Communications pack

Call for Applications: GCRP 2023

Have you ever thought about how to bring an interdisciplinary and cross-sectoral practice to your work? Have you ever been interested in engaging meaningfully with professionals from another sector to learn from each other and address global challenges?

The Global Cultural Relations Programme (GCRP), the Cultural Relations Platform’s flagship training programme, is a unique opportunity that brings together practitioners from around the world to create meaningful connections and discuss cross-cultural collaborations. We’re announcing a shift in focus for the upcoming edition of GCRP. The past editions were tailored for cultural and creative professionals. For the 2023 edition of GCRP, the Cultural Relations Platform opens the programme also to participants working in the field of climate change and environmental issues.

Apply now for the opportunity to develop lifelong skills, increase your knowledge, build your international network, and engage in interdisciplinary cross-cultural collaboration.

This year the GCRP will take place in Madrid, Spain from 10 – 13 October 2023. The programme will be conducted in English.

Who can take part in the GCRP?

- Cultural and creative sector professionals
  * This includes but is not limited to:
    - Architecture
    - Audiovisual & Cinema
    - Books & Publishing
    - Cultural heritage
    - Cultural management
    - Design
    - Media
    - Music
    - Performing arts
    - Visual arts

- Professionals working in the field of climate change and environmental issues
  * This includes but is not limited to:
    - Circular economy
    - Climate & health
    - Climate adaptation
    - Climate charities, campaigns & activist groups
    - Climate finance
    - Climate heritage
    - Climate justice
    - Climate law & policy
    - Climate mitigation
    - Environmental engineering
    - Geography (physical, human, environmental)
Indigenous groups & stewards of community-owned heritage
Loss and damage
Sustainable food systems

Why take part in the GCRP?

• Build your skills in interdisciplinary and cross-cultural collaborations through a carefully designed, innovative, and interactive learning programme
• Network and collaborate with professionals from around the world, facing similar challenges and opportunities
• Connect with young practitioners and change-makers working in the field of culture or in climate change to engage in peer-to-peer learning
• Engage in in-depth discussions on the intersectionality of culture and climate change and environmental issues to identify strengths in bringing together the two sectors for future collaborations
• Join the Cultural Relations Platform’s community of 220 GCRP alumni on a long-term basis.

Who are we looking for?

• The Cultural Relations Platform is looking for 40 professionals and entrepreneurs working in the cultural and creative sectors or in climate change and environmental issues. We are prioritising participants working in either of these two sectors.
• You should be aged 25-39, with at least three years’ experience in international collaboration
• You could work for a public, private or civil society organisation, or be a freelancer
• You will need to be able to commit to the programme throughout its duration from 10-13 October 2023 and allow time for travel to and from Madrid.

Timeline:
• Early to mid-July: Selected participants are informed via email
• September: Selected participants are announced online
• Monday 9 October: Participants arrive in Madrid
• Tuesday 10 October – Friday 13 October: Four full days of programming
• Saturday 14 October: Participants departure from Madrid

How to apply

Find out more and apply HERE by midnight Central European Summer Time (CEST), Sunday 28 May 2023.

The read-only application form is also available to download in PDF here. Applications will only be accepted if submitted via the link above.

The application form must be completed in English. Applications submitted in another language will not be considered. Applications from those not working in the cultural and creative sectors or in climate change and environmental issues will not be considered.

The Cultural Relations Platform remains committed to providing accessible services and support to people with disabilities and reduced mobility (including accessible venue and accommodation
selection, travel-related requirements) as well as for access requirements for programme participation (such as hearing or visual support and adaptations for neurodiversity).

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