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:

**SD1**
FOCUSBING ON WORLD CONCERNS FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE

- 1.1 Protect cultural heritage in times of crisis
- 1.2 Support Africa’s cultural heritage
- 1.3 Foster emerging issues of heritage and conservation

**SD2**
CREATING A DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE GLOBAL NETWORK

- 2.1 Lead and innovate capacity building at all levels
- 2.2 Enhance community engagement in protecting heritage
- 2.3 Strengthen awareness about heritage and conservation

**SD3**
STRENGTHENING AND TRANSFORMING ICCROM

- 3.1 Strengthen the foundations of ICCROM
- 3.2 Increase the impacts of service delivery and visibility
- 3.3 Modernize and invest for effectiveness and efficiency

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

1. **Sustainable cities and communities**
2. **Quality education**
3. **Good health and well being**
4. **Climate action**
5. **Gender equality**
6. **Peace, justice and strong institutions**
7. **Partnerships for the goals**
8. **Decent work and economic growth**
9. **Industry, innovation and infrastructure**
10. **Reduced inequalities**
11. **Sustainable cities and communities**
12. **Responsible consumption and production**
It would be cliché to say that our heritage – our world – is facing greater challenges now than in living memory. But it is true that, even in just these past three months, the ICCROM Family has mourned catastrophes worldwide.

Across our programmes and through our First Aid and Resilience for Cultural Heritage in Times of Crisis (FAR) programme in particular, we stand ready to assist Member States in reducing risks, as well as safeguarding and recovery. There’s a saying that “it takes a village,” but these days, our global network of thousands is what’s required. Everyone who has been touched by ICCROM, and all of those who have touched this organization, have a part to play in coming together to face our current realities.

A quarter of a year is a microcosm of the year, just as a year is a microcosm of an era. We have faced adversity this quarter, as we have many times in ICCROM’s six decades. But we have also celebrated successes, such as watching the future generation of heritage caretakers flourish and holding the first ICCROM activities for heritage professionals in Central Asia - CollAsia 2023 on the scientific principles of collections care (CollAsia 2023), organized at the National Museum of Tajikistan in Dushanbe.

As much as we see division in our world, I see the cultural heritage community coming closer together. As we navigate through the challenges and triumphs of preserving and protecting cultural heritage, one thing remains clear: partnership is the cornerstone of our success. We’re honoured to announce the generous contribution made by the Australian Government to support a new climate action project undertaken by the ICCROM-IUCN World Heritage Leadership programme, the UNESCO World Heritage Centre, ICOMOS and IUCN. We sincerely thank Australia for its important contribution, which will play a critical role in responding in a meaningful and sustainable way to climate impacts at World Heritage sites and their related communities.
When we unite with others towards a common goal, our impact becomes greater than the sum of our individual efforts. This was highlighted as we gathered for the 33rd General Assembly, where I was happy to see many of our Member States representatives and partners in person for the first time since 2019.

I would like to take this opportunity to remember a notable figure in ICCROM’s history. We were saddened to learn that former ICCROM Staff member Rosalia Varoli-Piazza is no longer with us. I send my deepest condolences to Ms Varoli-Piazza’s family and friends on behalf of ICCROM Staff and all those who, through ICCROM’s activities, benefitted from her work and teachings.

Webber Ndoro
Director-General
ICCROM

First ICCROM activity in Central Asia

The 2023 CollAsia course was held in Tajikistan - our newest Member State.

On-the-ground in Ukraine

The FAR team was in Ukraine in July and August to help build national capacities.

World Heritage Site Managers Forum

The 5th WHSMF was held at the World Heritage Committee in Saudia Arabia.
Q3 AT A GLANCE

- **316** People trained
- **114** Resource people
- **30** Field projects ongoing
- **3** Publications
- **159** Active institutional partnerships (including secondments)
- **5** New interns
- **15** Training activities (Courses & workshops delivered)

WEB STATISTICS

- **65** Web announcements posted
- **221.3K** Visits
- **14.4K** Downloads
- **347K** Total social media impressions
ACTIVITIES THIS QUARTER

Joining partners for a post-conflict recovery course
ICCROM, UNESCO and Fondazione Santagata’s joint capacity-building efforts in post-conflict contexts have led to 24 international participants graduating from the Post-Conflict Recovery Summer School based on the case study of Mosul, Iraq.

Read more

International summer school centres youth & heritage
The three-week programme focused on cultural heritage as a component of identity and belonging and heritage reconstruction as a part of peacebuilding and social recovery.

Read more

Needs & strategies for heritage capacity building in Africa
A powerful and diverse group gathered at ICCROM headquarters for 3 days to fully immerse themselves in sharing needs and visions and working together for a better future for African heritage.

Read more

CH4IG project case studies online
Now available for the first time – explore the Cultural Heritage for Inclusive Growth (CH4IG) UK-Southeast Asia Collaboration projects! These projects are some of the many grassroots initiatives taking place in the region.

Read more

Helping identify in Sudan
In July, we co-organized a workshop in Cairo, Egypt, to support Sudan’s National Corporation for Antiquities and Museums (NCAM) in safeguarding Sudan’s heritage amid the ongoing crisis.

Read more
### Course Catalogue available on ICCROM website

Explore diverse methodologies, collaborate with leading institutions, and stay up-to-date with regular course additions!

**Building Capacity**

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More information about our programmes is available on our website.
**ADVOCACY**

**Sustainable culture and agri-food security**
The 5th Conference for Euro-African Academic Partnerships examined the valuable contributions of cultural heritage to sustainable agricultural practices.

**Special Issue Journal Heritage Place Lab**
The new Special Issue of the Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development focuses on results of the Heritage Place Lab of the ICCROM-IUCN World Heritage Leadership (WHL) programme.

**First ICCROM-NRICH activity under new MoU**
The joint ICCROM and NRICH international symposium, “World Archaeology: Ancient Cities and Royal Capitals,” was the first outcome of the MoU signed between the two in June.

**ON THE BLOG**

**A heritage-based Net Zero Journey in Kasese, Uganda**
Blog from the team from the Cross Cultural Foundation of Uganda, one of the five participating groups of the Net Zero project.

**RESEARCH**

**New internship programme in Nantucket**
We are proud partners of a new initiative to involve graduate students in creating a disaster and climate risk management plan for the historic island of Nantucket in Massachusetts, USA.

**Five new interns on board**
During the third quarter of 2023, in addition to those fellows and volunteers who continued their work, we welcomed five new interns.
SERVICES

ADVISORY SERVICES

- **9** Requesting Parties
- **2** International organizations
- **3** Member States

- Angola
- India
- United Kingdom

Services include:

- Training
- Lectures
- Technical assistance
- Others

RESOURCE OF THE MONTH

Discover the resources highlighted this quarter!

**July**
Resources on safeguarding Nubian monuments from the impacts of the Aswan Dam’s construction.

**August**
Mural painting of the Humor Monastery, a World Heritage site located in Romania.

**September**
‘Pema and the Stolen Statue from Dolpa,’ a donated children’s book addressing illicit trade of cultural objects.
Gaël de Guichen donates RE-ORG archive to ICCROM

We were honoured to officially receive a donation of more than a decade’s worth of archival materials related to RE-ORG from Special Advisor to the Director-General and precursor of the RE-ORG Method, Mr Gaël de Guichen.

We thank Mr de Guichen for his generous contribution.
ENGAGING WITH MEMBER STATES
VISITS TO ICCROM

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ICCROM CELEBRATES

The Republic of Malawi
10 years with ICCROM
Member State since 25/07/2013

The Republic of Madagascar
60 years with ICCROM
Member State since 03/09/1963

Mongolia
20 years with ICCROM
Member State since 30/07/2003

The Republic of Zambia
20 years with ICCROM
Member State since 12/09/2003

DIRECTOR-GENERAL’S MISSIONS

REPUBLIC OF KOREA
July 2023

ZIMBABWE
August 2023

SAUDI ARABIA
September 2023

UAE
August 2023

AUSTRALIA
Aug-Sep 2023

USA
September 2023

ITALY
September 2023
Promoting cultural heritage and disseminating activities in Spanish with the Spanish Ministry of Culture and Sport, through IPCE

This Memorandum of Understanding, will give on one hand special attention to the cultural heritage of Ibero-American region. On the other, this collaboration will also support the development of the Heritage Sample Archives Initiative.

Responding in a meaningful and sustainable way to climate impacts at World Heritage sites with the Australian Government

Thanks to the generous contribution of the Australian government, a joint Capacity Development Project on Climate Action for World Heritage will identify training and capacity needs as well as barriers to climate action.

Photo credit: Instituto del Patrimonio Cultural de España
Among “Smart Business Environment” pillar activities, the IT team carried out several projects related to cyber security and data protection, infrastructure modernization, and IT services improvement. Remote access through a dedicated VPN solution, with the aim of enabling secure remote access to corporate data and systems, has been installed on almost all laptops.

Designing and structuring of E-learning platform tailored for ICCROM’s needs, establishing privacy policy, e-commerce applicability and coordinating pilot courses content build up.

The new Records and Archives Web Portal was launched in July. Sections of the ICCROM Archives inventory and Digital Collections, such as the Final Documents of the General Assembly from 1960 to 2019, are accessible to users and downloadable. Currently, 3,647 items are described and 1,154 documents are available online.

The ARC digitization project is coming to an end. Handouts in the Library and Course programmes 1965-83 have been digitized. The digital master files have been handed over to ICCROM and the images will be associated to the corresponding archival description on the Digital Collection’s platform, allowing the resources to be ready for consultation. 20 ARC study projects and 2 books have been scanned in-house and will be finalized within 2023.

The internal analysis was concluded in collaboration with the selected consulting company. To present the results and promote familiarization with the elements outlined in the output documents, a presentation was organized for ICCROM staff. After reviewing the documents and sharing them internally, the CRM Project Team started to evaluate a long-term collaboration with the company.

**Policy & Regulations**
- Revision AC 2023/01: Mgt Voluntary Contributions
- Hiring, recruiting and promotion guidelines - draft
- Revision AC 2023/04: template Memorandum of Understanding.

**Recruiting & Restructuring**
- Closing the induction course for the six new hires in 2023 and starting work on a booklet for new colleagues
- Supporting Units and line managers in mid-term review meeting of the performance development process
- Scouting for the organization that will carry out the organizational review
- Regional Office: detachment of one resource

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

Carbon footprint dashboard updated on a quarterly basis.

Monitoring ICCROM’s carbon footprint: energy & gas consumption, paper & printing, air travel.
**BUDGET STATUS**

ICCROM’s 2023 budget implementation status at the end of the third 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.

- **SD1**
  - 43.2%
  - € 2.147,599,06

- **SD2**
  - 57.4%
  - € 2.194,515,57

- **SD3**
  - 38.9%
  - € 1.167,303,96

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