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Nine new items inscribed to the MOWCAP Regional Register at the MOWCAP General Meeting held in Andong, Republic of Korea on 24-26 November 2022. Images courtesy of items owners.

Message from the Chair

MR KWIBAE KIM

Dear MOWCAP members,

I am thrilled to announce that the Regional Register for the 2024 cycle of MOWCAP is now open! As we continue our efforts to preserve and promote the region's documentary heritage, I am confident that this new cycle will bring fresh opportunities and accomplishments.

I would also like to take this opportunity to share that the MOWCAP NEWS format has been renewed to better serve our members and partners. We are committed to providing timely updates on the latest developments and initiatives related to documentary heritage preservation.

Furthermore, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new members, including our esteemed Secretary-General. We are grateful for their valuable contributions and look forward to their insights and leadership as we work together towards our shared goals.

Lastly, I would like to offer my heartfelt congratulations to all of our members for their resilience and perseverance in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. Your dedication and hard work have been an inspiration to us all, and I am confident that we will emerge from this crisis even stronger and more united.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to MOWCAP's mission. I look forward to working together towards a brighter future for our invaluable documentary heritage.

Cycle for 2024 MOWCAP Regional Register now open!

MOWCAP is pleased to announce that it is now accepting nominations to the MOWCAP Regional Register for the 2024 cycle.

Deadline for submission is 15 September 2023.

MOWCAP especially encourages nominations that relate to Gender, Indigenous communities and minority or other marginalised groups.

For more information, visit the MOWCAP website.

KEY NOMINATION RESOURCES

READ
Revised MOWCAP Register Guidelines

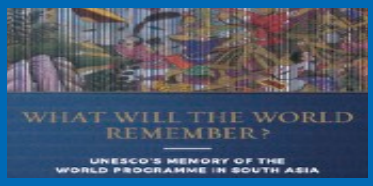
DOWNLOAD
Nomination Form

VIEW
MOWCAP Register Processes

VIEW
Tips & Practical Advice

NEW PUBLICATIONS

International Centre for Documentary Heritage 2022
30th Anniversary of the Memory of the World Programme: Incorporating the World Day for Audiovisual Heritage



UNESCO New Delhi 2022
What Will the World Remember? UNESCO's Memory of the World Programme in South Asia

UNESCO 2022
Preservation of Documentary Heritage through Policy Development and Capacity-Building: Final Project Report

Google Arts and Culture 2022
UNESCO Memory of the World

Iranian National Committee for the Memory of the World 2022
Website launch: https://mow.irunesco.org/

UNESCO Bangkok 2021
Let's Explore the Memory of the World (children's book)

THANK YOU
Andrew Henderson and Roslyn Russell

Andrew Henderson stepped down from his position as Secretary-General of MOWCAP in September 2022. In addition to his efficient steering of MOWCAP as an organization, he made a significant impact on the region by leading the Asia Culture Center-MOWCAP Grants Programme, which has delivered concrete results in memory institutions across Asia and the Pacific.

Roslyn Russel (left) with MOWCAP friends Vu Thi Minh Huong and Helen Jarvis

Roslyn Russell has recently stepped down from her role as Chair of the Australian Memory of the World Committee, which she co-founded in 2000 and has been chairing since 2013. She spearheaded the Australian Memory of the World Committee and has been participating in workshops across Asia and the Pacific as an expert to promote and build capacity in documentary heritage since 2007.

Nine new items inscribed to MOWCAP Regional Register

During the 9th Memory of the World Committee for Asia and the Pacific (MOWCAP) General Meeting, held in Andong, Republic of Korea, from 24 to 26 November 2022, nine new items were inscribed to the MOWCAP Regional Register.

This year's nine successful inscriptions among other themes celebrated gender diversity, indigeneity, and communities. A collection from China highlights indigenous language characters; another from the Republic of Korea documents a grassroots movement of national solidarity, including the mobilisation of women, in response to a disaster; and an archive from Indonesia documents a rehabilitation centre for persons with disabilities demonstrates with both regional and global impact. An additional 2022 inscription from China documents the development of a business enterprise with early records of corporate social responsibility activities.

The nine new items raise the total current number of Memory of the World inscriptions to 65.

This article was first published on 13 December 2022 on the UNESCO Bangkok website.

MOWCAP General Meeting held and Secretariat inaugurated in Andong, Republic of Korea

The MOWCAP General Meeting was held on 24-26 November 2022, hosted by the Korean Studies Institute (KSI), in Andong, Republic of Korea. The hybrid meeting gathered 109 participants, including six MOWCAP Bureau members, 20 Member States, three UNESCO representatives and 80 observers from various institutions across the region.

Latest updates in national documentary heritage activities were shared, as well as the MOWCAP Register Sub-Committee's recommendations and Member State comments on the 2022 cycle of nominations to the MOWCAP Regional Register.

MOWCAP General Meeting participants visit the Dosan Seowon Confucian Academy, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, on 24 November 2022 as part of the site activities hosted by the City of Andong, Republic of Korea.

In conjunction with the MOWCAP General Meeting, the MOWCAP Secretariat Office was inaugurated as part of the MOWCAP General Meeting's opening ceremony.

The inauguration follows the recent Memorandum of Understanding signed between KSI and the MOWCAP Secretariat. The Secretariat was previously hosted by the Asia Culture Center in Gwangju, Republic of Korea.

MOWCAP Chair Mr Kwibae Kim, KSI President Dr Jong-sup Chong and officials from the City of Andong presided over the inauguration ceremony, which was attended by participants from the 2022 MOWCAP General Meeting.

MOWCAP General Meeting participants help to inaugurate the MOWCAP Secretariat Office during the ceremony held on 24 November 2022 at the Korean Studies Institute in Andong, Republic of Korea.

Cambodia National MoW Committee holds workshop on national MoW register development

On 30 November 2022, the National Memory of the World Committee of Cambodia (MOWCAM), in collaboration with UNESCO Bangkok, organized the workshop "Dissemination of

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Documentary Heritage Listed in the Memory of the World and Celebration of the 30th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Memory of the World Programme".

MOWCAP's Secretary-General Ms Linh Anh Moreau shared regional examples of documentary heritage and tips for identification, and Register Sub-Committee Chair Dr Helen Jarvis provided information on the MOWCAP Regional Register nomination processes.

The workshop's 68 participants from memory institutions and provincial authorities learned of successful Cambodian inscriptions to the Memory of the World registers, the Tuol Sleng Genocide Museum Archives, Panji Tales Manuscripts and the Recordings of the Reamker epic by Takrut from the nominators themselves.

Workshop activities also included group discussions during which participants shared 14 potential items for inscription to Cambodia's Memory of the World national register, including colonial records and news media documents.

Participants discuss potentials items for Cambodia's Memory of the World national register during the workshop held on 30 November 2022 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. Picture: Cambodia National Commission for UNESCO.

MOWCAP and ARCMOW kickstart Asia/Pacific and Africa collaboration

To further enhance inter-regional collaboration and promote common documentary heritage across Asia and Africa, the "Inter-regional Dialogue: Sharing Good Practices in Documentary Heritage between Asia and Africa" was launched on 26 July by UNESCO Bangkok and Nairobi Regional Offices in cooperation with MOWCAP and Africa Regional Committee for the Memory of the World (ARCMOW).

The inter-regional dialogue between Asia-Pacific and Africa gathered 49 participants, comprising representatives from National MoW committees, National Commissions for UNESCO, and UNESCO Field Offices in Asia and Africa. Good practices in managing a regional Memory of the World committee and a regional register were shared, as well as areas for collaboration.

For more information on this activity, please visit the UNESCO website.

Training held on water-based damage to documentary heritage for Southeast Asian practitioners

On 7 December 2022, UNESCO Bangkok collaborated with the National Archives of Japan and MOWCAP, with the support of the Japanese Funds-in-Trust, on delivering online training to 26 participants from Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam and Egypt on response and recovery methods to paper documentary heritage affected by water damage, delivered by experts from Japanese memory institutions.

During the online training, MOWCAP Vice-Chair Prof. Dr Mitsuru Haga and MOWCAP Register Sub-Committee Chair Dr Helen Jarvis shared information on the Memory of the World programme in Asia and the Pacific, and encouraged participants to submit nominations to the MOWCAP Regional Register 2024 Cycle.