

Summary of Decisions taken during the 68th Session of the Advisory Committee (May 29-31, 2006, Paris, France)

The Advisory Committee, at its 68th session, decided to:

- Adopt the 68th Advisory Committee Agenda with amendments proposed by members.
- Adopt the Minutes of the 67th Session of the Advisory Committee of 6-8 June 2005, with proposed amendments.
- Approve the 2005 Audited Statement at December 31, 2005.
- Approve the 2006 budget.

In relation to the 2007 nominations for Executive Council elections, the Advisory Committee:

- Approved the Nominations Committee report.
- Endorsed the list of candidates as submitted.

The Advisory Committee, furthermore,

- Approved the Report by the Secretary General.
- Approved the request to continue the redrafting process of the draft Statutes.
- Requested that the Executive Council finance an updated data base as a priority.
- Requested that ICOM investigate means to encourage membership affiliation to International Committees.

The Advisory Council, furthermore, made the following recommendations:

- Recommended to the Executive Council that it seek ways to make dotMuseum more accessible to membership.
- Recommended to the Executive Council that financial difficulties faced by some national committees, particularly in Africa, be addressed as a matter of urgency.

- Recommended to the Executive Council that Shanghai be the venue for the 2010 ICOM General Conference.
- Recommended that ICOM investigate possibilities of financial assistance to Regional organizations.
- Recommended to the Executive Council that the membership fee policy for 2007 be revised to address concerns raised by National Committees and its members.

On other matters, the Advisory Committee:

- Endorsed the recommendation of AVICOM Chair Marie-Françoise Delval to declare Gabriel Clark and Thomas Marcusson of the University of Technology, in Sydney), Christian Hudon and Jasmin Morin (of Idéeclic, Gatineau Québec), and Dr. Janos Tari (of the Museum of Ethnography, of Budapest, Hungary) ex-aequo winners of the ICOM Institutional Video Clip competition.
- Expressed the Committee's appreciation to Marie-Françoise Delval for the ICOM Institutional Video Clip competition.
- Encourages each country in ICOM-Europe to sponsor the attendance of at least one developing country at the Vienna conference.

In relation to future meetings, the Advisory Committee agreed to the following calendar:

- 69th Advisory Committee: Friday 17 August 2007 in Vienna (Austria).
- 70th Advisory Committee: Friday 24 August 2007 in Vienna (Austria).
- 71st Advisory Committee: 2-4 June 2008 in Paris (France).