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Museums / Community and education
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International conference at the joint initiative of ICOM Portugal, ICOM-CECA and ICOM Europe on museums, community and education, on the theme of the ICOM General Conference in Kyoto. This conference included 3 thematic sessions.

1. Memory and community. How museums can become cultural centres for people can understand the value of heritage.
2. Education and community. How education departments can develop participatory strategies to give a voice to the local community in remote or isolated areas (low population density).
3. Heritage as an expression of different cultures and different migrations. Objects have different meanings in different communities, what makes an object so important to a community?

The programme was very rich and varied with several speakers (33) from Portugal (26), Spain (4), Brazil (2) and France (1). The Frenchman Hugues de Varine gave the opening speech on "Le Musée communautaire : agent de l'éducation populaire".

There were also speakers from different universities in Portugal and Spain, museum professionals from Portugal, Spain and Brazil.

The programme also included the inauguration of an exhibition, guided tours of the Municipal Archaeological Museum, a visit to the Eco Museum (Cabeço do Pião), the Roman archaeological site and historic village of Castelo Novo and the Memorial House of United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres.

