

PRISM Conference: Protecting Cultural Heritage in Practice

PRISM: Prevention, Research, Investigation and Security in Museums
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VENUE Museum of the Slovak National Uprising, Cinema Hall of the Museum of the Slovak National Uprising,
Kapitulská 23, Banská Bystrica

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

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9:30

CONFERENCE OPENING

Margareta Musilová – Chair of ICOM Slovakia, Lead Coordinator
of the PRISM Slovakia project

Sophie Delepierre – Head of the Cultural Heritage Protection Department, ICOM Secretariat
ICOM Paris

Jasna Paličková – Chair of the Slovak Blue Shield Committee

Jana Melnerová Šuteková – Chair of the Slovak Archaeological Society
at the Slovak Academy of Sciences

BLOCK 1

PREVENTION: PREPARATION, LEGISLATION AND SECURITY

9:50

Presentation of the main PRISM project activity – web platform
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Mgr. Katarína Krivosudská – Project Manager at the Institute of Technology and
Innovation s.r.o., PRISM Project Coordinator

10:10

Introduction to the legal aspects of cultural heritage protection. Past and legislation.

JUDr. Mgr. Tomáš Michalík, PhD. – Archaeologist, lawyer, Deputy Director
Trenčín Museum

10:30

Historic buildings and their maintenance in the context of climate change

Ing. arch. Pavol Jackovič – Monuments Inspector, Monuments Board of the Slovak Republic

10:50

Safe museum – protected cultural heritage

Ing. Ján Donič, MBA – Executive Director, BOZPO, s.r.o., Safety Technician

11:10 – 11:30

COFFEE BREAK AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

BLOCK 2**RESPONSE: CRISIS MANAGEMENT, CRIME AND ILLEGAL TRADE**

11:30	Combating illicit trafficking in cultural property: the role of ICOM, operational tools and the PRISM initiative Sophie Delepierre – Head of the Cultural Heritage Protection Department, ICOM Secretariat ICOM Paris Mélina Mac Donald – Coordinator of the Cultural Heritage Protection Department, ICOM Secretariat Paris
11:50	International search for objects of cultural value mjr. Mgr. Lukáš Roganský – INTERPOL National Central Bureau, International Police Cooperation Office of the Police Presidium
12:10	Protection of cultural heritage in the Slovak Republic from the perspective of criminal police mjr. JUDr. Adrián Vicena – Cultural Heritage Protection Specialist, Criminal Police Department of the Police Presidium
12:30	Archaeological crime in Slovakia Mgr. Matúš Sládok, PhD. – Senior Adviser, Archaeologist, Regional Monuments Board Trnava
12:50	Cultural heritage crisis management: historical experience and current challenges PhDr. Mgr. Gabriel Vizslay, PhD. – Culture Officer, Department of Culture, Košice Self-Governing Region
13:10 – 14:10	LUNCH BREAK

BLOCK 3**RESCUE: FIRST AID, RECOVERY AND PRACTICAL EXAMPLES**

14:10	What did the treasure hunters find? Presentation of the database of illicit archaeological finds Mgr. Peter Bisták, PhD. – Director of the Archaeology Department, Monuments Board of the Slovak Republic Mgr. Erika Makarová, Ph.D. – Monuments Specialist, Archaeologist, Monuments Board of the Slovak Republic – World Cultural Heritage Unit
14:30	Reducing risks to collections and first aid in their rescue from a conservator's perspective Mgr. art. Barbara Davidson, ArtD. – Chief Conservator, Bratislava City Gallery, Chair of the Slovak Chamber of Conservators
14:50	Open storage facility of the Museum of the Slovak National Uprising – protecting collection objects in the 21st century Ing. Dalibor Lesník – Deputy Director, Museum of the Slovak National Uprising Mgr. Lukáš Volentier, PhD. – Historian, Museum of the Slovak National Uprising
15:10	Blue Shield Slovakia PhDr. Jasna Paličková – Ethnographer, Slovak National Museum – Historical Museum, Chair of the Slovak Blue Shield Committee
15:30 – 16:00	FINAL DISCUSSION AND OFFICIAL CLOSING