Over the course of history, humanity has always developed systems of knowledge about natural and social environments and skills and technologies related to everyday life and passed this knowledge down to younger generations. Knowledge, value systems, and customs are living heritage accumulated over generations, and they strengthen social connections, support response to crises, and enable sustainable development. For example, women of the Kikuyu community in Kenya have accumulated knowledge about cultivating and storing a wide range of beans. This knowledge has become a valuable resource buffering the community from the ills of monoculture farming. Samoans use traditional knowledge about the ecological cultivation of pandanus, raw material for textiles, producing eco-friendly textile products that contribute to environmental sustainability. Thus, traditional knowledge as intangible cultural heritage not only contributes to the development of ways of life that ensure the survival and prosperity of the community but also the sustainability of humanity as a whole.

Traditional knowledge is intangible cultural heritage containing the wisdom of humanity that has adapted to changing environments with limited resources. Within intangible cultural heritage, we find production knowledge allowing the community to sustain itself, knowledge on nature and the universe accumulated in the process of adaptation to the ecosystem, and knowledge on traditional medicine to improve human health. Such knowledge covers the full range of the community’s values, customs, technologies, rituals, and language. Traditional knowledge as living heritage contributes not only to inclusive economic and social development but also to environmental sustainability, taking humanity to the next stage of progress. However, the value of traditional knowledge has not received the attention it deserves amidst the stunning development of modern science and rapid changes in society. At the 2022 World Forum for Intangible Cultural Heritage, we aim to shine new light on the value of traditional knowledge, which is under siege due to rapid societal developments, through the perspective of intangible cultural heritage. We invite you to join us on this occasion, during which we will share case studies on traditional knowledge from around the world, rediscovering the value and affirming the role of traditional knowledge as intangible cultural heritage in the sustainable development of humanity.
## Day 1

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| 9.21. (Wed.) | 14:00-14:20 | Opening Ceremony  
Opening Speech: Kyunghoon Yi, Director of the NIHC  
Welcoming Speech: Eung-Chon Choi, Administrator of Cultural Heritage Administration of Korea, Jisung Kim, Director-General of UNESCO ICHCAP  
Congratulatory Messages: UNESCO, City of Jeonju, etc. |
| 9.21. (Wed.) | 14:20-14:50 | Keynote Presentations  
Intangible Cultural Heritage and its challenges to the Authorised Heritage Discourse: Laurajane Smith, Professor and Director of the Centre of Heritage and Museum Studies, Australian National University  
The Role of Traditional Knowledge in Modern Society: Kyung-koo Han, Secretary-General of Korean National Commission for UNESCO |
| 9.21. (Wed.) | 14:50-15:50 | Session 1: Safeguarding and Transmitting Traditional Knowledge as Intangible Cultural Heritage  
(Moderator: Chul-In Yoo, Professor Emeritus, Jeju National University)  
Janet Blake, Associate Professor, Shahid Beheshti University  
Presentation 2: Resource Conservation and Utilization through Indigenous Knowledge in a Tribal Community in Odisha, India  
Deepak Kumar Behera, Vice-Chancellor, Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences  
Nibedita Nath, Associate Professor, Kalahandi University  
Presentation 3: Protecting Transmission of Traditional Knowledge: From Legal Perspective  
So-young Yook, Professor and Dean of Chungnam National University  
Presentation 4: Safeguarding Traditional Knowledge: International Recognition and its Role for a Sustainable Future  
Peter Strasser, Professor and head of the Center for Cultural Property Protection, University for Continuing Education Krems |
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The Systematic Discovery and Understanding Traditional Knowledge as Intangible Cultural Heritage  
Hahn-Sok Wang, Professor Emeritus, Seoul National University |
| 9.22. (Thu.) | 14:30-15:30 | Session 2: Traditional Knowledge and Sustainable Water Management  
(Moderator: Kyung-Taek Yim, Professor, Jeonbuk National University)  
Presentation 1: Traditional Irrigation Knowledge and Water Management in Japan  
Yama Yoshiyuki, Professor of Kwansai Gakuin University  
Presentation 2: Implementation of Tri Hita Karana Philosophy for the Sustainable of Subak Irrigation System in Bali, Indonesia  
Wayan Windia, Professor and Head of Subak Research Centre, Universitas Udayana  
Presentation 3: Living Waters in Peru: The Role of Rituals in Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage and Promoting Environmental Sustainability  
Michelle Nicholson-Sanz, Research Fellow, Leverhulme Trust  
Presentation 4: Indigenous Knowledge of Farming Practices and Water Management in the Dry Zone of Sri Lanka  
Rekha Nianthi, Professor, University of Peradeniya |
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Traditional Medicine as Intangible Cultural Heritage  
Judith Farquhar, Max Palevsky Professor Emeritus, University of Chicago |
| 9.23. (Fri.) | 14:30-15:30 | Session 3: Understanding and Developing Traditional Medicine as Traditional Knowledge  
(Moderator: Taewoo Kim, Associate Professor, Kyung Hee University)  
Presentation 1: Restoring Faith in Native Healing: Guma Ya’ame  
Zita Pangelinan, Co-Founder, Háyla Cultural and Heritage Preservation Foundation  
Presentation 2: Traditional Healing Practice in Thailand: Naad Thai as Intangible Cultural Heritage  
Prapoj Petrakard, Advisor of Folk Healer Network Society  
Presentation 3: The safeguarding of the health system associated with the Traditional Knowledge of the Jaguar Shamans of Yurupari, in Colombia  
Martin Andrade-Pérez, Researcher, Erigaie Foundation  
Presentation 4: Traditional Medicine in the Syrian Crisis  
Rasha Barhoum, Researcher, Syria Trust for Development |
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* Please note that the schedule is subject to change.