



# ICOMOS ICAHM

## International Committee on Archaeological Heritage Management

### Minutes of ICAHM Annual Business Meeting

<b>Date:</b>	2021.06.25		
<b>Time:</b>	20:00 AU, 19:00 PHI, 12:00 CET		
<b>Location:</b>	Online Zoom meeting		
<b>Present:</b>	<p><i>Bureau Elected members)</i></p> <p>John Peterson (President) [JP]  Nelly Margarita Robles García (Vice-President) [NR]  Adrian Olivier (Secretary-General) [AO]  Matt Whincop (Administrative Secretary) [MW]  Nicole Franceschini (EPWG) (SDG Working Group) [NF]</p> <p><i>Bureau Appointed members</i></p> <p>Annemarie Willems (Communications Coordinator) [AW]  [SM]  Assad Seif (Publications Coordinator) [AS]</p> <p><i>Bureau Representatives (non-voting)</i></p> <p>Andrew Mason (SDG Working Group) [AM]  Will Megarry (Climate Change &amp; Cultural Heritage WG) [WG]  Ian Travers (Water &amp; Heritage ISC) [IT]</p> <p><i>Expert Members</i></p> <p>Alessandria Chavarria  Cynthia Dunning  Margaret Gowen  Marc Kocken  Ian Lilley  Mirta Linero Baroni  Sergiu Musteata  Nida Nayci  Katsuyuki Okamura  Zahida Quadri  Elizabeth Riorden  Cees van Rooijen  Shaiful Shahidan  Sebastian Sommer  Zsolt Visy  Menno Welling</p>		

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	<p><i>Associate Members</i> Suramya Bansal Magda Minguzzi</p>
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## **AGENDA**

1. Apologies
2. President's Report
3. ICAHM Secretary-General's Report
4. ICAHM Treasurer's Report
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  2. ICAHM Publications
  3. ICAHM Illicit Trafficking Initiative
  4. ICAHM National Committees
7. Developing ICAHM Strategic Plan for the Triennium
8. Upcoming meetings  
EAA September 8-12 Kiel, Germany  
ICOMOS GA, Scientific Symposium, November 2021  
IPPA in 6-12 November 2022 in Chiang Mai, Thailand
9. Annual Meeting 2022  
Topic (World Heritage 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary)  
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10. ICOMOS Activities update
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11. Any Other Business
  1. Forthcoming forum/webinar on repatriation
  2. Establishment of Access (disability) WG
  3. Endorsement of Magda's Film

## MINUTES

### 1. Apologies

Yumiko Nakanashi	(Treasurer)
Sam Makuvaza	(ICAHM Africa Initiative Coordinator)
Sanjin Mihelić	(ICAHM National Committees Coordinator)
Tess Davis	(ICAHM Illicit Trafficking Coordinator)
Ana Yáñez	(ICAHM Illicit Trafficking Coordinator)
Elin Dalen	(Expert Member)

### 2. President's Report

The President presented a brief report of the activities of ICAHM over the past year.

### 3. Secretary-General's Report [with contributions from MW & AW]

ICAHM has 61 Associate Members, 212 Expert Members (of whom 137 are active), and 8 Institutional (Total=281 Members)

MW reported that applications for Expert and Associate membership continue at a fairly constant rate.

The new By-laws adopted by ICAHM in 2020 require that continued membership (for three-year terms) is dependent on active engagement with ICOMOS/ICAHM activities. This can be through participation in ICOMOS activities, ICAHM Working Groups, attendance at, and participation in ICAHM meetings, conferences, webinars, and other relevant activities. The Bureau will consider how to organise and log this. 75 ICAHM Members are categorised by ICOMOS as inactive/past ICOMOS Members; this group will be approached in the coming year to encourage more active engagement.

The Bureau is considering how to develop a register of members' interests and experience in order to help respond to enquiries to ICAHM for assistance and engagement about specific subjects and topics.

Emails to members are now GDPR compliant

The inadvertent and unauthorised use of an image in ICAHM publicity material has been rectified, and all instances of the image have now been removed from the ICAHM web pages. Members will be emailed to appraise them of the importance of ensuring that all images used in conjunction with ICAHM material *must* be properly authorised and credited, and *must* conform to all copyright provisions and the provisions of GDPR.

ICAHM intends to establish a small photo library of authorised images for use in future.

AW reported on the continuing development of the ICAHM Web pages and use of digital media.

AO will circulate members with a list of all the Working Group Coordinators and ICAHM Representatives and their email contact details

#### **4. ICAHM Treasurer's Report**

The Friends of ICAHM organisation has been wound up, and no longer exists

ICAHM does not currently possess any direct funds (ICOMOS holds c €500 in an ICAHM fund).

#### **5. Annual Meeting June 21-4 2021**

The President congratulated the Organising Committee of the 2021 conference on a very successful event and thanked everyone involved in the conference.

The Bureau will consider with the organising committee the best means of publishing and disseminating the material from the conference sessions. Sidestone will be considered as a possible venue for the publication of the conference presentations.

#### **6. ICAHM ACTIVITIES UPDATE**

##### **1. ICAHM AFRICA Initiative**

Cees Van Rooijen reported on behalf of Sam Makuva (Initiative Coordinator) that there has been good progress in setting up the ICAHM Africa Initiative: scoping documentation has been prepared and circulated to members and has elicited good levels of interest. A meeting of the Working Group is scheduled for 29 June 2021. The ICOMOS Africa Initiative has also restarted, and the two initiatives are complementary.

##### **2. ICAHM Publications**

AS reported on the progress of discussions with CMAS: this has been delayed pending the appointment of a new CMAS Editor but will continue when this has taken place. The intention is to have a suitable vehicle for occasional (but consistently branded) publications generated from conference proceedings, special events, and other specific policy drivers as appropriate. Discussions will continue with Archaeopress and Sidestone as well as CMAS.

##### **3. ICAHM Illicit Trafficking Initiative**

AO reported on behalf of Tess Davis and Ana Yáñez (Initiative Coordinators) that a questionnaire will be distributed to establish ICAHM members' interest and level of experience in this topic together with the steps that ICAHM can take to address any specific issues that are identified in this way. This will be used to formulate a scoping document as a starting point for the first meeting of the Working Group in September 2021. ICAHM has also coordinated with SHIELD and BLUE SHIELD on this initiative, and they could be included in this initiative, as well as policy discussions on Repatriation.

##### **4. ICAHM National Committees**

NR reported that some states now have National Archaeological Heritage Management Committees, and some are currently being set up. Each national committee will naturally focus on their own national concerns and priorities, but ICAHM needs to identify any synergies and common issues across these groups. NR and Sanjin Mihelić will coordinate and liaise with National committees on behalf of the ICAHM Bureau. To date committees have formed in Italy, Mexico, Croatia, Spain, Nigeria, and others are under discussion.

## **7. Developing the ICAHM Strategic Plan for the Triennium**

The ICAHM Bureau is now considering the formulation of its strategic plan for the triennium. In line with ICOMOS policy this will focus on Climate Change but will also reference all the other activities that ICAHM is currently undertaking.

ICAHM members will be contacted separately by MW to canvass their ideas about what should be included in the Strategic Plan.

## **8. ICAHM representation at upcoming meetings**

ICAHM will be represented at, and be contributing to:

EAA & SACC in September 2021

IPPA in November 2022

SAA in April 2022

## **9. Annual Meeting 2022 (World Heritage 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary)**

The Bureau has agreed to develop a landmark publication/conference focussed on the topic of integrity as an important contribution to the celebration of the World Heritage 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

An informal working group under the leadership of Margaret Gowen is developing these ideas and Margaret Gowen reported on progress to date. The subject of Integrity requires more attention than it has received hitherto and ICAHM is very well positioned to make a substantial contribution to discussion of this topic, and ultimately to World Heritage doctrine.

The relationship to ongoing work by ICOMOS on Authenticity was discussed. It was agreed that it would be important to articulate the interconnection between Integrity and Authenticity but that the ICAHM contribution to the debate would need to focus particularly on Integrity.

ICAHM's contribution could take multiple forms – eg set-piece debates, guidance for site managers, a keynote conference, case studies, and a major publication. Initiating planning for a major publication would provide a good structural framework and starting point for other potential outputs. Organisation of a major conference would require significant planning; an ICAHM conference on integrity could possibly be associated with the forthcoming ICOMOS 2022 General Assembly.

There is a great deal of activity across the sector related to the World Heritage 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and it will be essential to fix dates for any events at an early opportunity to avoid overlaps.

## **10. ICOMOS Activities Update**

### **1. Water & Heritage ISC**

IT (President of the new ISC) reported on progress in setting up the Scientific Committee which is awaiting final (formal) approval from the ICOMOS Board to come into being. The fundamental purpose of the ISC is to enable management of water as a cultural heritage issue. The ISC will participate in the World Water Forum in March 2022 in Dakar.

## **2. Climate Change & Cultural Heritage Working Group**

WM reported on the current activities of the Working Group. The Working Group is now embedded in the work of the whole ICOMOS community including the National Committees, the Scientific Committees, and other working groups. A new Working Group Coordinator will be appointed shortly.

## **3. EP Working Group**

NF reported on the current activities of the Working Group and stressed the need to develop visible mechanisms to engage actively younger professionals – this connects to issues related to membership of some ICOMOS National Committees. NF highlighted the need for mentorship opportunities and apprenticeships (on the US ICOMOS model). These issues could figure strongly in the ICAHM Strategic Plan

## **4. SDG Working Group**

ICAHM is strongly engaged with the Working Group through the work of AM, NF and Gabe Caballero but this needs to extend to ICAHM members at large. NF and AM will circulate members with a more detailed report and asking for expressions of interest in engaging with this work.

## **5. Nature & Culture**

The ICOMOS Culture Nature Journey has been developed since 2017 at the annual General Assemblies but also with some ISCs. ICAHM can potentially make a strong contribution to this initiative in cooperation with the Cultural Landscapes ISC through the cross-cutting connections between a people-centred approach to landscapes and archaeological sites. The Panorama Program would be a good vehicle for collaborative engagement. It would be useful to build an ICAHM Working Group to help take this forward. ICAHM members will be canvassed separately for expressions of interest.

The ICAHM representatives in these various activities (IT, WM, NF, AM) will produce a more detailed briefing on each subject that AO will circulate to members separately

## **11. Any Other Business**

1. NR reported on a request for ICAHM to sponsor a forthcoming forum focussing on repatriation, return, restitution, reparation: *Diversity of Strategies in the Scientific, Political and Cultural Realms of Cultural Heritage in Latin America*. This was agreed.
2. Arising out of one of the conference themes, Cynthia Dunning suggested that there is a strong case for ICAHM to establish a Working Group on the subject of Disabilities and Access. This was agreed – CD would produce a briefing asking for expressions of interest in such a working group to be circulated to members.
3. ICAHM has agreed to endorse a film/documentary about indigenous heritage places in the Eastern Cape Province South Africa which was the product of a project conducted by Magda Minguzzi that was presented at the conference.