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International Conference of UNESCO Balkan Clubs and Organizations

“Intangible Cultural Heritage at the Balkans – Government and Non-Government Sectors United in Safeguarding Europe ‘vital roots’ ”

The Conference is organized by Club UNESCO Leonardo Da Vinci-Sofia in cooperation with the Regional Center for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage in South-Eastern Europe under the auspices of UNESCO and the Diplomatic Institute to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria.

It is held under the auspices of the National Commission for UNESCO – Bulgaria and the European Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centers and Associations.

With the Conference we would like to commemorate also the 70th anniversary of UNESCO’s foundation and the 60th anniversary of Bulgaria’s accession to UNESCO. The event is included in the action plan of the Regional Centre for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in Southeastern Europe under the auspices of UNESCO.

The Conference will take place on **24th and 25th November 2016** at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria (2, Alexandar Zhendov Str.), Sofia, Bulgaria.

Concept brief:

In 2003 the General Conference of UNESCO admitted a Convention for safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage (ICH) focused on collecting and safeguarding the unique “vital roots” of mankind in the area of oral traditions and expressions (including language as a vehicle of the intangible cultural heritage); artistic and performing arts; social practices, rituals and festive events; knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe, traditional craftsmanship.

Bulgaria always dedicates a first grade importance to preserve the abundance and variety of these “vital roots”, and is dedicating efforts to accommodate this agreement and the long list of international approaches for collecting, preserving and deploying of World Cultural Heritage.

As a consequence, in 2008 it was exactly in Bulgaria that the First Regional Center for Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage in South-Eastern Europe under the auspices of UNESCO was founded.

All activities in this respect show the position of Bulgaria as a pillar in preserving centuries-old cultural values. The success of this with requires all efforts and positive energy of each NGO and Government structure to be integrated with UNESCO designations and objectives.



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Good examples of such synergy are France, Italy, Romania, Greece and other countries where NGOs working under the aegis of UNESCO, are united in national federations and actively participate in structuring and development of governmental, regional and local policies in the areas of culture, science and education.

For more than 12 years, Club UNESCO Leonardo da Vinci Sofia promotes UNESCO principles and objectives in the area of Bulgarian culture, science and education.

Objectives of the International Conference:

- Collection of current data for various forms of intangible cultural heritage in Bulgaria and at the Balkans in the context of world intangible heritage
- Best practice exchange for safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage, and networking with governmental and local structures, institutions and NGOs at the Balkans and in Europe
- Discussions about the possibilities for optimization of the mechanisms for identification, documenting, exploring, conservation, development, promotion and networking via formal and nonformal education and experience exchange
- Focus on the necessity of unifying the efforts and coordinating of the activities of governmental and non-governmental organizations, working in the field on intangible cultural heritage
- Structure further recommendations for coordination between governmental and non-governmental organizations for improving the efficiency of the activities for collecting, preserving and promoting the intangible cultural heritage.



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PROGRAM:

Organizer: Club UNESCO Leonardo Da Vinci Sofia

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Location: Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Sofia, 2, Alexandar Zhendov str., Antarctica Hall,

Day 1 (Thursday): 24 November 2016

13.30-14.00 Delegates’ registration

14.00-14.20 Opening - “Bistrishki babi” Folklore group

14.20-14.50 Welcome notes by the special guests and institutions

- Zhanet Borlakova – President of Club UNESCO Leonardo da Vinci Sofia
- Assoc. Prof. Ph.D. Ventsislav Veleв – Ministry of Culture
- Yoana Spasova-Dikova – Bulgarian Academy of Science
- Ph.D. Iva Stanoeva – Expert at the Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Studies with Ethnographic Museum at BAS
- Maria Donska – Secretary General of the National Commission for UNESCO - Bulgaria
- Iliyana Ruseva – Expert at the Regional Center for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage in South-Eastern Europe under auspices of UNESCO
- Tanya Mihaylova – Director of the Bulgarian Diplomatic Institute
- Assoc. Prof. Ph.D. Mariela Nankova – University of Library Studies and Information Technologies, General Secretary of BNK of ICOMOS
- Ioannis Marionitis – World Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centers and Associations
- Daniela Popescu – President of the European Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centers and Associations



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14.50-16.00 First Panel: Intangible cultural heritage – regulations, experience and achievements at National, Regional and European level – approaches of practices and coordination between institutions and NGOs in Balkans and Europe

Moderators: *Zhanet Borlakova and Raina Damiani, Ph.D.*

15.00-15.15

Topic: „The Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage – Concept, Notions and Bulgaria’s Experience“

Lecturer: *Liliya Chausheva – National Commission for UNESCO - Bulgaria*

15.15-15.30

Topic: "The Role of the Regional Centre in Sofia in Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Southeastern Europe - Experience and Perspectives"

Lecturer: *Mirena Staneva – Regional Center for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage in South-Eastern Europe under auspices of UNESCO*

15.30-15.45

Topic: "The eternal values of the Intangible Cultural Heritage as "living roots" in the system of the information environment and the media in the years of transition, 1989 - 2016"

Lecturer: *Raina Damiani, Ph.D. – Darik Radio, journalist*

15.45-16.00

Topic: „Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage in terms of sustainable design and the children’s place in the process“

Lecturer: *Ch. Ass. Prof. Ivanka Dobreva-Dragostinova, Ph.D. – New Bulgarian University*

16.00-16.15 Coffee break

16.15-17.30 Second Panel: The role of federalism, UNESCO federations, clubs and centers in collaboration between Governmental structures and NGOs in safeguarding ICH – the European know-how

Moderators: *Maria Gancheva and Ludmila Malcheva*

16.15-16.30

Topic: „The UNESCO partnerships: a global strategic priority“

Lecturer: *Daniela Popescu – President of the European Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centers and Associations*

16.30-16.45



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Topic: „The role of UNESCO Federations in safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage“

Lecturer: *Enrico Tezza – Italian Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centers and Associations*

16.45-17.00

Topic: „Morals, customs and traditions as effective means for strengthening intercultural dialogue and cooperation“

Lecturer: *Ioannis Marionitis – President of Club for UNESCO of Piraeus & Islands and Member of Executive Board of World Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centers and Associations (WFUCA) for Europe and North America*

17.00-17.15

Topic: „NNEK-UNESCO and The Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage“

Lecturer: *Eduard Geshev – President of Honor of NNEK-UNESCO*

17.15-17.30

Topic: „The annual symposium of the Romanian Federation of UNESCO Clubs, Centers and Associations „Art and civilization in Romanian monastic spaces“

Lecturer: *Mihaela Varga – General Secretary of Romanian Federation of UNESCO Associations, Clubs, and Centers*

Day 2 (Friday): 25th November 2016

09.30-11.30 First Panel: The Bulgarian experience in safeguarding the ICH in the area of oral traditions and expressions (including the language as a vehicle of ICH); artistic and performing arts; social practices, rituals and festive events; knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe, traditional craftsmanship.

Moderator: *Raina Damiani, Ph.D.*

9.30-9.45

Topic: „Moral and aesthetic role of the Cyrillic alphabet, its scientific and artistic dimensions“

Lecturer: *Hristo Hristov – University of Library Studies and Information Technologies*

9.45–10.00

Topic: „Modern Bulgarian poetry - modern Orphism: style and metatexts“

Lecturer: *Anzhela Dimcheva – Union of the Bulgarian writers, literary critic, PhD*



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10.00-10.15

Topic: „Thracian-Hellenic cultural musical heritage - experience in promoting the mission of UNESCO“

Lecturer: *Stefan Iliev – cultural expert, pedagogue*

10.15-10.30

Topic: „Presenting the initiative of ARIZ-7 "Guardian of traditions"“

Lecturer: *Penyo Ivanov – President of A.R.I.Z.-7*

10.30-10.45

Topic: „The community center - the guardian of the traditions and the support of the governmental and NGOs for the preservation of intangible cultural heritage“

Lecturer: *Maria Ivanova – NC „Petar Parchevich – 1927“, librarian, secretary, Project Manager*

10.45-11.00

Topic: „Rituals and festive events - winter custom "Surva" in Pernik“

Lecturer: *Milcho Georgiev, NC „Minyor 2005“ - Pernik*

11.00-11.15

Topic: „The role of civic society in the safeguarding of cultural heritage. The experience of the association "Meshtra - traditional skills and crafts"“

Lecturer: *Arch. Ivan Kolev – Association "Meshtra - traditional skills and crafts"“*

11.15-11.40 Coffee break

11.40-12.50 Second Panel: The Balkan experience in safeguarding the ICH in the area of oral traditions and expressions (including the language as a vehicle of ICH); artistic and performing arts; social practices, rituals and festive events; knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe, traditional craftsmanship.

Moderator: *Mirena Staneva*

11.40-11.50

Topic: „Croatian Intangible Cultural Heritage on the Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity“

Lecturer: *Ivana Kecur – Ministry of Culture of Republic of Croatia*



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11.50-12.00

Topic: „Albania, how non-material cultural heritage is preserved between two eras, socialism and the transition“

Lecturer: *Olimbi VELAJ - University of Tirana, Albania*

12.00-12.10

Topic: „Saving of intangible cultural heritage in Georgia“

Lecturer: *Marina Taktakishvili – National Agency for Cultural Heritage Preservation of Georgia*

12.10-12.20

Topic: „Horezu Ceramics inscribed on UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage Lists“

Lecturer: *Mihaela Varga – General Secretary of Romanian Federation of UNESCO Associations, Clubs, and Centers*

12.20-12.30

Topic: „The role of the Balkan peoples and the Balkan experience in presentation, study and promotion of intangible cultural heritage with the activities of UNESCO Clubs.“

„Le rôle des peuples de Balkan et de l’expérience des Balkans dans la présentation, l’étude et la promotion du patrimoine culturel immatériel de l’humanité par rapport aux activités des Clubs pour Unesco.“

Lecturer: *Milica Dromnjakovic – President Federation of UNESCO clubs of Serbia*

12.30-12.40

Topic: „Non-material cultural heritage – involvement and achievements on European, National and Regional Level – approaches of practices and coordination between institutions and NGOs in Balkans and Europe“

Lecturer: *Ljupco Smilev - National Commission for UNESCO, Ministry of culture of the Republic of Macedonia*

12.40-12.50

Topic:

Lecturer: *Nenad Katalinic - Ministry of culture of the Republic of Macedonia*

12.50-14.30 Lunch

14.00-14.40 Bulgarian UNESCO clubs and organizations meeting



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14.40-16.00 Third Panel: Discussion for optimizing the mechanisms of identification, documentation, research, preservation, protection, promotion, enhancement, transmission, particularly through formal and nonformal education, as well as the revitalization of the various aspects of such heritage

Moderator: Raina Damiani, Ph.D.

16.00-16.15 Coffee break

16.15-16.45 Adoption of declaration with recommendations for coordination improvement in the actions of Governmental structures and NGOs for enhancing the effectiveness of activities for collection, preserving and promoting the intangible cultural heritage

16.45-17.00 Closing notes & Examples of Bulgarian intangible cultural heritage – “Surva”

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