WORKSHOP

"Deciphering the UNESCO 2015 Recommendation"

*Keynote: Nao Hayashi - UNESCO Museums Programme Coordinator

On 17th and 18th September, ICOM Kyoto Organising Committee and other institutions held a workshop called “Deciphering the UNESCO 2015 Recommendation”. UNESCO Museums Programme Coordinator Ms. Nao Hayashi gave a talk about the Recommendation, as she was one of the members behind its development. More than 30 Japanese museum professionals attended.

It was a rare chance to learn how it was developed and get key insights and understanding of it. In the latter part, participants worked into two groups and had a discussion based on the Recommendation. One was about policy making for Japanese museums, another group talked about how to use the Recommendation in museum activity management.

Meetings from June 2017~

8 June 2017

ICOM Annual Meetings @UNESCO, Paris

At the 83rd session of the Advisory Council meeting at UNESCO, Dr Sasaki (President of ICOM KYOTO 2019 Organising Committee) gave a report, delivering updates on ICOM Kyoto 2019.
On 22nd September, ICOM Kyoto Organising Committee held a workshop “London 2012 – Culture and Museums”. Mr. Hedley Swain from Arts Council England who oversaw much of the development and delivery of the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad. His talk contained many insights into holding a series of cultural events. Following the talk, attendees with different backgrounds discussed cultural events in association with Tokyo 2020 Olympics and ICOM Kyoto 2019. In the discussion, participants first decided their target audiences, considered the unique features, gave their events titles, and also tried to foresee those events’ impact over the next ten years. On the next day, 23rd September, Mr. Swain gave a talk “Cultural Olympiad Programme and Museums”. He explained about the latest trends in cultural policy in the UK and how he managed London 2012 Cultural Olympiad. It was a good chance for audiences to think about what we can do for ICOM Kyoto 2019 and Tokyo 2020 Cultural Olympiad.

Each group discussed possible plans for ICOM Kyoto 2019 conference

Briefing sessions with IC Contact Persons

ICOM KYOTO 2019 Steering Committee is preparing for the Kyoto Conference with our representatives as “Contact Person” who help communication between the Steering Committee and each of 30 International Committees (ICs). The ICOM 2019 office held briefing sessions with the contact persons for 4 days in August 2017. We overviewed the schedule of each IC’s prospective meeting and the essential duty of preparing for the Conference in 2019.

Contact Persons attended the sessions

6 October 2017
3rd Organising Committee Meeting
@ Heian Jingu Shrine

Members had an open-ended discussion regarding the progress report and future issues for ICOM Kyoto 2019 Conference.

10 March 2018
2nd Steering Committee Meeting
@ Kyoto National Museum
**International Museum Day 2018 Symposium**

This year’s symposium was held at the Osaka Museum of History on 19th May. In the first part, we had three keynote speeches by Terry Simioti Nyambe (ICOM Executive Board, Zambia), José Alberto Ribeiro (ICOM Portugal President), and Alvin Tan Tze Ee (Assistant Chief Executive, National Heritage Board, Singapore). In the second part, four Japanese museum professionals and the three keynote speakers took part in a panel discussion and delivered their ideas on this year’s theme “Hyperconnected museums: New approaches, new publics”.

**Networking Session**

A day of meeting and networking events for Kyoto’s museum professionals took place on 11 March. In the morning, ICOM Kyoto 2019 Office held a meeting and shared the outline of ICOM Kyoto 2019 and other ideas about how local museums in Kyoto could be part of the conference. More than 30 museum delegates from Kyoto took part in a lively exchange of ideas on the subject of involving the city’s people and local museums in planning, to make ICOM Kyoto 2019 more enjoyable and inclusive for all.

In the afternoon there was a networking event for our 30 IC Contact Persons to exchange ideas with museum delegates from Kyoto. Approximately 50 people participated and they made new connections and found collaborative opportunities – for projects, meetings and excursions.
With the theme “Museums as Cultural Hubs: the Future of Tradition”, the ICOM Kyoto 2019 General Conference aims to provide a forum on 30th SEPTEMBER 2018 at Maizuru. The aim is to consider how museums can be hubs to create a richer future whilst respecting the traditions of the past. At the Maizuru Meeting with one year before the ICOM Kyoto 2019, we would like to welcome research and case studies on this subject, and we hope to pioneer the debate at ICOM Kyoto 2019. This meeting will be a conference open to the public.

**CALL FOR PAPER**

**THEME 1 – Global Issues and Museums**
**THEME 2 – Local Communities and Museums**

An abstract of no more than 350 words in English (or 500 characters in Japanese) by filling in the proposal form will be needed for application.

**DEADLINE** for submission of abstracts: 30 JUNE 2018
Announcement of approved proposals: 31 July 2018
Presentation: 30 September 2018
For more information, check ICOM Kyoto 2019 website.

**New Brochure and Video! for ICOM Kyoto 2019**

We are now offering the 3rd circular brochure for the 2019 conference! The latest version contains information on the registration fee and brief programme of the conference. We will take the opportunity to introduce it at the ICOM annual meetings in Paris in June 2018!

The new version of our promotion video is also be unveiled at the annual meetings in June and then be uploaded on the ICOM Kyoto 2019 website. You can see many beautiful shots of the major museums in the Kyoto area, which you will have the opportunity to visit during the conference.

**COMING SOON! Sponsorship**

We are pleased to invite you to enjoy exclusive branding opportunities at ICOM Kyoto 2019. There are several types of sponsorship; "Overall Sponsorship Package", "Conference Items Sponsorship Package" which provides novelty goods such as congress bags, "Service Sponsorship Package" which provides services such as food and beverages, and Wi-Fi system. The manual will soon be updated on the ICOM Kyoto 2019 website.

**Check our website and Facebook page!!**

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