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Statement from the Director on the Final report of the Institute of Ethnology CAS

Dear chairman,
Dear members of the evaluation committee,

We wish to thank you very much for your time and effort to evaluate the Institute of Ethnology (IE). We appreciate the feedback that gives us a useful tool to recognize our weaknesses and mobilize our strengths for the future. The critique is constructive and enables us to think how to make improvements. The most important point is your conviction that the transformation of the IE, which started just a few years ago, is going in a good direction. It is a pleasure to learn that most of the changes make sense to the outsiders and all the energy we put into the transformation process did not go in vain.

We also wish to thank you very much for consideration and reflection of several observations and points raised in the Director's Statement on the preliminary version of the report.

Thus, we do not have any objection to the evaluation and consider it to be fully in compliance with “Methodology of evaluation of research and professional activity of research-oriented institutes of the Czech Academy of Sciences for the period 2015–2019”.

Yours sincerely,

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