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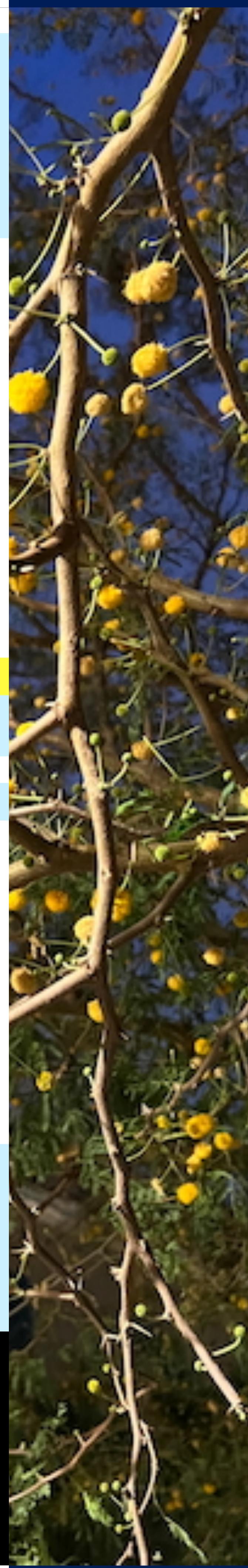
CECA Newsletter 21 - January 2025

2025 - Happy New Year !



Dear CECA members,

On Christmas Day, I reflected on all our shared activities of the past year. An extraordinarily successful year, with so many inspiring projects: our three awards receiving more and more candidates from all over the world, the African workshop which was a tremendous success thanks to the essential participation of an African CECA team, an extraordinary annual conference in Greece, one of the best we have ever had, bringing together 300 people from 60 different countries, a rich publication from Brazil in four languages, the continuous enrichment of the contributions the CECA Special Interest Groups, evident in the workshops offered atthe Athens conference, the creation of a university microcertification with the University of Murcia in research projects applied to education in museums in Latin America and the Caribbean. Microcredentials are a European Union initiative to promote lifelong learning with university quality. And so much more.



CECA, in achieving this excellence, is a wonderful model of what life should be in our world: inclusive sharing of ideas, respect for all, acceptance of differences, search for harmony and balance in actions. All these results have been achieved thanks to the selfless work of many CECA members all over the world, and harmony doesn't ruin efficiency!

How I wish, how we wish, to have such a dynamic in our world instead of the terrible examples of needless hatred, destruction, and suffering that surround us.

Yes, museums can be places that make the world a better place and, as educators, our role is vital in achieving this goal. This is my wish to each of us for the new year. Let us be examples of what a better world should look like.

Marie-Clarté O'Neill, Chair ICOM-CECA

CECA General Assembly

Take part online in the next CECA General Meeting Saturday 25 January 2025 at 2pm (Paris time) Get the participation link! The <u>activity reports</u> can be found on the website:

CECA needs you !

This year (2025) it will again be time to form a new board. This is a great opportunity for everyone, senior and junior members alike, to take a seat on the board. We need a strong and active board to support the ambitious mission described above. The current CECA board must replace more than half of its current members, including the top positions: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary. In total, we need 15 board members to fill all the necessary positions.

Would you like to play an active role in the development of our committee? Then grab your chance and stand for election.



Calender Elections 2025

- Mid April : Opening of the candidacy period
- End of May : Closing of applications
- Mid july 8 September: Voting period
- Mid October: Results of election during the General Assembly (We don't want to organize the General Assembly during Dubai as it takes place on line)

Curious about the meetings of the various **Special Interest Groups**? Check out the website under <u>SIGs</u> and <u>Young Members Network</u>. Confirmed dates for the SIG meetings and our Young Members Network are communicated on our social media channels.

Social networks and CECA website

Don't miss out on any of the events offered by ICOM CECA and expand your network: join us today on our very dynamic ICOM CECA social media (links below) and check our website regularly.

> Facebook Youtube Instagram LinkedIn

The CECA Board meets regularly online. If you have an issue you would like to bring in this discussion, please email the chair: Marie-Clarté O'Neill. oneillmarieclarte@gmail.com

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