# Region IV Asia-Pacific

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## CICS무형문화연구원

### The Center for Intangible Culture Studies (CICS)

NGO accredited to provide advisory services to the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

Geographic Coverage of NGO's expertise: Republic of Korea.



### **Relevant projects or initiatives**

The ichpedia.org web project serves the purposes of (1) collecting basic information to catalogue national and regional ICH inventories, (2) discovering lesser-known ICH elements in danger of disappearance, (3) encouraging active participation of those who have an interest in ICH, (4) enhancing cultural diversity. CICS has also developed several programmes for collecting primary sources of ICH and to expand the web-based ICH inventory.

### NGO's activity networks and more information





#### Vision

Finding ways to protect and preserve ICH with an academic concern and indepth understanding of its distinctive characteristics.

### **Mission**

Conducting research on and inventorying ICH and safeguarding ICH in an academic framework in the face of the rapid transformation of Korean society and culture, with in-depth understanding of its distinctive characteristics.

### **Main areas of work related to the Convention**

- CICS specializes in the web-based ICH inventorying;
- Education is another active area of CICS: developing curriculum and teaching manuals in collaboration with a university and a research center;
- Organize Youtube lectures, workshops and interviews;
- Research activities on ICH;
- Applying to promote environment friendly products, techniques, and knowledge of our ICH. It aims to achieve the continuation of traditional food, recipes, and utensils made of natural materials for a future sustainable environment.



Academic research and teaching.



Cultural identity teaching.



Web-based inventorying.



Environmentally-friendly approaches.



Social resilience.



Endangered traditions approaches.



Inventorying.



Teaching.

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