



## SAWA 2023

January 23<sup>rd</sup> to December 11<sup>th</sup> 2023

### Preliminary Program Schedule

Each year the **SAWA** program addresses essential museological questions such as

- What is a museum in local and International perspectives?
- What are participative strategies for past and present in collecting and documenting?
- How do we move from single to shared authorship with Curatorial strategies?
- How do we enable access, engagement and interpretation?

This year we will look at it through the lens of climate change and its consequences for the field to become more sustainable.

The program's core consists of two on-site workshops, each lasting eleven days:

One in Sharjah and one in Berlin. These 2-week-workshops are linked by seven online seminars and framed by an online welcome & introduction as well as a wrap up & farewell. Participants will exchange knowledge throughout the program and contribute to ongoing projects published via the SAWA website (<https://sawa.htw-berlin.de/glossary/> and <https://sawa.htw-berlin.de/objects-in-dialogue/>) Each on-site workshop consists of 4 modules. Each module's content is jointly developed and taught by an Arab-European teaching team and pairs short inspirational impulses with hands on exercises. Theoretical input is always reassessed in practice-orientated group work. It allows the participants to gain insights not only into the practice of the Sharjah Museums and the State Museums of Berlin, but also to actively exchange around best practice from each participant's institution.

## Kick Off (ONLINE)

- January 23<sup>rd</sup> daylight savings time: 10 am-1 pm CET/1-3 pm Sharjah  
Welcome, Introduction and Kick Off" Online meeting with lecturers and Participants (2 hours)

## Phase I On-site Workshop in SHARJAH/UAE

- February 12<sup>th</sup> - February 23<sup>rd</sup>  
9 am - 3 pm

	<i>Sun 12<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Mon 13<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Tue 14<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Wed 15<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Thu 16<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Fri 17<sup>th</sup></i>
<b>ARRIVAL</b>	Welcome day	Diversity & Museum	Module 1		Module 2	Independent Study Day
	Getting to know each other		What is a museum? Local versus International perspectives		Participative strategies in Collecting and Documenting	
				Heritage in Sharjah and the UAE		
	Lunch 12 - 1 pm					
		Familiarise with topics				

<i>Sat 18<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Sun 19<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Mon 20<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Tue 21<sup>st</sup></i>	<i>Wed 22<sup>nd</sup></i>	<i>Thu 23<sup>rd</sup></i>	
Module 2	Module 3		Module 4		Evaluation	<b>DEPARTURE</b>
Participative strategies in Collecting and Documenting	Curatorial Strategies: From single to shared authorship		Visitors, Audiences and Communities: An Exploration of Audiences and Interpretation		Presentations Summary & Diaries	
Lunch 12 - 1 pm						
					Certificate and farewell	

## Phase II (ONLINE)

March to September: Online Seminars 11 am-1 pm CET/1-3 pm in Sharjah

A Monday each Month for participants with facilitators (2 hours)

*Topics: e.g. Reflect on Learning - Coaching - Work on Glossary entries*

*Ramadan March 22<sup>nd</sup> - April 20<sup>th</sup>*

- March 13<sup>th</sup> 2 weeks after Sharjah
- April 17<sup>th</sup> 4 weeks
- May 15<sup>th</sup> 5 weeks
- June 26<sup>nd</sup> 9 weeks break
- August 28<sup>th</sup> 1 week till Berlin

## Phase III BERLIN

- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>

9 am - 3 pm

	<i>Mon 4<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Tue 5<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Wed 6<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Thu 7<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Fri 8<sup>th</sup></i>		
<b>ARRIVAL</b>	<i>Getting back together</i>	Module 1	Module 2		Independent Study Day		
	<i>Participants' Presentation of their Museums (- work) &amp; SAWA inspiration and impact</i>	HERITAGE	PARTICIPATIVE STRATEGIES	COLLECTING & DOCUMENTING		Private	
	Lunch 12 - 1 pm					Excursions possible	
<i>Sat 9<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Sun 10<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Mon 11<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Tue 12<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Wed 13<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Thu 14<sup>th</sup></i>		
Module 3		Module 4		Group Work day	GROUP PRESENTATION Oberschöne- weide/ Univ. of Applied science Presentation Outcomes of Assignment	<b>DEPARTURE</b>	
CURATORIAL STRATEGIES	From single to shared authorship	INTERPRETATION & EDUCATION	Communities and Audiences				
Lunch 12 - 1 pm							
					Evaluation		

## Phase IV (ONLINE)

September to November: Online Seminars 11 am-1 pm CET/1-3 pm in Sharjah

A Monday each month for participants with facilitators (2 hours)

Topics: e.g. Coaching - Finalise work on Glossary entries - Reflect on Learning

- September 25<sup>th</sup>
- October 23<sup>rd</sup>
- November 20<sup>th</sup> daylight savings time: 10 am-1 pm CET/1-3 pm Sharjah

## Final Meeting

- December 11<sup>th</sup> SAWA Wrap Up

Please note: This preliminary program might be subject to modifications. The final program will be published once all applications have been reviewed.

### Special Note concerning an alternative program format

Given the world-wide pandemic and the current status of uncertainty about its development, organizers will decide in due course whether to replace the onsite events by an online version. This would imply modifications of the program which would be announced to participants. In the case of a completely virtual event, **SAWA** could support the alumni by covering the costs for sufficient and secured data quantities (software support, no hardware support).