

GCRP 2023 Call for Participants

FAQs

- **Which countries are eligible to apply for the open call?**

The Global Cultural Relations Programme (GCRP) is open to participants from all over the world, so **all countries** are eligible to participate.

To ensure a fair geographical balance, we expect the majority of the selected participants to come from non-EU countries.

- **In which language will the programme be delivered?**

The GCRP will be delivered in **English**. Translation into other languages is not foreseen at the moment.

- **Will the programme take place online or in person?**

GCRP 2023 will take place **in person**, in Madrid, Spain. Travel and accommodation costs during the programme days will be covered by the CRP.

- **When will the programme take place?**

The GCRP will take place from 10 – 13 October 2023 (Tuesday to Friday).

Participants should also allow time for travel to and from Madrid.

- **What is the timeline of the programme?**

The timeline of the programme is as follows:

- **9 October (Monday):** arrival in Madrid, Spain
- **10 – 13 October:** four full days of peer-to-peer learning, knowledge sharing, and discussions on interdisciplinary cross-cultural collaboration
- **13 October (Fri):** close of programme
- **14 October (Sat):** departure from Madrid, Spain

- **When will I be notified about the result of my application?**



The call for applications will be closed on 26 May 2023 and the selection process will take place during the month of June. Successful participants will be informed about their selection by early July at the latest via email from the Cultural Relations Platform team. Selected participants will be given one week to confirm their acceptance; if the Cultural Relations Platform team does not receive the confirmation within the week, the place in the programme will be given to another applicant.

Please note that due to the high number of applications, we will only be able to notify the successful candidates.

- **Do I need to be available for the entire duration of the programme?**

Participants need to commit to actively participate in the programme for the full day, every day between 10-13 October 2023.

- **I am older/younger than the age range provided, may I still apply for the programme?**

The programme is targeted towards participants aged from 25 to 39 years old. If you are slightly younger or older than the age range provided, you may still apply in case there are a few places left but priority will be given to applicants aged from 25 to 39 years old.

- **I don't meet all the criteria outlined on your website. Can I still apply?**

We will only consider applications from people working in the cultural and creative sectors and/or people working in climate change and environmental issues.

If you work in either sectors but don't meet all the criteria (e.g. you do not have three years of international work experience), we will still consider your application, although priority will be given to those who meet all the criteria.

- **I am a professional already working in the intersection of the cultural and creative sectors and climate change and environmental issues. Am I eligible to apply?**

With the new cross-sectoral approach to GCRP, the objective is to bring together cultural and creative professionals with an annual thematic sector, with GCRP2023 inviting professionals working in climate change and environmental issues. As the objective is to bring together professionals from these two sectors to engage in peer-to-peer learning, priority will be given to participants working in either the cultural and creative sectors or climate change and environmental issues.

Professionals already working in the intersection of both are eligible to apply, however priority will be given to those working in either of the sectors.



- **I was selected for the programme but did not confirm my acceptance in time. What happens then?**

For GCRP2023, we will be informing selected participants via email of their acceptance around early to mid-July. We will be asking all selected participants to confirm their acceptance and participation in the programme within 1 week of being informed of their selection. If we do not receive this confirmation within 1 week, the position will be given to another participant.

- **What costs will be paid for by the CRP?**

The CRP will book and pay for travel to and from Madrid, accommodation from 9 to 14 October 2023 and any expenses during the programme hours (such as catering).

If you choose to extend your stay in Madrid, you will need to pay for all related expenses for any additional days.

- **How does the CRP encourage sustainable travel for selected participants? Does the CRP offer any green incentives for participants who wish to travel overground?**

The CRP encourages whenever possible and when feasible overground and sustainable means of travel to reach Madrid for selected participants of the programme. For participants who have the means to travel overground to participate in GCRP, the CRP team can discuss on a case-by-case basis on additional green incentives such as a higher reimbursement capacity for overground travel, the possibility of covering any necessary overnight accommodation during longer travel periods, etc.

- **Will you provide financial support for visas to travel to Spain?**

Yes, we will cover the costs of visas and any related paperwork. However, we cannot be liable to cover the costs of any international health insurance you may be required to purchase as part of the visa application process.

- **How will my participation in the programme be affected by Covid-19 regulations, and what support will you provide?**

Because the situation is constantly shifting, and varies greatly from country to country, we can't provide detailed information on this yet. We are monitoring any developments and local regulations, and will discuss this with all participants closer to the start date of the programme.

- **What should I do if my question isn't answered here?**

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