UNESCO’s Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage and Challenges of the ACCU’s Activities on Capacity Building

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Abstracts

Asia / Pacific Cultural Center for UNESCO is the organization built by the Japanese government to respond to the UNESCO’s Convention for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage. The organization has conducted various activities of documenting Asian and Pacific countries’ cultural heritages and publishing them in books, films and web sites. Through these activities, we faced with some difficulties and problems about the way of “safeguarding” these cultural heritages. In this situation, we always tried to put priority on the capacity building of the holders of each cultural tradition.

In this presentation, I will show several products of our activities, and will discuss over the difficulties and problems we faced with during their conducting processes.