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Museum and its Responsibilities



 Registration open for the **CIMAM 2016 Annual Conference** (International Committee for Museums and Collections of Modern Art), to be held 18–20 November 2016 in Barcelona, Spain. The theme is: *Museum and Its Responsibilities* Global environment surrounding museums of modern and contemporary art has been continuously complex and diverse. The CIMAM Annual Conference is one of the most important gathering occasions for museum professionals to exchange ideas and discuss crucial issues to question its roles today. Following intensive debates from previous conferences, CIMAM Annual Conference 2016 would like to address Museum and Its Responsibilities, a fundamental and ontological question for CIMAM, from different perspectives around the world. With the growing number of biennales, art fairs and other events of modern and contemporary art developing under respective political, economical and social contexts in the last decades, should museums be aware of any changes in their fundamental role and responsibilities? What responsibilities do museums have for the different communities and their audiences both locally and globally? What are the professional responsibilities in terms of the institutional and individual ethics within the given funding and operational models of the museum? Does the funding model of the museum influence its social and artistic responsibility? What is the responsibility of the curators within their respective institutions while supporting artists' freedom of expression? And what would be the responsibility of the museum when it comes to collection building, collection display, (re)writing Art History and archiving materials which might be lost in time otherwise? The Conference will break down these major questions into thematic areas of discussion around which the three daily sessions will rotate. [Conference programme Registration](#) (closes 30 September 2016) Note: for previous CIMAM conferences, a [Travel Grant programme](#) has been offered to support participation of contemporary art professionals residing in countries with Emerging Market and Developing Economies. Please check the CIMAM website for updates on any grants available for 2016 conference.

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