

Lobbying and Meetings

Platform on the potential of cultural and creative industries

Last month, the board members of the platform met on three occasions- the 7th, 15th and 20th of May - and again on the 3rd of June, to put the finishing touches to the final document of recommendations which will be adopted at the plenary session on June 10th. The final document will be sent shortly.

EMO Meetings

On the 15th of May, the general assembly, board and platform meetings took place at SABAM in Brussels. The minutes from these meetings will be sent to all members shortly

Projects

Diversidad funding

On the 5th of May, EMO received confirmation from the Commission that the extended 3-year Diversidad urban culture forum had been accepted for funding of close to 1 million euro.

EU-ACP

EMO assisted the Bureau Export de la Musique Africaine (BEMA) to apply for EU funding through the EU-ACP support programme to cultural industries in ACP and was accepted for project funding last month amounting to 380,000 euro.

Region Conference

A project focusing on the 2-year Region conference in Budapest, the mobility of eastern European artists and the cooperation between eastern and western professionals to begin in 2010, was submitted to the Commission on the 15th of May in the framework of the call for mobility projects EAC/09/2009. The results of the application are due to be released in September 2009 with EMO and its partners seeking a total of 238,610.00 euro in financing.

Compilation "Sounds of Revolution"

On the 9th of May, the "Sounds of Revolution" compilation was released in conjunction with European Day. The album, on which EMO worked as an advisor to the European Commission – DG Communication, features songs about the fall of the Berlin Wall from the new Member States and Germany

ETEP and ETS

The ETS and ETEP projects were discussed in detail at the Platform meeting on the 15th of May with the objective of submitting applications in October in the framework of the Culture programme.

Events

RE: NEW MUSIC

After five productive years of founding the project, establishing its partnerships and constructing its pillars for a sustained future, RE:NEW MUSIC's 90 new music projects will unfold throughout its 11 European countries over the next 17 months up until November 2010. For more information, log on to www.renewmusic.org

Final event and EMC annual Conference, Athens. Greece

This year's EMC Annual Conference, final event of the three year EU cooperation project ExTra! Exchange Traditions" examined different topics concerning the musical dimension of immigration and multiculturalism. It took place in the Theocharakis Foundation in Athens, Greece and was co-organised with the Greek ExTra! partner En Chordais. 75 participants from all over Europe and beyond discussed how culture and music can help to integrate ethnic minorities in a sensitive and respectful way.

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