



ENCATC stands with Ukraine

Help Ukrainian refugee students

ENCATC helps arts and cultural management refugee students

The situation in Ukraine has escalated drastically in the past weeks and we are now witnessing constant and vicious attacks forcing people to flee the country, leaving their belongings and normal lives behind.

Education is at the very heart of ENCATC, and we are devastated to observe the young Ukrainian generations confronted with big decisions to take at such young age. When they should be focusing on building their future through education and training, they are now forced to stop their activity and face a very uncertain future perspective, without a proper economic background.

From ENCATC, **we understood the importance of giving immediate visibility to the conflict from its very start**, fostering the cooperation and collaboration among all European cultural organisations and networks.

Today, 21 March 2022, **we are moving from words to action to support refugee students on arts and cultural management and policy coming from Ukraine through the ENCATC Thomassen Fund scheme.**

This initiative is the ENCATC concrete contribution to the arts and cultural education sector and to the young generation that is particularly affected emotionally and financially by this war. In the occasion of the **European Year of Youth**, we would like to offer this as a contribution to the future and wellbeing of the young refugee students.

We are proud to be joined in this initiative by our partner the Association of Arts Administration Educators (AAAE). We count on you to help our young Ukrainian arts and cultural management and policy students through this dark time! **Let's show them they are not alone!**

Yours,

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ENCATC Secretary General

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How to make donations?

Due to the urgency of the ongoing situation, we have created a simple and efficient application process:

Donations

ENCATC opened a quick donation form to donate via Bank Contact, Paypal, VISA and Mastercard.

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Beneficiaries

The money collected will be regularly transferred to the Academy of Performing Arts in Prague, Theatre Faculty (Czech Republic), who will oversee coordinating the distribution of grants to the refugee students. Universities accepting students at this point include Janáček Academy of Music and Performing Arts in Brno, Academy of Performing Arts in Prague, University of Poznan (Poland), among others.

In order to ensure the transparency of the action, the beneficiary will share a financial and narrative report. The news will be shared through our Ukraine section with all the cultural management and policy education community.

About the ENCATC Thomassen Fund

The Thomassen Fund is a mobility fund aimed at enhancing the participation of central and eastern European cultural management education and training institutions in ENCATC activities, enabling them to cooperate and develop projects by joining in ENCATC networking. The Fund was officially launched in May 1999 following a Board proposal approved by the General Assembly in Uppsala, Sweden in 1998. The Thomassen Fund has supported Ukrainian professionals since its beginning. Learn more in its [Activity Report 1999-2018](#).

About the Association of Arts Administration Educators (AAAE)

AAAE is a membership organization representing the world's leading arts administration programs, all training and equipping students in arts leadership, management, entrepreneurship, cultural policy, and more. AAAE advances an inclusive, equitable, and resilient environment for the arts by supporting arts administration education faculty and programs and serving as a hub for knowledge. For further inquiries on AAAE donations, please contact **Milena Deleva** - mdeleva@artsadministration.org

Help us sharing this initiative!

Your contribution to circulating this new ENCATC initiative is crucial to secure a substantial amount of donations reaches the affected young generation of Ukrainian refugee students.

**If you wish to join and support ENCATC's initiative,
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