

Call for «Intercultural Tandem» projects

In connection with its «Intercultural Society» initiative, the Swiss Arts Council Pro Helvetia is seeking projects relating to intercultural opening, which are to be conducted in tandem with specialists in the field.

With its call for «Intercultural Tandem» projects, Pro Helvetia aims to support publicly sponsored Swiss cultural institutions and organisations from all arts disciplines that wish to launch strategic projects in connection with interculturalism. The projects are to enable them to gain new perspectives, working methods, diversity-related competencies and a more multifaceted network.

Eligible for application are cultural institutions and organisations aiming to address the topic of interculturalism with a view to their own operational structure, and do so with the help of an external expert. In connection with a concrete project, such institutions, if selected, will receive a contribution towards the costs of a mandated specialist or specialised organisation that has the expertise required for the development of intercultural approaches.

Conditions

- Eligible for application are publicly sponsored Swiss cultural institutions and organisations from all arts disciplines (theatres, museums, orchestras, professional associations, etc.).
- Institutions that apply are to collaborate with a suitable specialist or specialist organisation of their choice. The latter's expert knowledge and experience, the goals of the project, and the jointly selected methods of procedure must be plausibly outlined in the dossier submitted.
- The specialist input can be provided by an individual or an organisation.
- The specialist or specialist organisation's role may differ depending on the type of project, and is to be defined (with reasons given) in the dossier by the project team itself, for example consultant, coach, expert in daily activities, linking person, scout, agent, etc.
- «Intercultural tandems» can have a variety of goals. These have to be specified in detail in the dossier. Examples include conducting topic-related research, developing concepts, building networks, scouting art practitioners, or providing additional training for staff.
- An «intercultural tandem» must function at a strategic level and aim for an intercultural opening of the institution in question.
- An «intercultural tandem» should be co-financed by the institution itself and, if possible, by a third party as well. The maximum amount granted by Pro Helvetia per project is CHF 15,000.
- Not eligible for support in this context are: concepts for and the realisation of cultural outreach and art projects; projects that are not connected to migration.

Submission

The complete dossier must be submitted via www.myprohelvetia.ch by 1 March 2019 at the latest.

The dossier submitted must contain:

- a detailed description of the project, including time schedule;
- precise information on the goals and the anticipated impact of the project and on the collaboration with the specialist or specialist organisation selected;
- extensive documentation regarding the specialist or organisation collaborating in the project, and information on their role and required expert knowledge or skills during the entire course of the project;
- cost proposal by the specialist or specialist organisation involved;
- project budget and financing plan, including information regarding the possible participation of third parties.

The decision will be made by an external jury and will be communicated by mid-June 2019.

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