

In only a week from now, on **Thursday, 24th of November at 6 pm CET**, IC Ethics will have a new **Meeting Room Event!** As usual, we will start with a moderated session and presentation, before opening the floor for a discussion about the ethical challenges and implications mentioned in the lecture. The moderator will be Dr Lina G. Tahan.

INVISIBLE RECONSTRUCTIONS

Following the April 2009 L'Aquila earthquake, historian Dr Lucia Patrizio Gunning and her architect husband Barnaby instigated and coordinated a series of online and on site participative projects to help reconnect disenfranchised citizens of this historic central Italian city with their cultural heritage. With the support Google and the assistance of hundreds of local people, they built online tools to document the damaged city through photographs, 3d models and Streetview imagery.

Barnaby will talk through the origins, development and delivery of these projects and their outcomes. He will discuss the obstacles encountered and reflect on the lessons learned.

Experience of how institutional responses to the L'Aquila earthquake ignored the psychological, social and cultural aspects of the disaster combined with insights gained from her academic specialism in the history of collecting and museum formation led Dr Patrizio-Gunning to seek an alternative approach to disaster response.

In collaboration with urbanist and gaming simulation specialist Paola Rizzi, in 2021 they launched an international and interdisciplinary initiative: Invisible Reconstruction. The initiative seeks to change policy around the entire cycle of disaster from preparedness, through response and to repair, using the instruments of engagement, education and participation the initiative aims to reduce risk, increase institutional transparency and improve outcomes.

The first Invisible Reconstruction volume is published this December. Dr Patrizio-Gunning will set out its scope and discuss the important role of cultural heritage and museums as catalysts for social mending and recovery.

This is the link to the event: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84182348340>. All ICOM members are invited to attend.

Best,
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