State of the Research Network (as at the end of the Washington Conference)

Total number of members 103

Distribution by regions
- Europe 42
- America Latina 26
- North America 21
- Asia 13
- Africa 1

Distribution by type of employment
- Working only for a museum 42
- Working for a museum and a university 21
- Working only for a university 15
- Others 25
  - Retired 7
  - Consultant 8
  - Government employee 4
  - Student 6

Evolution of the Network

Number of Members

Beginning in Zagreb (2011)
- Number of members after the Yerevan Conference (2012) 63
- Number of members after the Rio Conference (2013) 89
- Number of members after the Alexandria Conference (2014) 89
- Number of members after the Washington Conference (2015) 103

Number participating to the researchers meeting

- Zagreb 13
- Yerevan 14
- Rio 21
- Alexandria 10
- Washington 29

Remarks

1) The preceding statistics show that there is a big gap between the number who consider themselves as members, and the ones who are present at the researchers meeting held during the international conference, the latter participating to the decisions taken during this meeting. So these decisions should be applied cautiously.

2) The total number of members is probably lower than 103, as 10 of them could not receive a message that I sent to the whole network. It is difficult to know if they left or if they simply changed address.

Important news
In Washington, an “Award for Research in Education and Cultural Action” - called the Colette Dufresne-Tassé award - for the best research report of an empirical investigation presented at the yearly international conference was created by the CECA Board after a suggestion of its President. Its full description is posted on the CECA web site. Grossly speaking, it consists of 400E plus the inscription fees.

**Accomplishments**

- Providing the CECA Conference Organizer with the template for the research proposals to be submitted the Milano Conference
- Reviewing the research proposals sent in view of the Milano Conference
- Publishing, with the collaboration of S. Wintzerith, ICOM Education 26, vol.1

  **Remarks:**
  1) The issue was ready by the end of 2015 and will be launched in Milano;
  2) Three research reports already received will be part of ICOM Education 26, vol. 2. This issue will be planned with the CECA Board during its Milano meetings.

- Devising - with the President of CECA - the “Award for Research in Education and Cultural Action”, its nature, goals and conditions of eligibility
- Creating a jury to evaluate the research reports submitted (6)
- Designing a research workshop to be held during the Milano Conference
  **Remark:** This had to be withdrawn for lack of space in the program
- Preparing the Milano meeting of the Researchers network meeting
  **Remark:** It will take place on the 5th of July, 14h-15h, at the MiCO Centro Congresi Milano.
- Answering the questions and requests of the membership

**Propositions to be submitted to the CECA Board**

- A new formula for the research workshop (three quarter of an hour discussion of the paper that won the award; this could take place during a Poster session)
- Creation of two new awards, one for historical research, the other for theoretical research

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