

ICOM Azerbaijan will not be able to attend the meeting which is scheduled to be held on March 10, in Paris.

Please find below our suggestions concerning the proposed new museum definition.

To have opinions about the proposed museum definition, ICOM Azerbaijan surveyed all of its members. Then it organized a special board meeting to discuss the feedbacks with its board members. As a conclusion, ICOM Azerbaijan suggests to retain the current definition (2007) but with some adding from the proposed new definition:

A museum is a non-profit, permanent institution in the service of society and its development, open to <u>and inclusive for</u> the public, which acquires, conserves, researches, communicates and exhibits the tangible and intangible heritage of humanity and its environment for the purposes of <u>safeguarding diverse social memories</u> for <u>future generations</u>.

Rema Zeynalova Secretary, ICOM Azerbaijan