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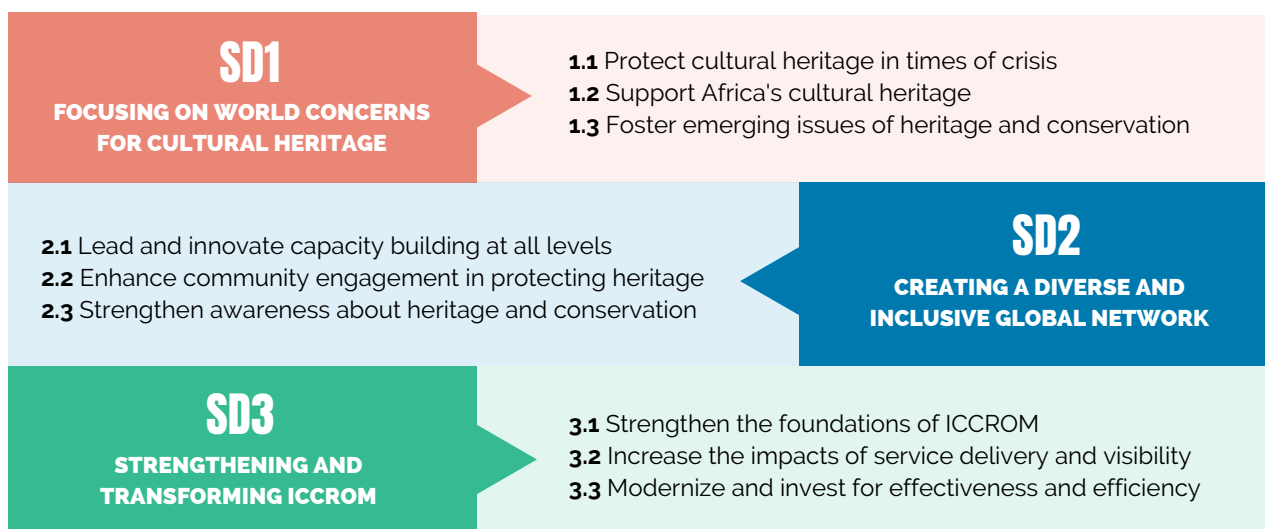
QUARTERLY
REPORT 1

ABOUT US

Cultural heritage is fundamental to sustainable development and well-being. Yet, it needs care, protection and effective management. Those entrusted with conserving heritage need tools and support to do their job to the best of their abilities.

ICCROM is an intergovernmental organization working in service to its Member States to promote the conservation of all forms of cultural heritage in every region. ICCROM is where communities, heritage professionals and governments collaborate to innovate and advance knowledge. Our strength lies in shifting viewpoints and creating heritage leaders for the future.

WE CURRENTLY DO THIS THROUGH THREE **STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS (SDs)** AND RESPECTIVE OBJECTIVES:



AND THROUGH OUR COMMITMENT TO THE UN 2030 **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:**



FROM THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL

Dear ICCROM family and friends,

The first quarter of any year sets the tone for the rest of the year. If the first quarter of 2023 is a true indication, this year will be full of high engagement with and effective collaboration between ICCROM, our Member States and our worldwide partners.



We've started the year off with a successful second annual informational meeting of Member States and permanent observers from all regions of the world. It was a pleasure to see so many Member States come together to learn more about the work of ICCROM and receive important information about the upcoming 33rd session of the General Assembly.

We placed particular emphasis on fostering our relationship with our host country, Italy, this quarter. For more than 60 years, ICCROM's headquarters have been hosted on Italian territory, allowing us to strengthen mutually beneficial collaborations with heritage professionals and institutions here. This quarter, we were happy to participate in an expert roundtable on culture and climate organized by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation and to speak at the Soft Power of Italy conference, which has become an annual tradition. We have also enjoyed spending time with the Ministry of Culture through reciprocal [visits](#) to each other's headquarters and look forward to continuing to nourish our collaboration in the near future.

We are proud to have a strong network around the globe that is ready to respond to crises, such as the earthquake that devastated Türkiye and Syria in January. We offer our condolences for the lives lost, and the extensive damage caused and express our solidarity with the affected communities, as well as those engaged in first aid and civil protection activities. ICCROM always stands ready to support the conservation of all forms of cultural heritage in all our Member States.

This includes Brazil, where our risk management methodology was put into practice to help safeguard cultural heritage in the recent events of vandalism in the World Heritage Property of Brasilia. [Read the words](#) of Ms Gilcy Rodrigues Azevedo, Head of Preservation Services at Brazil's Chamber of Deputies, who said that we helped her team save Brazil's memory.

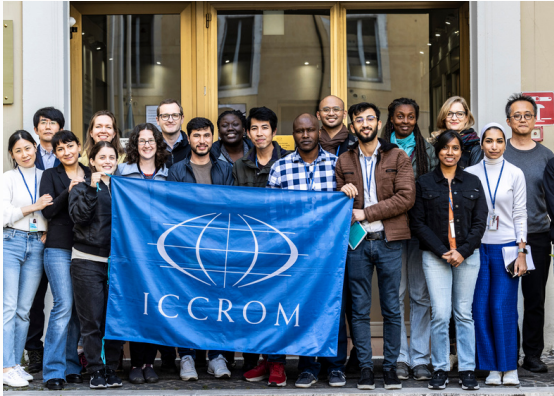
We continue taking action to preserve Ukraine's heritage, aiding the society's long-term recovery and future resilience. This quarter, we were honoured to receive an outpouring of support from the United States. With their generous contribution, we will be able to conduct the first phase of our long-term plan of enhancing capacities for crisis response and recovery, working closely with the Ukrainian Ministry of Culture and Information Policy.

We have no plans to slow down as we prepare for the General Assembly this fall. We thank all those who joined us at the informational meeting in March and welcome you to continue keeping in touch throughout the year as we work together to protect our cultural heritage for a better world.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Webber Nodoro'. The signature is written in a cursive, slightly stylized font.

Webber Nodoro
Director-General
ICCROM

Opening doors for heritage professionals



Conservation of Built Heritage course

The course is our first in-person course in Rome since before the pandemic.

New classifieds section

Share opportunities with the cultural heritage community!

HIGHLIGHTS OF Q1



Joining forces with our Member States



Safeguarding heritage in Ukraine with support of United States



Q1 AT A GLANCE

TRAINING



564

People trained



15

Field projects delivered



18

Training activities
(Courses & workshops delivered)



11

Interns, fellows & researchers



100

Resource people



143

Active institutional partnerships
(including secondments)

PROGRAMME RESEARCH



3

Ongoing surveys

5

Publications



17

Advisory services
of which 2 of them to WHC

4

New staff members



WEB STATISTICS



57

Web announcements posted



46K

Downloads



194K

Visits



390K

Total social media impressions

ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

Empowering Youth



Rwanda "Heritage Hub" is launched

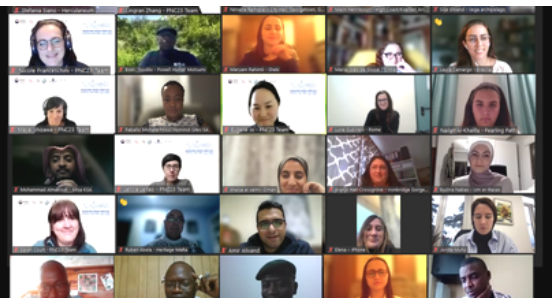
On 31 January, a culture-focused "Heritage Hub" was officially launched to make cultural heritage a source of sustainable economic and social benefit for Rwanda's youth.

[Read more](#)

25 graduate from our Heritage Recovery Programme in Mosul and launch new NGO

We celebrated a milestone in Mosul as 25 young architects and civil engineers graduated from our nine-month course on professional development.

[Read more](#)



Five People Nature Culture courses in 2023

This year's first edition of the People-Nature-Culture (PNC) course brought together 25 practitioners from 24 countries.

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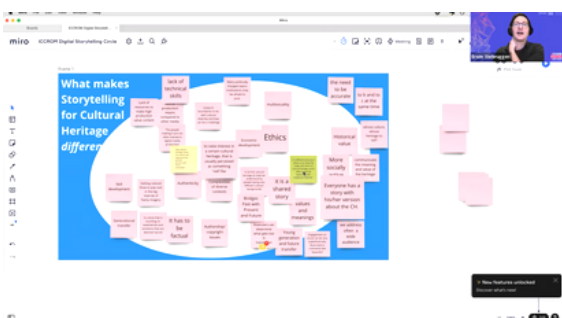
Second phase of World Heritage Leadership

In March, the Foundation Partners of the World Heritage Leadership programme met in Rome to kick off Phase 2 and shape future work on World Heritage capacity building.

[Read more](#)



The Future



The Digital Story Circle workshop

ICCROM's newest programme, Sustaining Digital Heritage (SDH), held our first workshop on telling and preserving heritage stories in the digital realm.

[Read more](#)

World Heritage

BUILDING CAPACITY



First Aid and Resilience for Cultural Heritage in Times of Crisis (FAR)

- PROCULTHER-NET, Protecting Cultural Heritage from the Consequences of Disasters-Network (delivered in 2 cycles)

World Heritage Leadership (WHL)

- Management Effectiveness Workshop for the Revision of the 3rd ICMP of the World Heritage property of Robben Island
- Workshop for Periodic Reporting in Germany
- Managing World Heritage: People Nature Culture (PNC23)
- DRM Advanced course with ARC-WH on Climate Action for Heritage
- Course on Impact Assessment in a World Heritage Context
- Renewable Energy Transition in a World Heritage Context
- International Course on DRM of Historic Urban Areas in collaboration with SEAMEO SPAFA and Ritsumeikan

Sustainability and Built Heritage

- Capacity Building for holistic, sustainable and resilient recovery of Mosul, Iraq

Our Collections Matter

- OCM Field Projects

Sustaining Digital Heritage

- Workshop "The Digital Story Circle: Telling and Preserving Heritage Stories in the Digital Realm"

ATHAR

- MSc Programme in Conservation Management of Cultural Heritage
- Conservation of historic sites and buildings
- Conservation of Museum Collections
- Management of Museums

Youth.Heritage.Africa (YHA)

- Digital Technologies for Heritage : World Heritage Future Lab
- Atelier sur la gestion des réserves
- Fundraising and Partnership Engagement workshop



More information about our programmes is available on our website.

ADVOCACY



Launching the Davos Baukultur Alliance

On 16 January 2023, we signed the Founding Act of the Davos Baukultur Alliance at the 2nd Conference of European Ministers of Culture.



Joining cultural heritage leaders at ALIPH Forum

We joined our long-standing partner, the ALIPH Foundation, and other cultural heritage preservation leaders at the 2023 ALIPH Forum in Abu Dhabi.



3 new publications

This quarter, we published [Heritage Management Practices: Voices from the Field](#), proceedings of the [second Arab Forum](#), and [Conversaciones No. 11](#).

ON THE BLOG



Modern technology isn't enough to reduce the risk of disaster: We need traditional & Indigenous knowledge

By Rohit Jigyasu

ICCROM BRAND REFRESH EXCITING NEWS!

We are happy to announce that a branding agency has been officially selected to take us on the journey toward a fresh and bold new brand identity.

More details to come!

RESEARCH



The next generation

In the first quarter of 2022, we welcomed one fellow and ten new interns!



Sustainable development through heritage

We wrapped up the first phase of the CH4IG project and are planning the next.



Measuring our impact in Ukraine

Results are in: ICCROM-FAR's app for damage and risk assessment in Ukraine

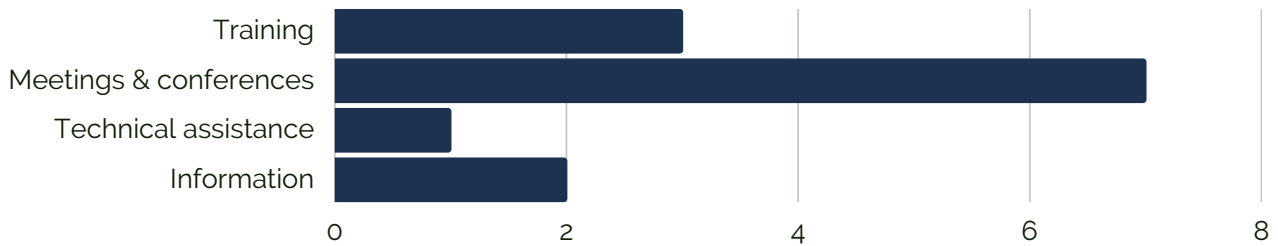
SERVICES

ADVISORY SERVICES

15 Requesting Parties

11 Member States

Brazil
Brunei
Ecuador
Italy
Japan
Nigeria
Switzerland
Türkiye
Ukraine
United Arab Emirates
United Kingdom



RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

Discover the resources highlighted this quarter!



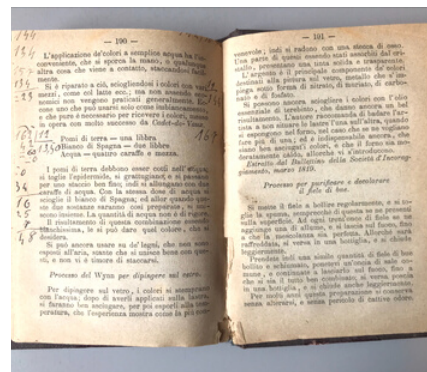
January

Hague Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict: more relevant than ever in 2023



February

Ethiopia: Detail of angel ceiling, Debre Berhan Selassie Church, Gondar



March

A 145-year-old "book of recipes, formulas and secrets"

LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

LIBRARY

37

Requests

Document delivery

109

Articles sent

Reference services

6

Requests

278

Records added

Catalogue

Periodicals

25

Renewed
subscriptions



21

Countries reached through
Library services

Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark,
Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iran, Italy
Netherlands, Pakistan, Peru, Spain,
Switzerland, Tunisie, Türkiye, United Arab
Emirates, United Kingdom, United States

Visit requests

163

Requests

BCIN now in
French & Spanish

BCIN a tool for retrieving
bibliographic information on
cultural heritage conservation

BIBLIOGRAPHIC
DATABASE OF THE
CONSERVATION
INFORMATION
NETWORK



RECORDS & ARCHIVES

Reference & access

31

Enquiries

Resources shared

144

Projects

[Mora Samples Collection
Project](#)

[InterPARES Trust AI](#)

Countries reached through
Records & Archive services:

Austria, China, France, Germany, India, Italy, Netherlands,
Switzerland, Türkiye and United States of America



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from our Member States can apply for a
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ENGAGING WITH MEMBER STATES

VISITS TO ICCROM

Ambassador Cindy McCain visits Sharjah, UAE

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Visit from representatives of the Stati Generali del Patrimonio Italiano

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Visit from Ambassador of Spain

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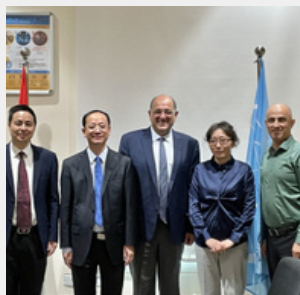


Visit from Ambassador of Sudan to Italy

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Delegation from the National Cultural Heritage Administration (NCHA) of China visited Sharjah

[Read more](#)



Ministry of Culture of Italy visits ICCROM headquarters

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[All visitors news](#)

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ICCROM CELEBRATES



The People's Democratic Republic of Algeria

50 years with ICCROM

Member State since 18/01/1973

What does it mean to be an ICCROM Member State?

We answered this and many other questions during our second annual Member State Induction Briefing held on

20 March 2023

We thank the representatives of our Member States and permanent observers from all regions of the world who attended this meeting.

[Read more](#)

DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S MISSIONS

RWANDA

Jan-Feb 2023



KENYA

February 2023



FRANCE

February 2023



USA

February 2023



CANADA

February 2023



SAUDI ARABIA

March 2023



OMAN

March 2023



ENGAGING WITH PARTNERS



Photo: "Postcards from Ukraine," the Ukrainian Institute

Safeguarding cultural heritage in Ukraine with support of United States

The United States has contributed close to \$250,000 to support ICCROM's efforts in building Ukrainian professionals' capacities to safeguard and recover their cultural heritage.

With this grant, ICCROM will work closely with the Ministry of Culture and Information Policy and the Heritage Emergency Response Initiative (HERI) of Ukraine to conduct systematic damage and risk assessments at endangered heritage places.

Following the announcement of the grant, on 30 March 2023, the US Mission to the UN Agencies in Rome organized an event for members of the Rome-based diplomatic corps to learn more about ICCROM's preservation efforts in Ukraine and the important role ICCROM plays in safeguarding cultural heritage in times of crisis. [Read more](#)

OUR PARTNERSHIPS

9 Partnership agreements

Flagship programmes



Other activities



Funds committed



We thank the **Agency for Cultural Affairs** of the Government of Japan for strengthening ICCROM's human resources through secondments



Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft
Confédération suisse
Confederazione Svizzera
Confederaziun svizra

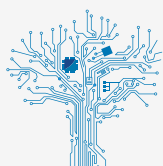
Swiss Confederation

Federal Department of Home Affairs FDHA
Federal Office of Culture FOC

We thank the **Swiss Federal Office of Culture** for supporting our Resource Mobilization efforts by providing voluntary contributions

STRENGTHENING ICCROM

SMART ICCROM



We have concluded the migration to MS 365 and provided training to ICCROM's staff on Outlook, Teams and OneDrive. At the same time, we have carried out several projects to modernize our IT infrastructure (on-premises and cloud-based) and to improve overall security.



Ongoing meetings with service provider to best design and implement the E-Learning platform.



Last quality control phase for the Records and Archives website is being undertaken. The development phase of the Register for Samples Archives website is being concluded.



Selected service provider for the Library digitization project and launched the initiative to offer OpenAthens accounts to researchers. Identifying location for scanning environment at ICCROM.

Among all activities related to the analysis, the CRM project team first met providers that gave an overview of their products and then started a selection process for a consulting company to carry out an assessment on the internal analysis, with a focus on the "AS-IS". In the meantime, the activities database is kept up-to-date.



GREEN ICCROM



100% OFFSET!

We fully offset our carbon emissions from air travel and energy consumption (HQ) in the first quarter of 2023.



We've also offset 352.35 kg of CO₂e through DHL's GoGreen Climate Neutral services!



We did so through the UN Carbon Offset Platform, where we are able to choose the beneficiary. Check out [the project we benefitted](#) this quarter.

Monitoring ICCROM's carbon footprint: energy & gas consumption, paper & printing, air travel.

Carbon footprint dashboard updated on a quarterly basis.



ADMINISTRATION

Policy & Regulations

- Performance Management System guidelines - Received positive feedback from Bureau
- Revenue Management Process - Approved by management
- Anti-bribery and Corruption Policy - draft finalized for FAC
- Administrative circulars created
- Guidelines for the management of external funds issued (AC2023_01)
- Teleworking Guidelines issued (AC2023_02)

Recruiting & Restructuring

- Ongoing onboarding of the World Heritage Leadership Programme Officer
- Finalized selection of Movable Heritage Project Officer
- Finalized selection of Communication Officer
- Finalized selection of HR Assistant
- Finalized selection of Accounting Assistant
- Ongoing selection of ICT Assistant
- Finalized Invitation to Bid for Executive Search Firm
- Ongoing Invitations to Bid:
 - Translation and Interpretation Firm
 - Branding Agency
- 2023 Unit Workplans produced
- Initiated trainings for Executives and Project Managers

BUDGET STATUS

ICCROM's 2023 budget implementation status at the end of the first quarter is presented below, disaggregated according to the three Strategic Directions (SDs). The amounts in EUR correspond to the total budget for the year, including operations and costs (excluding staff costs). The percentages indicate the fraction of the annual budget spent by the end of this quarter.



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On the cover: Net Zero Participants visited the National Park of Cinque Terre, Italy
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