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Private art collections - Orphan Objects Working Group
Sixth session (hybrid)

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ANNOTATED DRAFT AGENDA

1. Opening of the session and welcome by the UNIDROIT Secretariat

2. Adoption of the draft agenda and organisation of the session (Study LXXB- W.G. 6 - Doc. 1)

3. Report on the intersessional work in Sub-Groups:

   - Note on the evolution and current status of Guideline F on **Dispute resolution** (Study LXXB- SG 7 - Doc. 1) and Summary report of the Sub-Group on Dispute resolution (Guideline F) objects (Study LXXB- SG 7 - Doc. 2)

   - Research Note on a potential provenance gap **public display** standard for "orphan" or incompletely documented cultural objects (Study LXXB- SG 6 - Doc. 1) and Summary report of the Sub-Group (Study LXXB- SG 6 - Doc. 2)

4. Discussion on **scientific publication**:

   - Note on the evolution and current draft of Guideline G on [scientific] publication of an 'orphan' cultural object (Study LXXB- W.G. 6 - Doc. 2)

   - Statement regarding the Proposed Guideline on the Scientific Publication of "Orphan" or Incompletely Documented Cultural Objects in Private Collections submitted by the Archaeological Institute of America and the American Society for Overseas Research (Study LXXB- W.G. 6 - Doc. 3)

5. Discussion on other Guidelines and commentary

6. Organisation of future work

7. Other business

ANNOTATIONS TO THE DRAFT AGENDA

Item No. 1 Opening of the session and welcome by the Secretariat

1. The session will be held as a hybrid meeting with both in-person (UNIDROIT Headquarters) and remote participation via Zoom. The session will be opened on Wednesday 30 September 2026, at 9:30 CET.

2. To join the session, participants joining online will receive the link in due course.

Item No. 2 Adoption of the draft agenda and organisation of the session

3. It is proposed that discussions be held as follows:

Day 1	
Discussion	**9:30** – 13:00 CET
Coffee break	11:15 – 11:45 CET
Lunch break	13:00 – 14:30 CET
Discussion	14:30 – 17:00 CET
Day 2	
Discussion	**9:30** – 13:00 CET
Coffee break	11:15 – 11:35 CET
Lunch break	13:00 – 14:00 CET
Discussion	14:00 – 17:00 CET
Day 3	
Discussion	**09:30** – 13:00 CET
Coffee break	11:15 – 11:35 CET
Lunch break	13:00 – 14:30 CET
Discussion	14:30 – **16:00** CET

4. UNIDROIT will be glad to invite all participants to a light lunch at its premises on Thursday 1 October. For the other two days, UNIDROIT will book a restaurant for those who wish to join for the lunch (otherwise the area is full of places where to have any type of lunch).

Item No. 9 Organisation of future work

5. The dates for the seventh session of the Working Group are to be determined (first trimester 2027). However, the Working Group may wish to consider continuing the intersessional work of thematic Sub-Groups.