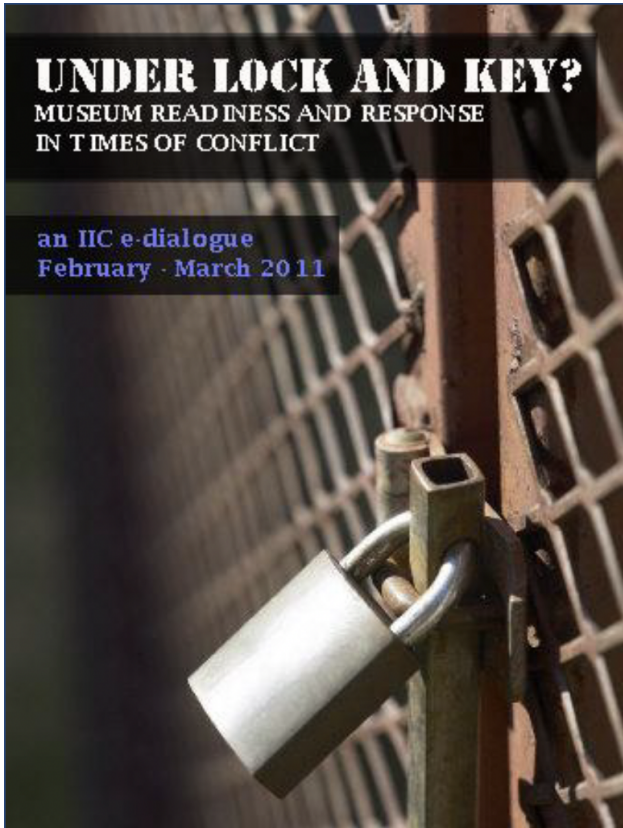


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Recent events around the world have once again focused attention on the vulnerability of heritage sites and collections during times of conflict and unrest. IIC has asked five international colleagues to comment on the need to both plan and implement measures which assure the safety of cultural heritage. Their dialogue, conducted between the 10th of February and the 15th of March 2011, provides significant insight into the dynamic nature of the topic and reminds us that the direct and indirect ramifications of conflict can linger of many months, even years, after the outward aspects have been quelled and resolved. This dialogue raises important questions about how we respond and how we cope with difficult times and difficult decisions. And it serves as a call to all heritage professionals, policy makers and organizations to advocate for the protection of collections, monuments, buildings and sites during times of conflict.

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