- 3. The Conference of Parties shall adopt its own rules of procedure.
- 4. The functions of the Conference of Parties shall be, inter alia:
 - (a) to elect the Members of the Intergovernmental Committee;
 - (b) to receive and examine reports of the Parties to this Convention transmitted by the Intergovernmental Committee;
 - (c) to approve the operational guidelines prepared upon its request by the Intergovernmental Committee;
 - (d) to take whatever other measures it may consider necessary to further the objectives of this Convention.

Article 23 Intergovernmental Committee

- 1. An Intergovernmental Committee for the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions, hereinafter referred to as "the Intergovernmental Committee", shall be established within UNESCO. It shall be composed of representatives of 18 States Parties to the Convention, elected for a term of four years by the Conference of Parties upon entry into force of this Convention pursuant to Article 29.
- 2. The Intergovernmental Committee shall meet annually.
- 3. The Intergovernmental Committee shall function under the authority and guidance of and be accountable to the Conference of Parties.
- 4. The Members of the Intergovernmental Committee shall be increased to 24 once the number of Parties to the Convention reaches 50.
- 5. The election of Members of the Intergovernmental Committee shall be based on the principles of equitable geographical representation as well as rotation.
- 6. Without prejudice to the other responsibilities conferred upon it by this Convention, the functions of the Intergovernmental Committee shall be:
 - (a) to promote the objectives of this Convention and to encourage and monitor the implementation thereof;