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**IRCICA & ISESCO
International Conference on Protecting
the Cultural Heritage of the Muslim World**

Conference date: November 1-2,2017

Conference venue: .

IRCICA and /SESCO are set to organize the International conference on prc cultural heritage of the Muslim world in Istanbul, Turkey, November 1-2, 20 aiming to exchange information, experiences and knowledge and to focus on following themes:

- *National policies and international instruments to protect and promc Islamic cultural heritage: best practice, assessment of outcomes, ways improvement and enhancement*
- *Education for heritage*
- *Role of museums in preservation of heritage*
- *Preservation of intangible heritage*
- *Managing of heritage preservation and development: Modalities of preparation of the strategy to protect and promote cultural heritage in Muslim World and its implementation mechanism*
- *Heritage in Muslim countries in advanced stage of conflicts*
- *Rebuilding heritage of Iraq and Syria*

The Conference should be concluded by "The Istanbul declaration on Protecting the Cult Heritage of the Muslim World" adopted by participants.

KEY DAYS:

- ❖ **March 29, 2017** *Announcement of conference*
- ❖ **May 31, 2017** *Deadline for abstract submission*
- ❖ **July 05, 2017** *Notification of abstracts acceptance*
- ❖ **August 16, 2017** *Deadline for full-length papers*
- ❖ **September 15, 2017** *Response on for full-length papers*
- ❖ **October 6, 2017** *Deadline for full-length papers*
- ❖ **November 1-2, 2017** *Conference*

Abstracts should be sent toislamicheritage@ircica.org

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DAY ONE: Wednesday November 01, 2017

10:00 OPENING SESSION - WELCOMING SPEECHES

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11:00 PANEL WITH INVITED KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

12:45 Lunch break

14:00 SESSION ONE: *Four speakers' presentations following with discussion*

16:00 Break

16:30 SESSION TWO:

21:00 Dinner

DAY TWO: Thursday November 02, 2017

10:00 SESSION THREE (PARALLEL)

12:45 Lunch break

14:00 SESSIONS FOUR (PARALLEL)

16:00 Tea break

16:30 SESSION FIVE: Managing of heritage preservation and development:

- Modalities of preparation of the strategy to protect and promote cultural heritage in the Muslim World and its implementation mechanism

18:30 Break

19:00 CLOSING SESSION

"ISTANBUL DECLARATION ON PROTECTING THE CULTURAL HERITAGE OF THE MUSLIM WORLD"

20:30 Dinner

Notes:

- Each OIC country will be invited to contribute to the conference.
- Countries which are relatively at peace have to be sensitized for the relative impact. Conference should create consciousness and must be as much inclusive as possible.
- Best practices, case studies and examples are important to implement on the Islamic world and they must be promoted to re-kind the hope amongst people and effort of how to develop a strategy to coordinate OIC member countries and then how to work with international bodies in coordination in order to protect and have sustainability of Islamic cultural heritage.
- Cultural heritage is tangible and intangible which are both necessary for the sustainability therefore must be discussed in different aspects throughout the Conference.
- Conference Secretariat will be organized by IRCICA,
- In each session a moderator will be allowed to present his/her paper for 20 minutes; other speakers for 15 minutes, and after the stage will be open for discussion in the session,
- The conference is planned for two days but can be extended for one more day relative to the number of quality papers,
- The number of sessions may be raised with the new topics, if proposed, in the pre-conference process,
- The Conference will be multilingual in three-two of OIC languages (Arabic, English and Urdu). Abstract should come in English and Arabic, full paper may come from all three of these two languages.
- Simultaneous translation is necessary and dependent on the funding-Arabic - English and Urdu
- Parallel sessions may be introduced, e.g. session: "Heritage in Muslim countries in advanced stage of conflicts", to discuss separately important cases such as Kashmir, Yemen, Libya, Syria etc.
- Podium discussions are encouraged and will be organized as side events, like evening sessions.
- For best practices and examples, there may be a hall for documentaries and video presentation, under side events, All accepted papers will be published in the Conference book.
- Evaluation and selection of the applications will be done by two members of the Scientific Committee,
- The Conference secretariat, in cooperation with the Scientific Committee will define main topics for the conference especially on the sustainability of Islamic heritage. they will produce a road map, especially for aftermath activities of conflict areas.
- Every participant should arrange his flight ticket by his own.
- ISESCO, and IRCICA, will cover the local transportation and the accommodation including breakfast and lunch for all participants.
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