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THURSDAY, September 17, 2026.

09.30 – 10.00 Registration of the participants

10.00 Opening ceremony

Welcome speech by Prof. Dr. Piotr Stec, Chair of COST action CRICULT

Welcome speech by PD Dr. habil. Izabella Parowicz, Vice Chair of COST action CRICULT

10.15 Plenary presentation:

Clizia Franceschini & Jelena Pavličić Šarić, *What makes heritage alive? Unbreakable ties between man and the past, tangible and intangible*

10.30 Session I

CONTINUITY AND TRANSFORMATIONS OF CULTURAL HERITAGE vs. HOLISTIC APPROACH TO ITS PRESERVATION

Moderators: Dr. Clizia Franceschini and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Jelena Pavličić Šarić

10.30 Nicholas Joseph Doublet, *Hermeneutics of Rupture and Continuity: Ritual Transmission and the Material Reconfiguration of Catholic Sacred Space after Vatican II*

10.45 Danielle Wilde, Miia Huttunen, Pau Pascual, Michał A. Piegzik & Suzie Thomas, *Living Heritage in Motion: Food Practices, Religious Identity, and the Governance of Intangible Cultural Heritage*

11.00 Murchana Madhury & Ommker Dutta Jay, *In Transition: Syncretic Intangible Heritage and Architectural Expressions in South-Eastern Bengal's Buddhist Temples*

11.15 Emma Segelke, *The Interconnectedness of Indigenous Peoples' Cultural Heritage – Bridging the Tangible, Intangible and Spiritual Dimensions in Times of Crisis*

11.30 Discussion

11.45 Coffee break

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12.15 Andris Kairiss, *Intangible Cultural Heritage in Conflict and Recovery: From Non-Material Harm to Community Resilience*

12.30 Hacer Başarır & Aysu Arsoy, *The Hole: Remembering Bottom-up Heritage in Contested Famagusta*

12.45 Evelyn Reuter, *Staging Religious Harmony: Intangible Religious Heritage and Governance in Post-Socialist Albania*

13.00 Gordana Gjorgievska Nedelkovski, *Intangible Religious Heritage in North Macedonia: Challenges Between Tradition, Secularization, and Politicization*

13.15 Discussion

13.30 – 15.00 Refreshment break

15.00 Session II

DIGITALIZATION AND PRESERVATION OF INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE: CRISIS, INNOVATION AND NEW PRACTICES

Moderator: Dr. Raffaella De Marco

15.00 Claire Wallace, *The Digitisation of Intangible Cultural Heritage: an emerging crisis*

15.15 Liudmyla Harmash, *Ukrainian Wartime Songs as Intangible Cultural Heritage in Crisis*

15.30 Isto Huvila & Helena Wangefeldt Ström, *Heritagising holy trails: paradata as means for preserving intangible religious heritage*

15.45 Eslam Nofal & Awatif Alrefae, *Islamic funerary inscriptions*

16.00 Zekeryia Merdin, *Digital Mourning and Commemoration Practices in Online Environments After the 2023 Türkiye Earthquakes*

16.15 Discussion

FRIDAY, September 18, 2026.

09.30 Session III

INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE BETWEEN LAW AND GOVERNANCE

Moderator: Dr. Karolina Kuprecht

09.30 Luis Capote Perez, *IP Law and Cultural Heritage Protection: The Problem of Immaterial Goods*

09.45 Thiago Burckhart, *Negotiating Intangible Religious Heritage: Biocultural Community Protocols and Legal Pluralism in Brazil*

10.00 Agnese Mussatti, *Intangible Cultural Heritage in Times of Ecological Transition: Legal Fragmentation and a Crisis of Recognition*

10.15 Coffee break

10. 45 Erilda Selaj, *Regulation and Protection of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Albania: Legal and Policy Perspectives*

11.00 Gülsel Çiftci, *Climate-Related Heritage Risks in Border Regions: A Comparative Governance Analysis of the Edirne–Thrace Tri-Border Area and the Adriatic Heritage Landscape*

11.15 Stefano Magnolo & Ana Galán, *The Crisis of Scientific Heritage: Fragility, Transmission and Safeguarding of an Intangible Cultural Heritage*

11.30 Discussion and Concluding remarks from the conference

11.45 – 12.45 Coffee break

12.00 – 12.45 POSTER PRESENTATIONS – authors in attendance time

13.00 Research trip to Neuzelle Abbey

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