

EUROPEAN NETWORK OF CULTURAL CENTRES

ENCC Second European Project Fair of Cultural Centres

Riga/ Latvia, 3rd to 5th Oct. 2007

**“BRINGING CULTURES TOGETHER –
APPROXIMATION THROUGH EXCHANGE”**



Bundesvereinigung
Soziokultureller
Zentren e.V.



Almost a year has passed since we have held the first European Project Fair in Vienna, one of ENCCs most successful activities in 2006. Realized in cooperation with the Austrian national ENCC member association “IG Kultur Österreich”, the event brought almost 80 participants from 16 European countries together.

Now, we are very delighted to announce the

**Second European Project Fair of Cultural Centres
taking place from 3rd to 5th October 2007 in Riga, Latvia.**

Besides the invaluable opportunity to directly exchange know-how, to share different project experiences as well as to build up new contacts for possible joint projects in the future in a pleasing atmosphere, the ENCC prepared an ambitious programme that goes along with the fair. Just a few highlights: By participating in the fair, you will get an overview about what culturally matters in the Baltic States. We will discuss and share experiences about good practices in association networking, cross-border projects and Europe-wide staff exchange programmes. Furthermore, funding will be an important topic. Staff members of cultural centres from all over Europe will let you know, how they make their municipalities pay for the centre's activities.

ENCC wants to promote European cooperation and exchange of projects, staff and artists. Thereby, our special aim is to use the opportunity in Riga to focus on concrete coordination and agreement about joint activities in 2008; i.e. in the field of staff exchange, the improvement of the Europe-wide networking, the professionalisation and qualification of national networks, etc.

The invited speakers are coming from a broad range of backgrounds – political decision makers, many representatives of different cultural centres, umbrella organisations, institutions with important knowledge about funding opportunities above all regarding EU programmes etc.

This year, the Latvian Association of Cultural Centres, which is the Latvian member association of ENCC, is organising the European Project Fair together with the ENCC and in cooperation with the Bundesvereinigung Soziokultureller Zentren e.V., the German national member association of ENCC.



The event is supported by the European Union budget line "Support to organisations which promote European Culture".

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 3rd October

14:00 – 18:00 Registration and preparation of project presentations

18:00 – 18:15 Opening of the European Project Fair 2007
Ilona Asare, Latvian Cultural Centres Association
Andreas Kämpf, President of the European Network of Cultural Centres

18:15 – 19:45 **European Cultural Policy, the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue 2008 and the Baltic States – Links and Challenges**

Panel discussion with:

Mayor of Riga

Representative of DG EAC

Representative of the Latvian Ministry of Culture

Representative of the Estonian Ministry of Culture

Bent Blindbaek, Vice-president of ENCC

Moderation: Representative of EFAH

19:45 Reception and different cultural activities in the downtown of Riga

Thursday, 4th October

09:30 – 11:00 **One Question – Five Answers**

Experiences with arguments and policy strategies of cultural centres with:

Ilona Asare, Cesis Culture Centre, Latvia

Cornelia Iber-Rebentisch, Kulturzentrum Seefelder Mühle, Germany

Aleksandra Kielan, Mazowieckie Centrum Kultury i Sztuki, Poland

Francesco Ronzon, ArchèNet, Italy (tbc)

Klaus Schafler, Artist, Kunsthalle Exnergasse, Austria

Moderator: Ivo Peeters, De Zeyp, Belgium

11:30 – 13:00 Presentation of cultural centres

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 16:30 **Workshops 1-3:**

1. National networks of cultural centres

Andrea Brückler, Cultural Centre of Pécs, Hungary (tbc)

Søren Soeborg, Huse i Danmark, Denmark

Representative of the Association of Cultural Centers in Estonia

Moderator: Paul Sergier, Vereniging Vlaamse Cultuur, Belgium

2. Cross-border projects within Europe

Emma Ernst, Trans Europe Halles, Sweden

Bartek Guentzel, The Ochota Cultural Centre, Poland

Bernd Scheda, Kulturzentrum Lagerhaus, Germany

Moderator: Antti Manninen, ENCC board member, Finland

3. Europe-wide staff exchange programmes

Gabi Gerbasits, IG Kultur Österreich, Austria

Sara Kuusi, The City of Helsinki Cultural Office, Finland (tbc)

Arnis Miltins, Cultural centre of Riga, Latvia (tbc)

Moderator: Christiane Ziller, Bundesvereinigung Soziokultureller Zentren, Germany

17:00 Reflecting team followed by open space

18:00 Meeting with representatives of cultural centres of the Baltic States and ENCC followed by ENCC Board Meeting (closed session)



Friday, 5th October

10:00 – 12:00 **How does ENCC support exchange?**

Inputs:

Exchange of staff, artists and youth – ENCC's work programme 2008

Andreas Kämpf, ENCC, Germany

Database for cultural centres Europe-wide

Ivo Peeters, De Zeyp, Belgium

EU funding seminars in 2008

Luis Prada, eufund, Germany

12:00

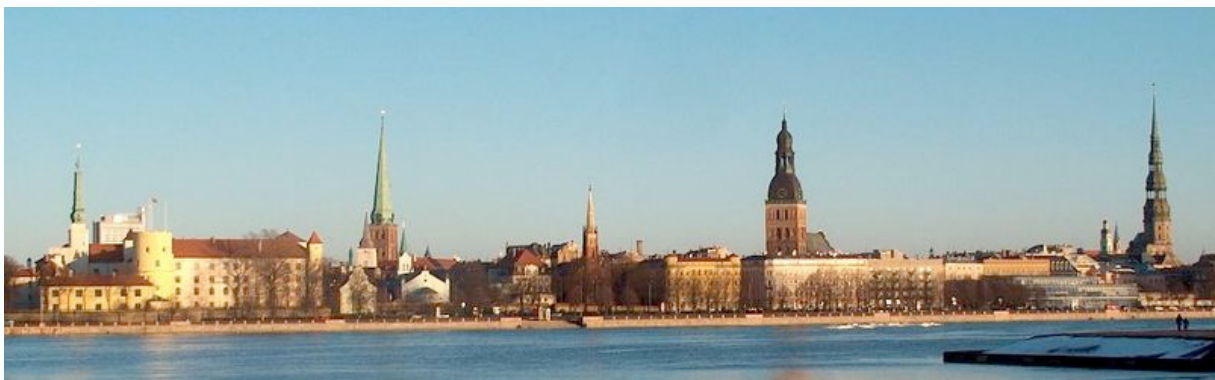
Closing words

Ilona Asare, Latvian Cultural Centres Association

Andreas Kämpf, President of the European Network of Cultural Centres

Afternoon

Guided tour of Riga



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