

## **Theocharis Katrakazis**

### **Statement**

Dear colleagues,

Hereby, I share my interest in running for the governing board of ICCM Foundation for a second consecutive time. In doing so, I wish to continue serving the ICCM community of mosaic conservation practitioners, and help the organisation deliver greater benefit to its members through openness, purposeful presence, and strong interconnectedness. See you in Plovdiv!

*\*Theo Katrakazis engaged for the first time with ICCM as a volunteer at the 12th International Conference in Alghero (Sardinia), and then onwards assisted in the preparation of the 2017 meeting in Barcelona, where he was elected as a Board Member. Following his election, he was entrusted with the role of Treasurer to oversee the financial administration of the Foundation, its procedures and financial reporting.*

### **Short Bio**

I am a conservator by training, with experience in the conservation of archaeological and built heritage. I hold an MSc in Conservation Studies from University College London (UCL), and a BA in Archaeological Conservation from University of West Attica (UNIWA). My professional and research interests include preventive conservation and applied management practices (e.g. risk management), traditional knowledge systems in built heritage, and the ways in which heritage practices contribute to stronger societies. Since 2019, I work as a project-based specialist delivering conservation fieldwork and cultural heritage consultancy services. Prior to that, I was employed at ICCROM to support research activities within the Heritage Science programme, and at ICCROM-Sharjah (Regional Conservation Centre in the UAE) to help with capacity building programme development in the MENA region. I have worked as a teaching assistant for the MSc in Conservation Studies at UCL Qatar, and the BA in Conservation of Cultural Heritage Objects at Gothenburg University. As a practising conservator, I have been involved in the planning and implementation of heritage conservation projects in Southern Europe, Middle East and North Africa region, and Central Asia.