

# Creative Europe Networks

## Focus Meeting #2

### Heritage for the Future

27 September 2023 • Venice

Hosted by Europa Nostra,  
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# Introduction

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The European Commission and its European Education and Culture Executive Agency took the initiative to put in place a series of “Focus Meetings” to discuss key policy issues linked to the objectives of the Creative Europe Programme and other challenges that Europe faces today. These meetings which will take place throughout 2023 are organised in partnership with a leading Network, or with a group of Networks with the required expertise. They are primarily open to all interested Creative Europe networks, but could also involve interested Creative Europe-funded platforms or projects.

The first Focus Meeting took place in Lyon (France) on the theme of Independence & Youth and was co-organised and hosted by the Reset! Network.

This second Focus Meeting will take place in Venice (Italy) at the occasion of the European Cultural Heritage Summit 2023. It will create a space for dialogue and exchanges on the theme of ‘European values, citizenship and sense of belonging through cultural heritage’. It will be co-organised and hosted by Europa Nostra in the magnificent premises of the Venice Gardens Foundation, winner of an European Heritage Award / Europa Nostra Award 2023 in category Conservation and Adaptive Reuse.

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# Draft Agenda

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→ **European values, citizenship and sense of belonging through cultural heritage**

**27 September 2023 - Venice**

**Venue: Giardini Reali di Venezia, P.za San Marco, 30124 Venezia ([map](#))**

**Moderator: Jimmy Jamar, Head of the Brussels Office of Europa Nostra**

**9:00 - 9:15**

**REGISTRATION**

**9:15 - 9:30**

**OPENING SESSION**

**Welcome by:**

- **Adele Re Rebaudengo**, President of [Venice Gardens Foundation](#), winner of an European Heritage Award / Europa Nostra Award 2023 in category Conservation and Adaptive Reuse
- **Alejandro Ramilo** on behalf of the European Education and Culture Executive Agency
- **Jimmy Jamar or Sneška Quaedvlieg-Mihailovic** on behalf of Europa Nostra

**09:30 - 10:15**

**PRESENTATION OF THE EC REPORT**

**“CULTURE AND DEMOCRACY - THE EVIDENCE”**

by **Angelos Agalinos**, Senior Policy Officer, DG EAC, European Commission

**Initial Discussion in reaction to the EC Report**

**10:15 - 10:45 COFFEE BREAK**

**10.45 - 12.15**

**INSPIRATIONAL AWARD-WINNING PRACTICES**

**Followed by the continuation of the exchange of views with Networks**

[Museum of Literature Ireland \(MoLI\)](#), Ireland, winner of an European Heritage Award / Europa Nostra Award 2023 category Citizens Engagement and Awareness-raising

*MoLI operates as a new, values-driven museum with a mission to engage everyone, particularly those who may not typically engage with the literary artform. This community museum in Dublin has established itself as a strong advocate for engagement and inclusivity. Through educational programmes, broadcasts and lectures, they effectively reach diverse communities, including marginalised groups with a solid methodology and a strong bottom-up approach.*

[A.R.A. - Architecture.Restoration.Archaeology](#), Romania, winner of the first Costa Carras European Citizens Awards for the Safeguard of Endangered Cultural and Natural Heritage 2023

*ARA – the Association Architecture. Restoration. Archaeology was established in 2006, as a non-governmental, and not-for-profit organisation, with the mission to help rescue and preserve cultural heritage, relying on the joint contribution of research, professional practice, and community action. Since its first moments ARA began to be involved in the struggle to save Roşia Montană, the famous ancient gold mining site threatened by new extensive open-cast mining development. In its sixteen years of actions developed on the ground in Roşia Montană, and advocating for it in and outside Romania, ARA has succeeded to build a network of people and to save and restore historic buildings and works, creating a continuously increasing emulation and impact. Ten years ago, its flagship project was born, Adopt a House at Roşia Montană, and a community started to grow around it, both locally and remotely.*

**12.15 - 12.30**

**WRAP-UP AND CLOSING REMARKS**

- **Alejandro Ramilo**, Creative Europe programme representative
- **Jimmy Jamar** or **Sneška Quaedvlieg-Mihailovic** on behalf of Europa Nostra

**12.30 LUNCH**

**13.30 DEPARTURE OF VAPORETTOS**

from **Riva degli Schiavoni-Cornoldi** to **Fondazione Giorgio Cini** for the **Excellence Day** - Presentations by the Winners of the 2023 European Heritage Awards / Europa Nostra Awards