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JOINT CONFERENCE 2021

POLITICAL PRESSURE ON MUSEUM PROFESSIONALS:

CONTROLLING THE NARRATIVE?

Digital event:

Thursday, 30th of September 2021 - 2 PM CEST Paris

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Political pressure on museums seems to be increasing worldwide, leaving museum professionals with ethical challenges to consider.

How far should museums stretch or compromise when politics or politicians in charge demand different approaches to those which the museum director or employees regard as sound in light of their professional standards?

What about the personal integrity of museum professionals towards their field and social responsibility? Who can they turn to for help if needed?

In short: Where is the line drawn for the museum professional when torn between partisan political interests and the profession's own standards? And how can the museum community protect its standards and support its members?

Conference Program

Introduction: Kathrin Pabst, Chair ICETHICS

Ophelia Leon, Chair ICMEMO

Moderators: Felicitas Heimann-Jelinek

Valeria Pica

Keynote : 2 x 20 min presentations. 1 hour total Dariusz Stola, Poland Pier Luigi Sacco, Italy Dialogue between Dariusz Stola and Pier Luigi Sacco

5 minute break

5 selected speakers who present case studies from different parts of the world (10 mins. each)

Asia, Inkyung Chang, Chair ICOM Korea

Latin America, Luisa de Peña, Chair ICOM Dominican Republic

North America, Linda Norris, International Coalition of Sites of Conscience

Europe, Kaja Sirok, Chair ICOM Slovenia

Africa, Karima Grant, Care Imagination Africa

Q&A

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