

NGO Review of Accreditation

ICH-08 Report – Form

REPORT BY A NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION ACCREDITED TO ACT IN AN ADVISORY CAPACITY TO THE COMMITTEE ON ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION

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A. Identification of the organization

A.1. Name of the organization submitting this report

A.1.a. *Provide the full official name of the organization in its original language, as it appears on the official documents.*

National Archaeological-Anthropological Memory Management Foundation

A.1.b. *Name of the organization in English and/or French.*

National Archaeological-Anthropological Memory Management Foundation

A.1.c. *Accreditation number of the organization (as indicated in all previous correspondence: NGO-90XXX)*

NGO-90229

A.2. Address of the organization

Provide the complete postal address of the organization, as well as additional contact information such as its telephone number, email address, website, etc. This should be the postal address where the organization carries out its business, regardless of where it may be legally domiciled. In the case of internationally active organizations, please provide the address of the headquarters.

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B. Contribution of the organization to the implementation of the Convention at the national level (Chapter III of the Convention)¹

Distinguish between completed activities and ongoing activities. If you have not contributed, this should be indicated. Also describe any obstacles or difficulties that your organization may have encountered in such participation.

B.1. *Describe your organization's participation in State efforts to develop and implement measures to strengthen institutional capacities for safeguarding intangible cultural heritage (ICH) (Article 13 and Operational Directive (OD) 154), e.g. in the drafting of ICH-related policies or legislation, in the establishment of national ICH committees or in other government-led processes.*

Not to exceed 250 words

2009 First inventorying activities in the Convention framework in collaboration with the Curacao NATCOM

2010 Produced a teaching kit on ICH, in collaboration with the Curacao NATCOM. The kit included a poster, teacher manual, DVD on several ICH elements, and a more extended teachers' manual.

2010 – 2014 NAAM proposed ratification of the Convention (along with NATCOM) and subsequently proposed implementation legislation, to finally push for implementation without special legislation. In 2014 the government finally co-ratified after meetings between NAAM, the Foreign Affairs Bureau and the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports.

2015 – 2016

a. Trained after school instructions on ICH and teaching ICH.

b. Beginning of an inventory. But the inventory only incorporates ICH and Archaeological heritage and is intended to also integrate architectural monuments in the future. The Inventory is in its initial stages and only two ICH elements (kachu and benta) have been inventories according to the Convention guidelines.

c. Trained cadre of ICH agents, including a few teachers and after school instructors and cultural sector agents.

d. ICH incorporated into the cultural value map. This is a map of ICH, archeological and architectural heritage, places of memory and UNESCO world Heritage sites. As of February 14 2017 the map and its database contain about 200 elements.

2021 NAAM is currently involved in formally establishing a National ICH Committee. NAAM is a member of the committee. The Committee already has been meeting, but has had to pause activities due to the COVID pandemic and related issues. As the Committee resumes, under supervision of the UNESCO National Committee for Curaçao the next steps include its officialization through a National Ordinance.

B.2. *Describe your organization's cooperation with competent governmental bodies for the safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage (Article 13), including existing institutions for training on and the documentation of ICH (OD 154).*

Not to exceed 250 words

NAAM has collaborated with the Curacao NATCOM from the beginning on capacity building in the areas of field training, materials production and creation of an infrastructure of promoters of the implementation process. NAAM has also advised the Foreign Affairs Directorate on preparing co-ratification. The Foundation that carries out government policy on culture, Kas di Kultura, was also a partner in inventorying training and exercises organized by NAAM. Finally NAAM advises the Education and Culture Sector Policy Unit on the convention and its implementation.

In 2017 and 2018 NAAM also advised the University of Curaçao (UoC) when they wanted to incorporate ICH in their new Culture Studies Program. NAAM also invited the chair of the program to participate in the joint training for the Dutch Caribbean and Suriname, with a perspective on ICH and Higher Education. This collaboration has served for incorporating ICH in the university programs and training potential ICH policy, research and advocacy professionals.

¹ . In case your organization operates in several States, please indicate clearly which State or States are concerned by your answers when filling in parts B, C and E.

B.3. Describe your organization's involvement in or contribution to the drafting of the State's Periodic Report (OD 152).

Not to exceed 250 words

This has not occurred yet. Curaçao has not had to submit a Periodic Report since co-ratifying the Treaty. With the new reporting system Curaçao will be reporting as part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in the upcoming reporting by the European region.

B.4 Describe your organization's participation in the preparation of nominations to the Urgent Safeguarding List or Representative List, requests for International Assistance or proposals of Good Safeguarding Practices.

Not to exceed 250 words

This has not happened.

B.5. Describe your organization's participation in the identification, definition (Article 11.b) and inventorying of ICH (Article 12, OD 80 and OD 153). Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals.

Not to exceed 250 words

NAAM has had a long history of inventorying ICH on Curacao and the other Dutch Caribbean islands. Before 1998, NAAMs' predecessor, the Archeological Anthropological Institute of the Netherlands Antilles (a GO) did such research in the communities, including oral histories and in some cases community debates. Since the transition to NAAM community research and involvement has been less feasible due to financial constraints. Although NAAM has a database of close to 200 ICH elements the organization's current research does not involve the communities in the terms described by the convention. This is currently being setup for NAAM to do its work in the spirit of the convention. For the Convention ICH will only be identified, defined and inventoried with community participation. A start has been made with two elements: tambu drum music, and kachu, a horn played for harvest celebrations. Progress has been slow, especially due to the more recent COVID situation. However, an important milestone has been the making of a tambú case study for Convention's capacity-building workshops, as the first international UNESCO ICH teaching module with audiovisual material. The global use of this module will mean a greater visibility for the tambú and its related ICH.

B.6. Describe your organization's participation in other safeguarding measures, including those referred to in Article 13 and OD 153, aimed at:

- a. promoting the function of ICH in society;
- b. fostering scientific, technical and artistic studies with a view to effective safeguarding;
- c. facilitating, to the extent possible, access to information relating to ICH while respecting customary practices governing access to specific aspects of it.

Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals when participating in such measures.

Not to exceed 250 words

Although the Convention's strength is based on community action NAAM has also found useful for heritage promotion to support museums that might be initiatives of individual families or NGO's. NAAM has loaned hundreds of artifacts to museums, as well as community groups, including intangible heritage information for these exhibits.

NAAM has provided access to intangible heritage information on its website, in newspapers article series, publications and workshops. This is an ongoing work. We have also promoted local intangible heritage through exhibits and school materials and by involving schools in the design and implementation of cultural exhibits. NAAM's collection of local cultural artifacts is used yearly in the community for information on cultural heritage, for training of cultural agents and for cultural groups activities during cultural week and throughout the year.

Additionally, NAAM organized the following activities:

2017 - Producing educational material for primary and secondary schools of Curacao in order to safeguard Curacao's intangible and tangible cultural heritage.

2018 - This educational material went live on our website www.naam.cw under the Title : 'Sambuyá den herensia di Korsou' - ;Dive into the heritage of Curacao' in Papiamentu and Dutch. This series consists of 6 themes that are downloadable including extensive manuals for teachers.

2017 - 2020 Inventory of the Elis Juliana Archives Collection of Oral history tapes and his archives. Elis Juliana is the foremost ethnologist, heritage documentalist, folklorist and promoter of the intergenerational passing on of heritage.

2020 - Ongoing Digitalization of the Elis Juliana Archives Collection. When finished we will update the website www.elisjuliana.com . This website was created in 2006 as www.elisjuliana.info.

B.7. *Describe your organization's involvement in measures to ensure greater recognition of, respect for and enhancement of ICH, in particular those referred to in Article 14, ODs 105 to 109 and OD 155:*

- a. *educational, awareness-raising and information programmes aimed at the general public, in particular young people;*
- b. *educational and training programmes within the communities and groups concerned;*
- c. *capacity-building activities for the safeguarding of ICH;*
- d. *non-formal means of transmitting knowledge;*
- e. *education for the protection of natural spaces and places of memory whose existence is necessary for expressing ICH.*

Explain, in particular, how your organization cooperates with communities, groups and, where relevant, individuals when participating in such measures.

Not to exceed 250 words

NAAM has created educational materials for schools about the heritage from the 20th century. NAAM also regularly offers talks and workshops on ICH topics to a general public, schools and afterschool programs.

NAAM offers training for community groups and museums and their volunteers on heritage preservation, conservation and accessibility, and supports community initiatives on safeguarding that create living collections. The latest include a Fishermen's museum in a community, and one for a Catholic priest who was very much involved with the community, establishing cooperatives and labor unions. His legacy also includes a celebration that serves as an alternative to the controversial Saint Nicholas and Black Pete feast. NAAM was a major contributor to establishing a family-run museum dedicated to versatile recently deceased elder/ICH practitioner, Mr. Victor Bartholomeus (who is featured in the tambú case study mentioned in this report).

NAAM has co-created and executed three different ICH capacity building projects (for cultural agents, after school teachers and for community centers). NAAM has continued her relationship to the programs by providing support to students and teachers.

NAAM's Zíkinza collection of oral history was incorporated into the Memory of the World registry for Latin America and the Caribbean in 2017, making the Zikinza Collection much more public. Thus NAAM is assisting many more students and scholars in using it. The Oral History project started concentrating on a single topic: may 30th, 1969, when the different generations tell their story of this important general strike in the history of Curacao.

C. Bilateral, sub-regional, regional and international cooperation

Report on any activities carried out by your organization at the bilateral, subregional, regional or international levels for the implementation of the Convention, including initiatives such as the exchange of information and experience, and other joint initiatives, as referred to in Article 19 and OD 156. You may, for example, consider the following issues:

- a. sharing information and documentation concerning shared ICH (OD 87);
- b. participating in regional cooperation activities including, for example, those of category 2 centres for ICH established under the auspices of UNESCO (OD 88);
- c. developing networks of NGOs, communities, experts, centres of expertise and research institutes at subregional and regional levels to develop joint and interdisciplinary approaches concerning shared ICH (OD 86).

Not to exceed 250 words

NAAM has continued collaborating with different organizations, including Museo Kas di Palí Maishi, which has now become the second accredited NGO on the island. NAAM intends to continue collaborating. NAAM is also taking the lead on combining terrestrial and underwater archaeology with ICH, built monuments and movable heritage into a combined policy for safeguarding heritage.

D. Participation in the work of the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

- D.1** Has your organization participated in the Committee meetings or those of the General Assembly? If so, please indicate which meetings you attended and describe the nature of your contribution to the Committee's work.

Not to exceed 250 words

Our organization has not participated in the meetings.

- D.2** Has your organization served as a member of the Evaluation Body (OD 26 to 31), or as a member of the Consultative Body (between 2012 and 2014)? If so, please indicate the period.

Not to exceed 100 words

Our organization has not served on the Evaluation Body.

D.3 *In what way(s) has your organization provided advisory services to the Committee (OD 96) or in what way(s) do you foresee that it might provide such services in the future?*

Not to exceed 500 words

Our organization has not provided advisory services to the Committee. We do intend to do so, however, in relationship to making UNESCO's participation in the field more relevant to the communities concerned. At present our experience in the Caribbean shows that facilitation and implementation support need to be better aligned with institutional and policy related needs of SIDS. Our organization has ample experience with these issues in the Dutch Caribbean.

E. Capacities of your organization to evaluate nominations, proposals and requests (as described in OD 27 and OD 96):

E.1. *Nominations, proposals and requests are available for evaluation only in English or French. Do members of your organization or your staff have a very good command of English or French? If so, please indicate which language(s) and the number of those members or staff.*

Not to exceed 250 words

We currently do not have the in-house capacity to do so, but collaborate closely with local facilitator and previous director, Richenel Ansano, who is one of the only three active facilitators from the Caribbean region. All members of the staff have a good command of English.

E.2. *Does your organization have experience in working across several ICH domains? Please describe your experiences.*

Not to exceed 250 words

NAAM has worked across ICH domains for decades. AAINA/NAAM has performed oral history on numerous topics on each of the six islands of the Dutch Caribbean and supported oral history projects of others on all islands. NAAM has also worked directly with the community on spirituality and religious practices (both as a research institution and supporting communities for doing exhibits on Afro-Curacaoan religions).

Community Crafts (including street organs, *kachu* music for harvest festivals and community events, tin house construction, musical instrument making, etc.) have been exhibited through several NAAM projects or through community projects supported by NAAM. These have included exhibits, museum support, training of community groups in conservation and preservation methods, supporting community festivals and or other types of events. While most of this occurred in Curaçao NAAM has also provided assistance in these areas to Bonaire.

E.3. *Describe the experience of your organization in evaluating and analysing documents such as proposals or applications.*

Not to exceed 250 words

Every Year NAAM has to evaluate NGO and individual project proposals from the community, program proposals from government offices and ministries, archaeology research and exhibit proposals, foreign research proposals and local research proposals in intangible heritage, archaeological and cultural research.

NAAM also has had to evaluate proposals for nominations for international registries (World Heritage and Memory of the World).

NAAM is the vetting NGO for the Curacao government for cultural programming regarding

archaeology, anthropology, ICH and has been consulted also by local funding agencies on the content of funding applications that explore controversial, complicated or certain specialized themes. NAAM also advises the Bonaire government on issues of archaeology, museology, and partially on ICH.

E.4. Does your organization have experience in drafting synthetic texts in English or French? Please describe your experience and indicate in which language(s) and the number of those members or staff.

Not to exceed 250 words

E.5. Does your organization have experience in working at the international level or the capacity to apply local experience to an international context? Please describe such experience.

Not to exceed 250 words

NAAM currently does work in Curacao, Bonaire, and advises/interacts with organizations in Curacao, Bonaire, The Netherlands and Aruba. This includes our expertise as an institutional member of the Curacao NATCOM, but especially archaeology (fieldwork, Malta Treaty implementation, policy development, project consultation), Museology (Collection management, curation, research, community participation) and ICH (information sharing on Convention Implementation, but also training of cultural agents, policy development).

F. Cooperation with UNESCO

Report on activities carried out by your organization in cooperation with UNESCO (both direct cooperation with UNESCO as well as activities carried out under the auspices of UNESCO or for which you have received the authorization to use the emblem of UNESCO/of the 2003 Convention, or financial support, such as funding from the Participation Program).

Not to exceed 250 words

NAAM is an institutional member of the Curacao NATCOM, responsible for Social and Human Sciences and has contributed to this section, but also the Culture, Communication and Education. Concrete support included: 1. Coordination of MAB planning, 2. mapping, archaeological and ICH support for World Heritage site nominations, 3. Advice for research for developing Media Development Indicators, 4. developing SIDS-framework of action for the NATCOM programming and action, 5. general support for events, including World Press Freedom Day, international Jazz Day, etc.

NAAM produced ICH materials based on a PP project and has done training /educational PP projects on ICH

G. Membership in the ICH NGO Forum

Indicate below whether your organization wishes to (continue to) be part of the ICH NGO Forum. Please note that membership is contingent upon the decision of the Committee to maintain the accreditation of your organization.

For more information on the ICH NGO Forum and its activities, please see: <https://ich.unesco.org/en/ngo-forums-00422>.

☒ Yes

☐ No

H. Signature

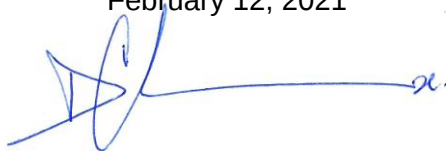
The report must include the name and signature of the person empowered to sign it on behalf of the organization.

Name: Dimitri Cloose

Title: Director

Date: February 12, 2021

Signature:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'D' followed by a horizontal line and a small flourish at the end.