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### **Approved Minutes**

Advisory Committee on Cultural Heritage  
Thursday 23 June, 2022, 16:00-17:00 CEST  
Teleconference

**In attendance:** Helen Vincent, Huanwen Cheng, Ramesh C Gaur, Ry Moran, Claire McGuire (IFLA HQ)

**Apologies:** Carlos Alberto Della Paschoa, Dorothea Sommer, Cecilia Salvatore, Mariia Kolpakova, Russell Lynch, Daryl Green, Liisa Savolainen, Rashidah Bolhassan, Stacy Allison-Cassin, Silvia Stasselova

#### **1. Welcome and Approval of Agenda**

The committee reflected on low attendance at virtual meetings, which has been preventing even the most basic of business, such as approving minutes, due to lack of quorum. As a reminder, decisions are taken by simple majority and this committee cannot bypass the need for quorum.

A solution was proposed to work asynchronously – to ask committee members to give feedback by email on decisions that have been proposed within a 24-hour period. A list of decisions can also be posted on Basecamp for ratification following a meeting.

#### ***Decisions:***

1. IFLA HQ will send future meetings directly as meeting invitation, rather than with the meeting invitation included as an attachment.
2. IFLA HQ or Chair should contact those who have not been in the past meetings to check what is wrong and look for solutions.  
*Status: Outstanding, requires action.*
3. The Chair should remind committee members that if they cannot attend, they can give proxy rights to another committee members or to the Chair.  
*Status: Ramesh to send reminder email regarding voting by proxy. IFLA HQ to also remind members ahead of WLIC 2022 meeting.*
4. The Agenda for the June meeting was not approved as proposed, given the lack of quorum. Instead, the Chair asked for the discussion on CCH Roles to move to a future meeting, but the discussion on the WLIC 2022 Open Session to continue as planned. This was agreed.

#### **2. Approval of Minutes, April 2022**

The minutes from April 2022 were approved by those in attendance, but the meeting was not quorate.

**Decision:**

1. Circulate minutes from January and April meetings by email. If no input is received, the minutes will be shared as drafts online.

*Status: minutes circulated; no feedback received. To be uploaded to IFLA repository.*

### 3. CCH Roles

The Chair asked for this discussion to take place in a future meeting.

### 4. WLIC 2022 CCH Sessions

Members of the committee taking on organisation of the session, with input from IFLA HQ, informed the committee of the status of this session. Three out of four speakers had confirmed representing a variety of perspectives.

**Decisions:**

1. The Chair asked Helen Vincent to moderate this session and to chair the CCH Business Meeting in his absence. This was accepted.
2. The CCH should invite other cultural heritage related units to the committee's business meeting at WLIC.
3. IFLA HQ should circulate a programme of all cultural heritage events at WLIC to the information coordinators of relevant sections to help promote.

*Status: IFLA HQ will do this by email in the week before WLIC.*

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### 5. Updates from Committee Members

#### **Trafficking**

The committee was updated on actions taking in the area of combatting theft and trafficking. A report to the GB is forthcoming. This will include -Information, suggested action, and suggestion for IFLA's new Secretary General (when appointed) to coordinate with ICA's new chief executive.

A noted challenge from Ukraine is that there is little information about where collections are stored, for example, Ukraine has no national bibliography. This could be a matter for further review.

A potential joint webinar about registration of collections with ICA (via EGATTT) is being considered for Q3 of 2022. This could review different registers, including Memory of the World, the IFLA Risk Register, and national registers. The committee was enthusiastic about this idea.

***Follow-up Actions:***

1. IFLA HQ offered assistance in hosting on IFLA webinar platform – will continue to support.
2. IFLA HQ to confirm best GB meeting date for update on trafficking.
3. IFLA HQ and committee to explore further possibilities for coordinating with UNESCO on this topic.

***Repatriation***

It was suggested this trafficking work could dovetail with the conversation on repatriation, in terms of colonial cultural property trafficking. The language being used in some dialogues on this topic is the language of theft and return.

***Follow-up Actions:***

1. Continue discussion on activities the committee might move forward within this subject.

No other business.

Close of meeting.