
Mandate of ICOM Strategic Allocation Review Committee (SAREC)

According to the ICOM Internal Rules¹, the mandate of the ICOM Strategic Allocation Review Committee is defined as follows:

5.2.1 General rules for Standing Committees

Standing Committees are appointed by the President after consultation with the Executive Board.

The mandate of a Standing Committee is indefinite. The Committee reports and operates under the authority of the Executive Board.

The chair and ordinary members can serve two consecutive three (3)-year terms in each position, with a maximum consecutive serving time of four three (3)-year terms. The three (3)-year term runs from the year following a General Conference to the year after the next General Conference. The mandate for the members of the Standing Committee representing the Executive Board ends when a new Executive Board is elected.

In addition to the Chair and ordinary members, the Committee includes, ex officio, the President. The Director General can take part in the Committee meetings but shall not take part in voting. The Committee is assisted by the relevant professional in the Secretariat.

Proposals made by the Committee are adopted by simple majority of the committee members.

The Chair of the Committee submits an annual report to the Executive Board on 30 October at the latest (for exceptions, see under each Committee). The Committee shall also submit a general report on the Committee's work during the preceding triennium to each General Assembly at the General Conference of ICOM.

ICOM does not compensate the Members of the Committee nor reimburse expenses incurred in fulfilling their function such as travel, hotel and other costs.

Article 5.2.5. ICOM Strategic Allocation Review Committee

The Strategic Allocation Review Committee (hereinafter referred to as SAREC) is a Standing Committee of ICOM.

SAREC shall monitor the appropriate use of ICOM's financial resources set aside for the subvention, special project and grant programmes. SAREC defines the guidelines to be followed by all applicants. It annually evaluates applications for subventions, special projects and grants submitted by ICOM's committees, alliances, affiliated organisations or members.

This evaluation rests on ICOM's Statutes, Internal Rules and Strategic Plan. SAREC reviews the quality and the scope of the proposals with regard to content, organisation and finances as well as their alignment with the Strategic Plan. On the basis of this evaluation, SAREC proposes the allocation of the annual subventions, special project subventions and grants.

¹ ICOM Internal Rules adopted in 2017

SAREC's recommendations are transmitted to the Director General of ICOM, for the approval of the ICOM President in time to fall within the set budget voted every year by the Executive Board of ICOM. Once a year, and with the assistance of the Secretariat, the Chair of SAREC submits a report to the Director General for the approval of the President of ICOM, to be presented to the Executive Board.

Once a year, the Chair of SAREC presents a report to the Advisory Council during its June meeting.

In carrying out its work, SAREC ensures that there are no conflicts of interest amongst its members and that the Committee retains its independence and impartiality when making its recommendations.