









From Crisis to Commitment: Rethinking Policies and Partnerships for Heritage Protection in Conflict and Peacebuilding

on the 1st of October 2025, Residència d'Investigadors C/Hospital, 64 08001 Barcelona

09:30 – 10:00 Morning Coffee & Registration

10:00 - 10:30

Opening Session – Framing the Day

Welcome by Moderator and Introduction to Objectives

- Welcome Dr. Isabel Díaz Carretero Vice-Presidents of CSIC
- Some words from the HRH Princess Dana Firas, Petra National Trust President, ICOMOS Jordan President & UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador for Cultural Heritage
- Short reflection from ALF/IEMed representatives on outcomes of Day 1 by Gemma Aubarell-Solduga, Director of Culture, Gender, and Civil Society Department at IEMed
- Moderator: **Dr. Isber Sabrine**, Researcher at IMF-CSIC

10:30 - 11:30

Keynote lecture by Professor Neil Brodie

Fighting the Illicit Trade in Cultural Heritage in countries in conflict.

☑ Abstract / Overview of the Lecture:

In this keynote Professor Neil Brodie will explore the complex global networks that drive the illicit trade in cultural heritage, particularly in regions affected by conflict and crisis. Drawing on decades of academic research and field experience, he will highlight how looting and trafficking of antiquities are not isolated crimes but interconnected with transnational criminal economies, political instability, and weakening of community identities.

11:30– 12:00 Coffee Break











Panel 1: Policies for Heritage Protection in Crisis

This session examines how national, regional and international cultural policies can better support heritage protection in contexts of crisis, fragility, and displacement. Speakers will present institutional and grassroots perspectives, exploring challenges and opportunities for inclusive, flexible and conflict-sensitive frameworks.

- Speakers:
 - Moderator: Dr Juan Jose Ibañez, Professor of Researcher at IMF-CSIC
- 12:00- 12:15 Krista Pikkat, Director of the Culture and Emergency Entity, UNESCO
- 12:15 12:30 Emma Cunliffe. Blue Shield
- 12:30 -12:45 Vanessa Fraga Prol, Europa Nostra
- 12:45 13:00 **Kristen Hopper**, Durham University
- 13:00- 13:15 Q& A

13:15 - 14:30

Free time for Lunch

14:30-15:30

Panel 2: Partnership Models for Sustainable Heritage Protection in conflict and crisis

Exploring innovative partnerships between local authorities, NGOs, funding agencies international bodies and academic institutions. This session will present successful collaborations and identify factors that enable sustainability and equitable participation.

Speakers:

Moderator: Gaiane Casnati, SIREH organization

- 14:30-14:45 **Stephen Stenning**, Cultural Protection Fund, British Council
- 14:45-15:00 Gala-Alexa Amagat, ALIPH Foundation
- 15:00-15:15 **Andrew Potts,** Climate Heritage Network
- 15:15-15: 30 Q&A











15:30-17:00

Panel 3: Local Voices, Global Impact

A participatory panel giving voice to representatives from across the region. Speakers will share bottom-up experiences and lessons learned from heritage-led resilience and recovery efforts.

Speakers:

Moderator: Xavier Casanova, RehabiMed orgnization

- 15:30-15:45 Mohammed Jumeh, Ambassador of Yemen to UNESCO
- 15:45 -16:00 Salih Rajab al-augap Abdulla, Ambassador of Libya to UNESCO
- •—16:00 -16:15 Christian Enrique De La Torre Sánchez & Adriana Hernández Sánchez

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- 16:15-16:30 **Isber Sabrine**, IMF-CSIC
- 16:45 -17:00 Q&A

17:00 - 17:30

Closing Plenary – Collective Call for Action

This final session will bring all participants together to reflect on the key messages, insights, and priorities emerging from the day's discussions. It will serve as a platform for shaping a **collective vision** for the future of cultural heritage protection in the Mediterranean and beyond—especially in the context of crisis, displacement, and peacebuilding.