

Culture and the SDGs *enhancing creative cross-sectoral collaborations*

FAQs

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

The call is open to professionals in the cultural and creative industries or preferably be working in the sectors of education, environment, or policy (participants from other sectors of work are welcome to apply) from **all over the world**, so all countries are eligible to participate.

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

The *Culture and the SDGs: enhancing creative cross-sectoral collaborations* will be delivered in **English**.

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

The *Culture and the SDGs: enhancing creative cross-sectoral collaborations* will take place **online** and **in person**, in Istanbul, Turkey. Travel and accommodation costs during the programme days will be covered by the Culture and Sustainability Lab.

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

The *Culture and the SDGs: enhancing creative cross-sectoral collaboration* will take place **online** between 24. August and 8. September (2 – 3 online session, exact dates tbc) and **in person** from **12 – 16 September 2022** (Monday to Friday). Participants should also allow time for travel to and from Istanbul.

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

Wednesday 24. August – Thursday 8. September: 2 – 3 online sessions (exact dates tbc)

Sunday 11. September: arrival in Istanbul

Monday 12. – Friday 16. September: four and a half days of residency programme

Friday 16. September: close of the residency programme in the morning and departure in the afternoon/evening

The call for applications will be closed at the end of June and the selection process will take place during the first two week in July.

Successful participants will be informed about their selection by the middle of July.

Please note that we will only notify the successful candidates.

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

Participants need to commit to active participation in the online (2 – 3 sessions between 24. August and 8. September 2022 (exact dates tbc)) and residency programme (every day between 12 – 16 September).

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

The project is targeted towards cultural practitioners or professionals working in the sectors of education, environment, or policy (participants from other sectors of work are welcome to apply) aged from 25 to 40 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 40 years old.

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

We will only consider applications from professionals in the cultural and creative industries or ones working in the sectors of education, environment, or policy (participants from other sectors of work are welcome to apply). If you work in the abovementioned sectors but don't meet all the criteria (e.g., you haven't worked there for three years), we will still consider your application, although priority will be given to those who meet all the criteria.

- **What costs will be paid for by the Culture and Sustainability Lab (CSL)?**

The CSL will book and pay for travel to and from Istanbul, accommodation from 11 to 16 September and any programme-related expenses during the programme. If you choose to extend your stay in Istanbul, you will need to pay for expenses and accommodation for the additional days.

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

Yes, we will cover the costs of visas.

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

Because the situation has been improving over the past months, still not entirely stable and varies greatly from country to country, we can't provide detailed information on this yet. We are monitoring 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?**

Get in touch with us at application@cultureandsustainabilitylab.org.