

## Lecture 2 : What is intangible heritage, and how do we safeguard it? An overview of the 2003 Convention

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This lecture provides an introduction to the 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage, including a discussion of the definition of ICH, the role of communities in safeguarding ICH, as well as measures for safeguarding ICH at the national and international level.

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### **Recommended Links and Readings:**

- UNESCO's Website for Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage  
[www.unesco.org/culture/ich](http://www.unesco.org/culture/ich)
- *Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage* (2003)  
<http://www.unesco.org/culture/ich/index.php?pg=00006>
- *Operational Directives for the Implementation of the Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage* (June 2008)  
<http://www.unesco.org/culture/ich/index.php?lg=en& ;pg=00026>