



# EU-CONEXUS ANNUAL CALL FOR CULTURAL AND ARTISTIC PROJECT PROPOSALS GUIDELINES

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## Introduction

EU-CONEXUS, the European University for Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability (SmUCS) foresees, within the framework of its second phase EU-CONEXUS Plus (2022 – 2026), the organization of two editions of an EU-CONEXUS Festival in La Rochelle (France) 2023 and Limassol (Cyprus) 2025.

Dedicated to arts, culture, sports and scientific culture, EU-CONEXUS Festival aims to reinforce the SmUCS identity of the Alliance and bring together the variety of cultures that constitute it.

This call for cultural and artistic project proposals is open to all students of all universities of EU-CONEXUS. The call seeks to identify and accompany one to two artistic projects per university which will promote and enhance EU-CONEXUS Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability identity.

The projects selected through this call will be presented during the 2023 edition of EU-CONEXUS Festival which will take place in La Rochelle (France) from 28th to 30th March.

## Eligibility to EU-CONEXUS annual call for cultural and artistic projects

The call is open to all EU-CONEXUS students community. The projects submitted can be made individually or in groups.

For group projects, please note that only limited number of students can receive funding for travelling to EU-CONEXUS Festival and presenting the project – the number will depend on each partner university (2 students or more).

Students are strongly encouraged to implement cultural and artistic projects with other students of partner universities of the Alliance.

## Types of cultural and artistic projects to be submitted

Students projects can be of **any kind of artistic disciplines**.

- Visual arts (painting, drawing, design, photography, video, ...)
- Performing arts (music, dance, drama)
- Fashion
- Literature
- ...

Students projects can take **various formats** with an expected duration which is as follows:

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- Concert (up to 3 - 4 songs)
- Artistic walkabout (up to 15 - 20 minutes)
- Performance (up to 15 - 20 minutes)
- Reading (up to 15 - 20 minutes)
- Drama play (up to 15 - 20 minutes)
- Movie/documentary (up to 15 minutes)
- Exhibition
- ...

The project submitted can be a **new project**, a **project already completed**, or **under construction**.

The project submitted can be performed or presented in **national languages or in English**.

If the project submitted needs **technical assistance** (material, equipment...) in order to be finalised and/or presented or performed during EU-CONEXUS Festival (La Rochelle, 28 - 30 March 2023), this can be provided within a budget allowance. Please specify your needs for technical assistance when submitting the project.

Students will be responsible for transporting their project to the venue of EU-CONEXUS Festival. Therefore, all project proposals must respect a “**small or easily self-transported format**” and not require too much logistics or technique. The setting in the place of production should not be too heavy.

## Selection criteria

Cultural and artistic projects will be selected based on the following criteria and out of 10 points:

- Project creativity - 4 points
- Project originality - 3 points
- Relevance to the SmUCS identity of EU-CONEXUS Festival – 2 points
- Inter institutional project with other EU-CONEXUS partners – 1 point

## Selection procedure: 2 levels

Selection procedures will be conducted first, at national level and second, at EU-CONEXUS level.

- **National level**

Nine (9) national juries will be formed, one (1) in each EU-CONEXUS country. The national jury will be composed of university staff members involved in cultural and artistic activities. When possible, - depending on the University -, member(s) of the Arts or Culture Department will be involved.

Depending on the number of applications received, a **maximum of three (3) projects** will be selected per university to be passed on to the EU-CONEXUS level.

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- **EU-CONEXUS level**

One (1) EU-CONEXUS jury will be set up, composed of at least nine (9) members who are EU-CONEXUS representatives in the WP17 « Community engagement through arts and culture ».

**Up to two artistic projects per university** will be selected to be presented or performed during EU-CONEXUS Festival (La Rochelle, 28 - 30 March 2023).

The student(s) whose project have been selected commit to carry it out and to present or perform it during EU-CONEXUS Festival (except in special circumstances such Covid Pandemia, serious illness or injury preventing from travelling, etc.).

Candidates – within the selection process at national or EU-CONEXUS level - may be asked to present their project in person during a physical or online meeting.

## Submission of cultural & artistic projects

Cultural and artistic projects must be submitted on DreamApply:

<https://apply.eu-conexus.eu/courses/course/20>

**Deadline for projects submission is 13 January 2023 at midnight (Brussels time).**

Selection procedures will be held at both levels (national and EU-CONEXUS) from **16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023**.

Students whose projects have been selected will be notified by email, week starting 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023.