

Guidelines and Regulations for the Open Call for Maltese Performing Artists to become part of IETM



International network for contemporary performing arts

Arts Council Malta invites applications from Maltese/Malta based individuals or representatives of organisations, between the ages of 25 till 45, that work in, or across any of the following disciplines: Theatre, Dance, Circus, Interdisciplinary live art forms and New Media.

For successful applicants, Arts Council Malta will cover the IETM 2024 membership, including the participation in one of the IETM 2024 events.

For 2024 IETM events see the following: <https://www.ietm.org/en/events>



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What Is IETM?

IETM is the International network for contemporary performing arts. It is a network of over 500 performing arts organisations and individual members working in the contemporary performing arts worldwide: theatre, dance, circus, performance, interdisciplinary live art forms, new media. You can check the full list of IETM members here: <https://www.ietm.org/en/members/list>

IETM hosts one large meeting a year in European cities that include debates, workshops, pitches and networking alongside an artistic programme of international work. It also holds smaller events all over the world. In addition, IETM commission publications and research projects, facilitate communication and distribution of information and advocate for the value of performing arts.

Attending IETM events is the ideal opportunity for creative practitioners who want to make international contacts and broaden their understanding of the global challenges facing the performing arts community in the 21st century. To have an idea of some of IETM's priorities which include a commitment to inclusion and environmental sustainability have a look at the following:

https://www.ietm.org/en/system/files/attachments/page/ideastrategy_ga_in_porto_final_3_e_p.pdf

<https://www.ietm.org/en/resources/policy-papers/ietm-environmental-sustainability-policy>



Why Join IETM?

- Connect with your peers from around the world;
- Enhance the visibility of your activities;
- Publish your news, resources and calls to action on IETM's website and channels;
- Get free access/reduced entrance fee to IETM events;
- Profit from the IETM travel grants after one year of membership (only for category 1 and 2);
- Pitch your projects on site or digitally at IETM events;
- Narrow down your search for partners using IETM's online advanced partners search tool;
- Contribute to IETM's research activities and policy actions;
- Be represented at the EU and International level;
- Stay up to date with what's going on in your sector worldwide.

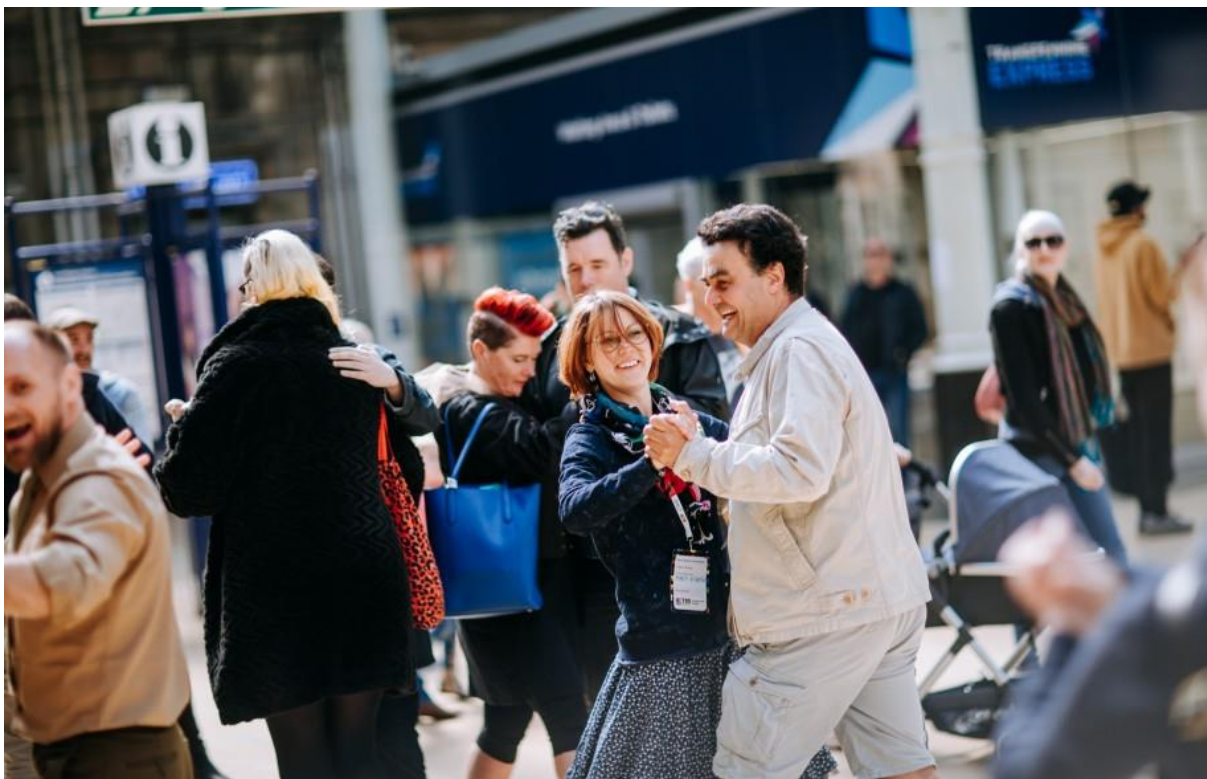


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Allocations

SESSION BUDGET	MAXIMUM ELIGIBLE AMOUNT PER PROPOSAL
EUR 10,000	EUR 2,000

CO-FUNDING	DISBURSEMENT
The fund may cover up to 100% of total project costs	70% upon signing of grant agreement 30% following approval of final report

Timeframes

DEADLINE	RESULTS	ELIGIBLE TIMEFRAME
08 th January 2024	25 th January 2024	01 st March 2024 – 31 st December 2024



Who Can Apply?

Applicants must be Maltese citizens or be in possession of a Maltese residence permit or of a Maltese citizenship certificate or of a Maltese passport. Furthermore applicants must be between the ages of 25 till 45, that work in, or across any of the following disciplines: Theatre, Dance, Circus, Interdisciplinary live art forms and New Media.

Applicants may be:

- Creative professionals/individual artists
- Entities registered with the Malta Business Registry (including companies, partnerships, foundations and organisations/associations)
- Groups, collectives and consortia
- Registered cooperatives
- Voluntary Organisations enrolled with the Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations.

Applicants must be available to travel for any of the IETM events in 2024.

How To Apply

Follow these steps:

1. Read these guidelines and regulations very carefully.
2. Check whether your application can be addressed by this opportunity.
3. Press the [link](#) that will take you to the online application system.
4. If you do not have a profile, register your profile with Arts Council Malta by clicking on Register and filling in the details.
5. From the open calls section, select the online application for this opportunity.
6. Follow the instructions step by step. Fill in all the required information from the online application including the budget and attach the supporting documentation.
7. Submit the application. You should be receiving an automatic acknowledgement by the system. If you do not receive such a notification, contact us on applyforfunds@artscouncil.mt.

In case of difficulty or if you would like to consult us regarding this opportunity, you can call us on 2334 7230 Monday to Friday between 09:00 and 16:00 or email us on fundinfo@artscouncil.mt.

It is your responsibility to present a complete application form as explained in these guidelines and regulations. If you do not present all the necessary information and documentation, your application will not be processed and evaluated.

What Costs Can Be Covered?

This grant may cover up to 100% of the following costs (up to a maximum of €2,000 per application, whichever is the lowest).

- IETM membership fee to cover the year 2024
- Standard accommodation, excluding long-term accommodation or part of
- Standard (economy class) travel, including air travel, public transport, vehicle rental etc
- Travel Insurance
- Participation fees for IETM performances and events, not exceeding two hundred euros (€200).

IETM Membership Fee

The annual IETM membership fee is based on the annual turnover of your organisation / freelance activities.

	Annual turnover	Annual membership fee
Cat. 1	under € 50.000	€ 125
Cat. 2	from € 50.000 to € 100.000	€ 309
Cat. 3	from € 100.000 to € 230.000	€ 477
Cat. 4	from € 230.000 to € 750.000	€ 650
Cat. 5	over € 750.000	€ 965

For more information kindly see here: <https://www.ietm.org/en/members/join>



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Arts Council Malta's Evaluation Board Will Base Its Decision Upon The Following Criteria

- What is your interest in becoming a member of IETM? (40 marks)
- Why would joining IETM be useful to you at this point in your career? (30 marks)
- Do you plan to attend IETM events abroad in 2024? If yes, kindly provide details. (30 marks)
- Have you attended an IETM meeting previously? If this is the case, why are you keen to attend again?

This is a competitive opportunity and will be evaluated by a panel of sectorial experts according to the established criteria.

As specified above, each criterion is allocated a number of specific marks. In order to be considered for funding, proposals have to obtain an average of at least 60 marks.

Nevertheless, the evaluation session and funding decisions depend on the quality of the submitted proposals and on the availability of the funds. Therefore, obtaining 60 marks or more does not automatically mean that you will be awarded the funds. The Evaluation Board may decide not to allocate the total funds available for this call if the submitted proposals do not reach the required level in terms of the fund criteria.

You will receive your result notification from Arts Council Malta indicating the marks leading to the Evaluation Board's decision, according to the fund criteria, as indicated on page 4.

The order of classification of the applications, according to the marks allocated by the evaluators, will be published online. Only the names of the successful applications will be published. In the case of applicants which have not been awarded any funds, only their reference number will be published.

If you have any difficulties concerning your results, you should email us on fundinfo@artscouncil.mt within five (5) days of receiving your funding decision.

No information on the evaluation process will be released before the official result notification. Any form of soliciting will automatically disqualify an application.

All information received by the Fund administrators, managers and evaluators will be considered confidential, both during and after the evaluation process. Provisions on data protection and confidentiality for successful applicants will be included in the grant agreement.

Final Report

At the end of the year, you will be required to submit a detailed report highlighting the activities carried out and the achievements, by not later than six (6) weeks after the year is concluded. Arts Council Malta will provide an online template for your report. If relevant, together with this report beneficiaries must submit copies of any relevant marketing, publicity or information material developed during the activities.

You will also be required to present a detailed budget together with relevant VAT invoices / fiscal receipts. The Council retains the right to make use of submitted material. The Council retains the

right to recover funds in case these are not being used and/or are misused and/or are not used according to the submitted budget.

Need Advice?

Arts Council Malta offers pre-submission consultation services to help secure support for your application.

We are there every step of the way. We can help you determine whether the core concept and profile of your application are in line with the targeted support mechanism, and provide feedback on the way you plan to present your application. To make the best of our services, plan ahead and get in touch with us at least four weeks before the submission deadline.

You are welcome to call us on 2334 7230 on weekdays between 09:00 and 16:00 or to send us an email on fundinfo@artscouncil.mt.

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