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ICOM 26th General Conference

ICMAH Annual Conference 2022, August, 22-25th, 2022

Prague, Czech Republic

Call for Papers

- **Title:**

“Rethinking the Power of Historical and Archaeological Museums”

A common vision from ICMAH and CIPEG

ICMAH and CIPEG are focusing on the delocalization of ancient collections, provenance histories, historical and current practices, social encounters, and interferences. The conference covers three main themes.

- **1st Session: *The Sustainable Future of Museums of Archaeology and History***

Date: Monday 22nd August 2022, From 16:00 to 17:30 PM **Venue:** Prague Congress Centre.

Do the societies consider history and archaeology museums as “old fashioned” institutions? Is digitalization only way to make them up to date? Obviously not! The content obtained by their collections is the real power of those museums. We will discuss about how to connect the knowledge of material evidences from the past with the contemporary issues that communities are facing such as climate change, global health, migration, and wellbeing, economic and political crises.

(Hybrid Format)

- **2nd Session: *The Power and Challenges of Historical and Archeological Museums to connect the communities.***

Date: Tuesday 23rd August 2022, From 14.30-16.00 PM **Venue:** Prague Congress Centre.

The World is changing. Nations and local communities are more concentrated on their own histories and museums as well. The past is past and material evidence of local communities is already part of “universal collections”. We will discuss how the collections belonging to different localities of the world, which are already in the “universal collections” have the potential to create cultural communication models today. Communication models that unite different societies will be presented with practices developed through joint exhibitions, educational programs, scientific events, publications and digital media use.

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- **3rd Session: *The dispersed ancient and modern African Collection & the Global Community.***

Date: Tuesday 23rd August 2022, From 16.15-17.45 PM **Venue:** Prague Congress Centre.

African collections reveal an extraordinary cultural impact, considered as the source of knowledge. Over the decades, thousands of African collections have been taken out of their homelands and displayed in museums around the world. The new national African states start to request the return of their heritage. The African collections looted during the periods of slavery, empire and colonialism are essentials for the African communities to revisit and re-engage with these important aspects of African history. This session will focus on the ancient and modern African collections by their provenance histories, their evolution on display and communication practices.

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- **Important Notice.**

For papers submission and full call for papers please visit:

<https://guarant.eu/icom2022/committee-meetings/index.php?coo=1>

- **Important Dates.**

- **Abstract submission deadline** : 31st March 2022
- **Notification of acceptance of abstracts** : 30th April 2022
- **Conference date** : 22-25th August 2022

- **Organizing Committees & Parties**

The Conference is organized by **ICOM-ICMAH** The International Committee for Museums and Collections of Archaeology and History. The session for Theme 2 & 3 shall be in cooperation with **ICOM- CIPEG** The International Committee for Egyptology.

- **Offsite Meeting**

The offsite meeting will be held on Wednesday 25th August 2022, From 09.00 -17.00 PM in National Museum, New Building (Národní muzeum, Nová budova), so please note that the offsite meeting is non hybrid, and information about the full program will be announced later.

- **Contacts & Information**

For information and queries, please contact: secretary.icmah@icom.museum

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We look forward to receive your abstract then the paper contributions and participation.

Respectfully,

ICOM-ICMAH Board