



**Sub-Regional Meeting for the Promotion and Implementation of
Conventions for the Safeguarding of Cultural Heritage
In Central Asia**

**Dushanbe, Tajikistan
19-20 January 2007**

Background Description

Convention on the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict with Regulations for the Execution of the Convention, The Hague, 14 May 1954

(1st Protocol, 14 May 1954, 2nd Protocol, 26 March 1999)

Kazakhstan 14/03/1997 Notification of succession

Kyrgyzstan 03/07/1995 Accession

Tajikistan 28/08/1992 Notification of succession

Uzbekistan 21/02/1996 Accession

Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property, Paris, 14 November 1970

Kyrgyzstan 03/07/1995 Acceptance

Tajikistan 28/08/1992 Ratification

Uzbekistan 15/03/1996 Ratification

UNIDROIT Convention on Stolen or Illegally Exported Cultural Objects, Rome, 24 June 1995

None of the participating countries has yet ratified, accepted, adhered or succeeded

Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage, Paris, 16 November 1972

Kazakhstan 29/4/1994 Acceptance

Kyrgyzstan 3/7/1995 Acceptance

Tajikistan 28/8/1992 Notification of succession

Uzbekistan 13/1/1993 Notification of succession

Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage, Paris, 2003

Kyrgyzstan 11/2006 Acceptance

Objectives

- (i) Promote the ratification and improve the implementation of the 1954 Convention and its two protocols, the 1970 UNESCO Convention, as well as the 1995 UNIDROIT Convention at national level;
- (ii) Promote the ratification of the 2003 Convention, and discuss the results of the First Intergovernmental Committee Meeting held in Algiers in November 2006;
- (iii) Discuss links between the 1972 and 2003 Conventions and the Silk Roads Serial Nomination process.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Thursday 18 January

Arrival of participants, accommodation

FRIDAY 19 JANUARY

OPENING SESSION

- 09:00-09:30 Registration of the workshop participants
- 09:30-10:00 Opening of the workshop
Mrs Munzifakhon Mirzoevna Babadjanova, Secretary-General, National Commission of Tajikistan for UNESCO
Mr Guido Carducci, UNESCO, Chief, International Standards Section
Mr Francois Langlois, UNESCO Almaty Cluster Office

SESSION I The 1954 Hague UNESCO Convention and its 2 Protocols

- 10:00-10:30 Presentation of the 1954 Convention and its protocols
Mr Guido Carducci, UNESCO, Chief, International Standards Section
- 10:30-11:30 National Reports on the status of the implementation of the 1954 Convention and its protocols
Experts of the participating countries
- 11:30-11:40 *Coffee Break*
- 11:40-13:00 Round Table: How to improve the protection of cultural property in armed conflicts: The ratification and/or better implementation of the 1954 Convention and its two protocols
Experts of the participating countries and UNESCO representatives
- 13:00-14:00 *Lunch*

SESSION II The 1970 UNESCO and the 1995 UNIDROIT Conventions

- 14:00-15:00 Presentation of the 1970 and 1995 Conventions and related tools (the Object ID, the UNESCO-WCO Export Certificate, the Heritage Legislation Database and the recent Handbook)
Mr Guido Carducci, UNESCO, Chief, International Standards Section
- 15:00 -15:15 *Coffee Break*
- 15:15-16:30 National Reports on the fight against illicit trafficking, national measures for the implementation of the 1970 Convention and progress of ratification of the 1970 and 1995 Conventions
Experts of the respective participating countries
- 16:30 – 18:00 Round Table: How to improve the prevention of the illicit traffic of cultural property: the ratification and/or better implementation of the 1970 and 1995 Conventions
Experts of the participating countries and UNESCO representatives

SATURDAY 20 JANUARY

SESSION III The Silk Roads Serial Nomination in the context of the 1972 and 2003 Conventions

- 09:00-10:00 Presentation of the specificities and interactions between the 1972 and 2003 Conventions
Mr Guido Carducci, UNESCO, Chief, International Standards Section
- 10:00-11:30 Round table: the Silk Roads Serial Nomination process in the framework of the 1972 and 2003 Conventions
Experts of the participating countries and UNESCO representatives
- 11:30-11:45 *Coffee Break*

SESSION IV Presentation, Ratification and Implementation of the 2003 UNESCO Convention for the Protection of Intangible Heritage

- 11:45-12:45 Presentation of the 2003 Convention and information on the first meeting of its Intergovernmental Committee, Algiers, 18 and 19 November 2006
Mr Guido Carducci, UNESCO, Chief, International Standards Section
Mr Francois Langlois, UNESCO Almaty Cluster Office
- 12:45-14:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00-15:00 Round table: the ratification of the Convention
Experts of the participating countries and UNESCO representatives
- 15:00-15:15 *Coffee Break*
- 15:15-16:00 Adoption of recommendations and closing remarks

SUNDAY 21 JANUARY

Departure of participants