

From the Chair

During the last six months MOWCAP has contributed to many projects and activities to support the identification, preservation and access to documentary heritage. This newsletter summarises the events that have already been reported on the MOWCAP website and on our Facebook page.

I am very pleased that the first symposium on implementing the UNESCO Recommendation on documentary heritage was held in the MOWCAP region. The establishment of the MOWCAP Centre in Gwangju, Republic of Korea, will also have a very positive impact on our region's documentary heritage.

Mr. Li Minghua (MOWCAP chair)

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Nominations for Inscription Close 31 August

All the information that you need to submit a nomination can be [found here](#)

We expect to announce the successful nominations in 2018, after the MOWCAP General Meeting.

First Symposium on the Implementation of the UNESCO Recommendation

A five-point UNESCO-ASEAN Member States Action Plan emerged from the ASEAN-UNESCO+3 Consultation on the UNESCO Recommendation on Documentary Heritage (09-11 May 2017, Kuala Lumpur).

The plan identifies concrete actions that can be taken to ensure identification, preservation and access to documentary heritage. It includes policy measures and opportunities for international cooperation. The Action Plan was adopted by delegates from 10 ASEAN Member States and Timor-Leste.

The project is supported by UNESCO and the government of Malaysia.

MOWCAP Bureau

The MOWCAP Bureau will meet in Tokyo, Japan from 19-21 July. The meeting is jointly organized by MOWCAP and the Japanese National Commission for UNESCO.



Participants at the audiovisual workshop in Singapore

In June UNESCO and the Asian Film Archive cooperated to hold a two-day workshop to explore how the Memory of the World Programme can help protect and preserve Southeast Asia's precious audiovisual heritage.

Twelve participants from ten Southeast Asian countries attended the workshop. The aim was to identify potential nominations of audiovisual heritage for nomination to registers and to assist in the inscription process. The workshop was generously supported by the National Library Board, Singapore..

Australian Register Book

The Australian Register book is now available in e-book form on the Australian Memory of the World website and on iTunes. [Click here](#) to access a copy.

Review of the Memory of the World

Programme

A working group is making good progress on reviewing the MoW Guidelines that set the framework for the MoW Programme. A paper has also been prepared for the Director-General which recommends some revision to the international statutes and identifies ways of building on the success of MoW.

Establishment of the MOWCAP Centre in Gwangju, Republic of Korea

The MOWCAP Bureau and the Asia Culture Center have approved a plan to guide the work of the MOWCAP Centre. The plan includes the employment of a staff member, the funding of a UNESCO Recommendation workshop in the Pacific, support for the MOWCAP website, a MoW Human Rights Archives Seminar and Exhibition, support for testing AtoM software for use in the Pacific and South East Asia and goodwill missions.

National Workshop Held in Yangon

In May, UNESCO working closely with the Myanmar National Commission for UNESCO, held a national level training workshop.

The workshop focused on increasing participants' knowledge of and skills related to the MoW programme. This included developing nominations to MoW registers and identifying how the programme can bolster efforts to safeguard Myanmar's documentary heritage through the establishment of a Memory of the World National Committee.



Participants at the workshop in Yangon

Successful MoW Exhibition in Canberra

An exhibition, Memory of the World in Canberra, was held at the Canberra Museum and Gallery from 12 November 2016 to 19 March 2017.

Memory of the World in Canberra showcased the documents inscribed on the UNESCO Australian Memory of the World Register held in Canberra institutions, including two items that are also on the Memory of the World International Register – Captain James Cook's Endeavour Journal and the Mabo Case Manuscripts – and two that are on the MOWCAP Register, the FE Williams Collection of photos of Papua and the Landmark Constitutional Documents of the Commonwealth of Australia.



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