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# ACC MOWCAP COOPERATION

# ACC | Asia Culture Center

Asia Culture Center (ACC) is an international arts and cultural exchange organisation that produces new, future-oriented results through the convergence of Asia's past and present arts and culture with innovative ideas and beliefs. Having the context of artistically sublimating the significance of the May 18th Democratic Movement, ACC was established for the advancement of mutual understanding and cooperative growth with Asian nations by carrying out cultural exchanges, research, creating, and education. ACC is engaged in a wide variety of activities, and:

- works with organisations, institutions, and individuals to promote the understanding of the histories and cultures of Asian nations ;
- supports creative activities by providing access to research and collections on Asian cultures and arts ;
- supports the creative activities of all citizens, as well as those of scholars, artists, researchers, and technicians across the world ;
- distributes the products created through such activities inside and outside of Korea, including exhibitions, performances, educational programmes, festivals and events ;
- archives the knowledge and information on Asian cultures and arts newly acquired in the process.



# MOWCAP

| UNESCO Memory of the World Committee for Asia and the Pacific



The Asia-Pacific region is home to rich and diverse documentary heritage, from palm leaf manuscripts, stone inscriptions, wood blocks, photographs to film and much more. This heritage reflects the wealth and diversity of cultures large and small, past and present, and carries values and knowledge that are essential for understanding the past and shaping the future.

The UNESCO Memory of the World Committee for Asia and the Pacific (MOWCAP), established in 1998, aims to assist with preservation of and universal access to the documentary heritage of the Asia-Pacific region. MOWCAP aims to support museums, archives, libraries, and private collections in the region through training, guidelines, publications, sharing information and by creating a network of experts.

# Seminars and Conferences <sup>+</sup>

The International Seminar on Human Rights Archives: Agents of Accountability and Justice was held at Asia Culture Center, Gwangju City, Republic of Korea, in September 2017. One hundred people joined from countries from across the Asia-Pacific.



The 2nd Inter-regional Conference for the Memory of the World (MoW): Preserving & Providing Access to Digital Heritage was held from the 5-8 November, 2019, in Gwangju and Daegu, Republic of Korea.



# Small Grants Programme<sup>+</sup>

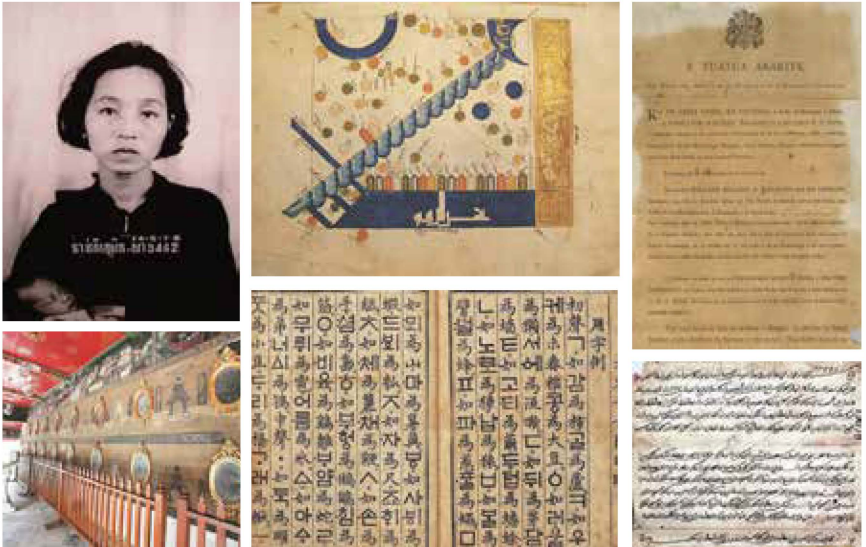
The ACC-MOWCAP Small Grants Programme aims to support archives, museums and libraries to preserve and provide access to their collections, by supporting important and innovative projects and initiatives. The grants programmes began in 2018 and so far has supported 20 projects from 18 countries.



# Archives and Exhibitions<sup>+</sup>

The exhibition 'Memory of the World: 20 years of MOWCAP: Documentary Heritage in the Asia-Pacific' was held at ACC from 31 May 2018 to 30 June 2018.

A digital archive highlighting the documentary heritage from the Asia-Pacific region on the International and Regional Memory of the World Registers was created: [www.mowcaparchives.org](http://www.mowcaparchives.org)



# General Meetings<sup>+</sup>

The 8th MOWCAP General Meeting, held in May 2018 at ACC, and was attended by 27 countries : Afghanistan, Australia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, India, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, Kazakhstan, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, New Zealand, Pakistan, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tuvalu, Uzbekistan, and Vietnam.

# ACC-MOWCAP Cooperation Activities<sup>+</sup>

In the December 2015 MOWCAP and ACC began a cooperation partnership to support the archives, museums, libraries of the Asia-Pacific region to preserve and share their documentary heritage collections. One of the first steps in this cooperation was the establishment of the MOWCAP Office at ACC. Since then a number of projects and activities have been completed, bringing together the knowledge and expertise of both ACC and MOWCAP.

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2019. 11.	2019 2nd MOWCAP Bureau Meeting
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2019. 05.	2019 1st MOWCAP Bureau Meeting
2019. 04. – 12.	2019 ACC-MOWCAP Small Grants Programme
2018. 12.	Renewal of MoU between ACC and MOWCAP
2018. 05. – 12.	2018 ACC-MOWCAP Small Grants Programme
2018. 05.	2018 MOWCAP Bureau Meeting
2018. 05.	8th MOWCAP General Meeting
2018. 02.	2018 MOWCAP RSC Meeting
2017. 09.	UNESCO International Seminar on Human Rights Archives
2017. 07.	2017 MOWCAP Bureau Meeting
2017. 02.	Beginning of ACC-MOWCAP Cooperation Activities
2016. 09.	MOWCAP Office Opening Ceremony
2016. 05.	7th MOWCAP General Meeting
2015. 12.	MoU between ACC and MOWCAP

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