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Dear Dr Duan,

Recognition of the World Intangible Cultural Heritage Foundation

Thank you for your letter and the support expressed for the work of the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint (Lead Paint Alliance).

In accordance with the operational framework for the Global Alliance, the **World Intangible Cultural Heritage Foundation** will be included in a listing of partners and will appear on the website of the Lead Paint Alliance together with a copy of the letter of intent.

The operational framework contains important information pertaining to the status of the World Intangible Cultural Heritage Foundation, as a partner in the work of the Lead Paint Alliance. Of particular importance are matters relating to public communication, especially use of the name "Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint", the name "Lead Paint Alliance", the name, emblem and logo of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the name, emblem and logo of the World Health Organization (WHO). As specified in the operational framework, the express written approval of UNEP and WHO is required before any such use. A copy of the operational framework is attached for your convenience.

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It is noted the following contributions of the **World Intangible Cultural Heritage Foundation** into the work of the Lead Paint Alliance:

1. Provide expertise and advice to paint companies interested in producing paint without lead additives.
2. Provide other expertise or activities that can help reduce exposure to lead paint.

We look forward to the active contribution of the **World Intangible Cultural Heritage Foundation** to the Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint and your engagement in the work of this joint UNEP and WHO initiative. Should you have any questions, please send an email to noleadinpaint@who.int and leadcadmiumchemicals@un.org.

Yours sincerely,



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Lead Paint Alliance Partner Application

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12 March 2026

To: Lead Paint Alliance Secretariat

Submission to: lead-cadmiumchemicals@un.org; noleadinpaint@who.int

Subject: Partner Application for the Lead Paint Alliance

World Intangible Cultural Heritage Federation (WICHF) endorses the goals and objectives of the Lead Paint Alliance and wishes to be considered as a partner of the Alliance. We attach the duly completed WHO Tobacco/Arms Disclosure Statement and confirm that, as a non-State actor, WICHF will adhere to the principles of the WHO Framework for Engagement with Non-State Actors (FENSA).

WICHF works at the intersection of cultural heritage, public education, traditional craft practice, and community engagement. In this context, our organization seeks to support awareness-building and practical risk prevention related to lead-containing paints, pigments, coatings, and decorative materials where these may arise in heritage-related products, artisanal production, cultural spaces, exhibitions, and public-facing cultural activities.

Over the next 12 months, WICHF proposes to contribute to the work of the Lead Paint Alliance through the following forms of in-kind support:

- Raising awareness of the health impacts of exposure to lead in paint, especially in relation to cultural heritage, decorative materials, artisanal production, and public-facing cultural environments.
- Supporting educational and outreach activities that promote safer material choices, responsible production practices, and better understanding of lead-related risks among craft practitioners, cultural organizations, communities, and consumers.
- Facilitating dialogue and knowledge-sharing on lower-risk alternatives to lead-containing paints, pigments, coatings, and related materials where relevant to heritage-related settings.
- Using WICHF's communication and stakeholder engagement capacity to encourage discussion of safer production, child protection, and occupational exposure prevention in applicable craft and heritage contexts.

We understand that this letter of intent is not legally binding and that a copy of this letter of commitment, together with the name of World Intangible Cultural Heritage Federation (WICHF), may be publicly listed on the Lead Paint Alliance website.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Yangyang Duan

President

12 March 2026