



## TRAINING TO FIGHT ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF SYRIAN CULTURAL PROPERTIES



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## **Monday, 10 November 2014**

**09:00 – 09:30**

**Hamed Alhamami**, *Director, UNESCO Beirut Office*

Welcome Introduction

**09:30 – 10:00**

**Cristina Menegazzi**, *UNESCO Project Officer, Emergency Safeguarding of the Syrian Cultural Heritage*

Presentation of the Emergency Safeguarding of the Syrian Cultural Heritage project and updating of the activities

**10:00 – 13:00 MODULE I: INTERNATIONAL LEGISLATION**

Cultural heritage: definition and protection

**Edouard Planche**

UNESCO Conventions: the 1954 Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict and its two (1954 and 1999) Protocols and the 1970 Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property

**Marina Schneider**

UNIDROIT Convention on Stolen or Illegally Exported Cultural Objects

**14:00 – 16:00 MODULE I: INTERNATIONAL LEGISLATION**

**Roberto Rossi**

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (UNTOC)

Details on the judicial and extrajudicial proceedings aimed at recovering and repatriating stolen and illicitly exported cultural objects

**Edouard Planche**

**Roberto Rossi**

**Marina Schneider**

Issues related to due diligence, compensation, administrative and penal sanctions

**Edouard Planche**

**Marina Schneider**

Guidelines and exercises on modalities of ratification of an international instrument and of conclusion of bilateral agreements

## **Tuesday, 11 November 2014**

### **09:00 – 13:00 MODULE II: NATIONAL LEGISLATION**

**Najeh Khaled Abu-Hamdan**

**Mural Kartal**

**Ayman Suleiman**

Evaluation with participants of the national systems of protection of cultural heritage, fight against illicit trafficking and restitution: circulation of information between ministries, parliament and local services, cooperation with regional and international partners (UNESCO Field Offices, INTERPOL National Bureaus, WCO Regional Intelligence Liaison Offices, ICOM National Committees etc.)

**Edouard Planche**

**Marina Schneider**

Assessment and, if relevant, revision, completion and enhancement of national rules and regulations

### **14:00 – 15:00 MODULE II: NATIONAL LEGISLATION**

**Marina Schneider**

Presentation of UNESCO – UNIDROIT Model Provisions on State Ownership of Undiscovered Cultural Heritage

**Edouard Planche**

Presentation of UNESCO's Cultural Heritage Laws database

**Edouard Planche**

**Marina Schneider**

Analysis and debate on best practices concerning legal protection of cultural heritage

### **15:00 – 16:00 EXTRA MODULE**

**Marc-André Haldimann**

Emergency inventory modalities and practical experience on the field

## **Wednesday, 12 November 2014**

### **09:00 – 13:00 MODULE III: MODALITIES OF RETURN AND RESTITUTION**

#### **Edouard Planche**

Role of UNESCO's Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Countries of Origin or its Restitution in case of Illicit Appropriation. Practical exercises based on real and virtual restitution cases with detailed analysis. New UNESCO Rules of procedure on Mediation and Conciliation

### **14:00 – 15:00 MODULE III: MODALITIES OF RETURN AND RESTITUTION**

#### **Edouard Planche**

Presentation of UNESCO's draft database on successful cases of return and restitution of cultural property; discussion on alternative means of dispute resolution in relation with the restitution of cultural objects

### **15:00 – 16:00 EXTRA MODULE**

ICOM tools and measures to fight the illicit traffic: ICOM Code of Ethics for Museums, ICOM Red Lists and ICOM Observatory

## **Thursday, 13 November 2014**

### **09:00 – 11:00 MODULE IV: THE USE OF OPERATIONAL TOOLS**

#### **Laurent Pinot**

UNESCO-WCO Model Export Certificate

#### **Fabrizio Panone**

UNESCO-INTERPOL Measures to fight the illicit traffic on Internet

UNESCO International Code of Ethics for Dealers in Cultural Property

### **11:00 – 12:00 MODULE IV: THE USE OF OPERATIONAL TOOLS**

Practical exercises in working groups: Object ID Standard Form for the basic inventory of cultural objects

### **12:00 – 13:00 MODULE IV: THE USE OF OPERATIONAL TOOLS**

#### **Fabrizio Panone**

#### **Laurent Pinot**

Police and customs role in the fight against illicit trafficking. The international routes of illegal trafficking of art objects; the transportation and concealment of illegally exported cultural goods; prevention and intervention in protected archaeological areas – identification of the

levels of risks in national and regional sites and realistic recommendations to improve measures for their protection; sampling, treatment and custody of archaeological finds

**14:00 – 16:00 MODULE IV: THE USE OF OPERATIONAL TOOLS**

**Fabrizio Panone**

**Laurent Pinot**

Operations in customs areas; investigation tactics and difficulties against crime affecting the cultural heritage

**Friday 14 November 2014**

**09:00 – 11:30 EXTRA MODULE**

**Mehmet Balci**

Geneva Call methods, tools and measures to fight the illicit traffic

**11:30 – 13:00 EVALUATION OF THE TRAINING**

**Cristina Menegazzi**

**14:00 – 16:00 FOLLOW UP ACTIONS ON THE FIELDS**

**Cristina Menegazzi**

Proposals/suggestions for activities on illicit traffic for project year 2 and 3