

Call for Members for the CIMUSET Special Interest Group on Decolonisation and Recognition

The CIMUSET Special Interest Group on Decolonisation and Recognition is seeking five new members to join our international working group for the period 2026–2028. The group works to strengthen awareness, build capacity, and support science and technology museums in engaging with decolonisation and the recognition of diverse knowledge systems.

Through collaboration, professional exchange, workshops, and knowledge sharing, we aim to contribute to more inclusive narratives, collections, and institutional practices across the global CIMUSET community.

Why join the group?

As a member, you will collaborate with an international network of museum professionals and researchers, contribute to shaping CIMUSET's work on decolonisation and recognition, and help develop workshops, resources, and initiatives that support science and technology museums worldwide.

Who can apply?

We welcome applications from museum professionals, researchers, educators, and scholars with experience and a strong interest in decolonisation, recognition, inclusion, and related fields within science and technology museums or science communication.

When selecting new members, the current Special Interest Group will seek to ensure:

- broad geographical and regional representation;
- a balance of emerging and established professionals and scholars; and
- demonstrated experience and commitment to decolonisation, recognition, and/or inclusive museum practice.

You do not have to be a CIMUSET or ICOM member to join the group.

Term of appointment

Members will be appointed until September 2028, when a new Special Interest Group will be appointed following the ICOM Triennial Conference.

Expectations

Members are expected to actively contribute to the work of the group by participating in meetings, contributing to ongoing projects and initiatives, and supporting the development of activities and resources for the CIMUSET community.

There should also be a demonstrable and ‘hands-on’ commitment to growing a sustainable and diverse Community of Practice (CoP) on Decolonisation and Recognition within the CIMUSET community and beyond.

How to apply

Please submit:

- a motivation letter (maximum one page) outlining your interest, experience, and what you would like to contribute to the group; and
- a curriculum vitae (maximum one page).

Please send your application to CIMUSET Vice-Chair, Jacob Thorek Jensen, jtj@tekniskmuseum.dk by 31st of July 2026.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome by the beginning of September 2026.

We look forward to welcoming new colleagues from around the world to help advance decolonisation and recognition within science and technology museums.