

Call for applications

Master Class on Integrative Security, Emergency and Disaster Management in Museums

10 – 11 November 2020 in Athens, Greece.

Two-day Master Class for emerging museum professionals in conjunction with the joint ICOM Germany, ICOM Greece & ICOM Cyprus Conference “Museums facing a Planetary Emergency”, 12 – 14 November 2020.

Working towards a sustainable approach in planning and organising management in times of crisis in museums needs a joint effort. This requires capacity building, both knowledge and resources, on how to respond to such crises. Essential here is to develop good leadership through training by sharing the required knowledge of experienced professionals with emerging professionals.

The two-day training event will draw on such experts and their experience in crisis management. Experts attending and contributing to the «Museums facing a Planetary Emergency» conference will contribute as instructors to the Master Class. Participants of the Master Class are encouraged to attend the conference.

The training event will build on the insights gained by various ICOM committees such as ICOM’s Disaster Risk Management Committee as well as previous training and awareness initiatives such as those developed by ICOM during the past decades. Teaching language is English.

Topics that will be covered will include safety and security concepts, measures under extraordinary conditions, protection of cultural property, mass casualty incidents (MCI), acting together, training of museum staff, strategies and methods of communication with the public. Practical exercises include planning of crisis events, evacuation measures and public relations.

The Master Class is aimed at emerging museum professionals from all countries. Applicants should have at least three years of relevant museum experience and should be below the age of 40. Applicants will be selected based on the relevance of the Master Class for their role in museums, with a special emphasis on future leadership in the museum sector. Participants are expected to act as multipliers by facilitating future knowledge-sharing events.

The Master Class is limited to 20 participants. For each participant a travel stipend of 250 Euro can be allocated.

Applicants must send the following information, in one email, to conference@icom-deutschland.de,
Subject: Master Class

- A brief one-page CV, which includes information about your personal background and professional training and career, and an e-mail address for further contact.
- A short statement of purpose (350-400 words) detailing the reasons for wishing to attend the Master Class. This should include your expectations but also how you plan to contribute to the Master Class and aim to act as a future multiplier and leader.
- A letter of recommendation by a supervisor, line-manager or director, referring to the application.

Please note that incomplete applications cannot be considered.

Deadline for applications is **30 June 2020**

Applicants will be notified about the outcome of their application by 31 August 2020.

The Master Class is co-sponsored by ICOM, ICOM Germany and ICOM Greece.