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Dear Wood family,

The deadline for applications for the ICWCT 2020 is coming up – please do pass on the message to any friends or colleagues who might be interested!

The International Course on Wood Conservation Technology (ICWCT) 2020 – Application deadline 30th September!

Every other year since 1984 the International Course on Wood Conservation Technology (ICWCT) has been organised by Riksantikvaren - The Norwegian Directorate for Cultural Heritage. The course is held in cooperation with ICCROM and NTNU (the Norwegian University of Science and Technology).

The aim of ICWCT is to promote cultural understanding and research in the field of wood conservation, and to be a resource for the work of the individual participants. The course is directed towards professionals who have been working for a minimum of three years within the field of wood conservation.

The course curriculum includes distinct but interconnected units covering aspects of: properties of wood; factors affecting the decay of wood; principles of conservation, preventive conservation; paint and surface treatment, conservation of wooden objects and furniture as well as wooden buildings and structures.

The next ICWCT will be held in 2020 and is divided in two main components:

1. **On-line distance learning: 14 April – 26 May 2020:** A 6-week compulsory on-line introductory section where participants will have access to a digital platform from their respective home countries. Allow for at least 5 hours per week of interactive preparatory study with various exercises and papers to be submitted.
2. **Workshop in Oslo: 2 – 26 June 2020:** A 4-week full-time course in Oslo, Norway. The course includes lectures, practical conservation exercises, field studies, museum visits and excursions.

Please see the following links for more information:

<https://www.riksantikvaren.no/en/Wood-Conservation-Course>

Or on ICCROM's website: <https://www.iccrom.org/courses/19th-international-course-wood-conservation-technology-icwct-2020>

Note that the deadline for applications is 30th September 2019!

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