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Subject: Invitation for a Meeting Regarding the UNESCO Indonesia Funds-in-Trust (I-FIT), Indonesia and Afghanistan Museums Training Project

Dear Pak Harry Widianto,

First of all, we would like to renew our sincere appreciation to the Ministry of Education and Culture (MoEC) for the kind support and cooperation in the implementation of the Indonesia and Afghanistan Museums Training Program and Kota Tua, Jakarta Projects being undertaken within the Indonesia-UNESCO Funds-in-Trust modality. Without the kind support and initiative of your Ministry, the excellent results achieved so far in these projects would have not been possible.

It is our pleasure to inform you that the project entitled 'Promoting Intercultural Dialogue through Capacity Building Training for Museum Development at UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Indonesia and Afghanistan' is on track to finish within the agreed timeframe. UNESCO has undertaken a rigorous international tendering process to identify a high international institute to support in the museum training, and a contract with this institution is now being finalised.

We are at the stage of defining the key dates and partners for the implementation in 2015, and would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with you and your team at your earliest convenience to discuss proposed areas of collaboration between the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Indonesian National Museum. We have attached the draft work plan and this document for your easy reference.

We strongly believe that the IFIT provides a significant opportunity to continue the cooperation between Indonesia, Afghanistan and UNESCO in the field of culture, as well as supporting the government of Afghanistan in safeguarding its cultural heritage in the face of significant challenges in the national rebuilding process.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely,

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## Attachments:

- Work plan and project activities for 2015