

## **ICOMON REPORT 2005 for INC**

President Hortensia von Roten sent the following report:

ICOMON's Twelfth Annual Meeting took place 30 October – 3 November, 2005 under the sponsorship of the Central Bank Museums Foundation in San José, Costa Rica. Our host was Dora Maria Sequeira, director of the Museums of the Central Bank Foundation and Manuel Chacon, curator of the Numismatic Museum. About fifty people attended the conference, representing twenty-four countries. The overall theme of the meeting was "Money, People and Museums". Twenty papers were given. The papers were grouped under the three subtitles: Money as a source for history, Money as a theme for exhibits, Money and Bank Museums as vehicles for education.

The *ICOMON Newsletters* continue to go out in electronic form and in print format to about 300 individuals and institutions in forty-five countries. Editor is former ICOMON President Dick Doty (USA). If you have any news concerning Money and Banking Museums do not hesitate to contact our editor ([dotyr@nmah.si.edu](mailto:dotyr@nmah.si.edu)). ICOMON is furthermore setting up a website which will contain information about ICOMON membership, news, conferences and publications.

The XIIIth Annual Meeting of ICOMON will take place in Frankfurt a.Main in Germany on 7 September 2006. The Meeting is being hosted by the Deutsche Bundesbank. Organizer will be Dr. Heike Winter. The overall theme is "Culture, Politics and Crime – How do Money Museums deal with bigger issues". We will focus on questions concerning the challenge for Money and Banking Museums of presenting controversial themes and the opportunity to awaken public interest in themes from the history of money. Members and non-members are welcome. For more information see: [www.geldmuseum.de](http://www.geldmuseum.de) (from March 2006).