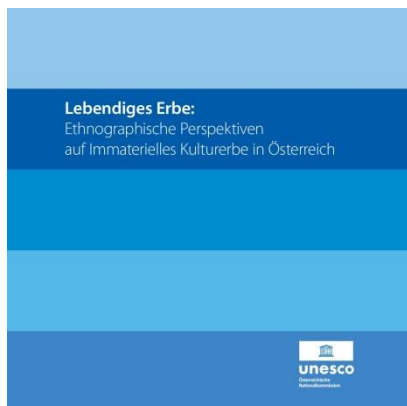
The Republic of Croatia via the Ministry of Culture and Media has started marking the 20th anniversary by announcing the co-founded ICH safeguarding activities throughout the country. The calendar of events is available under the following link:

[check out the events >>](#)

Mirela Hrovatin, FP (Croatia)

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PUBLICATIONS IN FOCUS



Lebendiges Erbe: Ethnographische Perspektiven auf Immaterielles Kulturerbe in Österreich (Eng: Living Heritage: Ethnographic Perspectives on Intangible Cultural Heritage in Austria)

In cooperation with the Institute for Cultural and Social Anthropology of the University of Vienna, the Austrian Commission for UNESCO presents the newly published brochure summarizing the research results of students of the institute, who have dealt for the past year with ICH in Austria. The nine contributions are ethnological examinations of practices of the national inventory, not (yet) included practices and take a (critical) look at the national inventory in general. The brochure is available in German language with English abstracts.

Link to publication:

<https://www.unesco.at/kultur/immaterielles->

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Cristina Biasetto, FP (Austria)

NEW ENTRIES ON NATIONAL INVENTORIES

- **Germany:** The Nationwide Inventory of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Germany has been expanded by 13 elements, including 2 good safeguarding practices. [See new entries](#)

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