

CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

ICMS at ICOM Kyoto 2019: “Museums as Cultural Hubs: The Future of Tradition”

Kyoto, Japan 1st-7th September 2019

Projected Itinerary

1 st	September	ICOM meetings involving ICMS Chair
2 nd	September	ICMS Annual Conference
3 rd	September	ICMS Annual Conference
4 th	September	ICMS Annual Conference
5 th	September	Off-site meetings
6 th	September	Excursion day
7 th	September	ICOM meetings and Closing ceremony and party.

Conference Outline

ICMS will hold its annual conference at the triennial ICOM General Conference in Kyoto 2019.

The General Conference provides a valuable opportunity for ICMS members to share experiences, future prospects and advance expertise and leadership in the field of cultural heritage and museums. It gives ICMS members the opportunity to meet delegates from 141 countries and to promote the value and contribution that security can make to cultural heritage and museums. It is also an opportunity to showcase the work of ICMS and its members.

The theme of the ICOM General Conference is

“Museums as Cultural Hubs: The Future of Tradition”

It will be a forum for considering how museums can and should play pivotal roles in society, creating new functions to enrich the future as cultural hubs while embracing the traditions of the past. The ICMS annual conference will build on this theme and explore how modern security methods can adapt to the evolving role of museums and enable their future requirements.

ICMS invites members to submit abstracts of no more than 500 words for papers to be delivered at the ICMS conference whose topics align with any of the themes below. The submission deadline for abstracts is 28th February 2019.

Proposed Themes and Sessions:

1) Global Issues and Museums

How can security support, encourage or enable museums connect with global issues? What efforts can be made when it comes to tackling key problems which are prevalent in the world such as natural disasters, conflicts, environmental issues, globalisation, aging populations and social and economic inequalities?

2) Local Communities and Museums

What is our community responsibility? How can security be used to build bridges within local communities and stakeholders? How can we work with our community and stakeholders to nurture traditions and cultural resources for the benefit of future generations?

3) Museums Definition and System

What should the definition of museums security professionals be? Do we understand the realities and ideals of their roles? What policies and systems should be put in place for them to help them tackle their everyday challenges? How do we recognise stress and pressure in their roles and how do we support them and reduce the risk for others?

Abstracts will be considered by the ICMS Board and will be considered during the grant application process.

Early submissions are encouraged.

To submit an abstract or to contact the conference organisers with a query please email v.rapley@vam.ac.uk

For more information on the ICMS conference, please visit www.network.icom.museums/icms