A Cultural Deal for Europe

A central place for culture in the EU's post-pandemic future

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Joint Statement by Europa Nostra, Culture Action Europe and the European Cultural Foundation

Dear Colleagues and Partners,

We are pleased to share with you an important follow-up to the "**Cultural Deal for Europe**" online debate, which took place on 18 November hosted jointly by **Europa Nostra**, also on behalf of the **European Heritage Alliance**, **Culture Action Europe** and the **European Cultural Foundation**. The aim of this successful online event was to discuss the strategic ways of putting culture where it belongs: at the heart of the European project.

On November 18, more than 500 viewers followed the high-profile online discussion with contributions by representatives of EU institutions, Member States, major pan-European cultural and heritage networks as well as civil society. Based on the fruitful and inspiring discussions held on this occasion, the three organising partners have launched today a **Joint Statement** entitled **A Cultural Deal for Europe: A central place for culture in the EU's post-pandemic future**.

We are pleased to share with you this Joint Statement, calling EU and national policymakers to commit to an ambitious #CulturalDealEU, an umbrella strategy for reviving and reimagining Europe through culture and cultural heritage.

Our Joint Statement puts forward an overarching and transversal **Cultural Deal for Europe**, including a series of concrete proposals for realising the potential of culture and heritage as major forces in the EU's socio-economic recovery and its long-term future.

Our Joint Statement highlights the importance of mainstreaming culture and heritage across all policy fields: from the green transition to Europe's geopolitical ambition, and from the digital shift to a value-driven Union. It bundles together both short-term and long-term perspectives. It eyes the immediate recovery of our societies with the ambition to build a new paradigm for designing the Future of Europe.

With best regards on behalf of the partners behind this ambitious initiative,

Sneška Quaedvlieg-Mihailović,
Secretary General, Europa Nostra

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