

**CALL FOR PROJECTS 2025  
VIDEO ART / DIGITAL ART  
RESIDENCY & INSTALLATION**

**KULTUR ENSEMBLE & FONDAZIONE SANT'ELIA**



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**PALERMO**



KULTUR ENSEMBLE and the FONDAZIONE SANT'ELIA offer a two-month residency in Palermo, Sicily, in January and February 2025, to allow a French-German collective (up to three people) to conduct research and present its work in the field of video art and digital art. The residency is linked to a restitution installation a room fully equipped for video art/digital art at Palazzo Sant'Elia. Cross-disciplinary approaches (video, sound, scientific research, literature) are encouraged. Projects that establish ties to Palermo, Sicily, and the Mediterranean region will be given particular attention.

In Palermo, KULTUR ENSEMBLE is an enhanced cooperation between the Institut français and the Goethe-Institut. Since 2021, it leads an interdisciplinary cultural programme and art residencies.

FONDAZIONE SANT'ELIA aims to promote the diffusion of culture and art as tools for the growth of civil society since 2010. The Foundation's headquarters are in Palazzo Sant'Elia.

## **RESIDENCY PERIOD**

From January 7th to March 9th 2025

## THE RESIDENCY OFFERS

- ▶ Research and production time in the city of Palermo, Sicily, Italy
- ▶ A restitution moment for the project to be displayed in a room fully equipped for video art at Palazzo Sant'Elia (4 VPs, sound system)
- ▶ One return journey between the residents' home and Palermo
- ▶ A grant of 1.500€ per person per month, for a duration of 2 months
- ▶ Accommodation at Palazzo Sant'Elia, in one or two apartments with kitchen and bathroom (depending on the number of project participants), via Maqueda 81, Palermo
- ▶ Access to a shared working space at Palazzo Sant'Elia and at the Cantieri Culturali alla Zisa (La Bottega, a shared studio of 115m2)
- ▶ A budget up to a maximal amount of 1.000€, for research and production expenses of the project. The production budget and eligible expenses are to be previously agreed with the institutes
- ▶ Support in making contacts with the local cultural network and institutions

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ Eligible fields: video art, digital art, combined with sound creation or performing arts, literature, scientific research, humanities and social sciences
- ▶ We accept the following applications:
  - . French-German duo applications (French / German citizenship or residency in France or Germany)
  - . Collective applications, up to three people (with at least two members of the collective being of French and German citizenship or residents in one of the countries; the third member can be of another citizenship)
- ▶ Presenting a project that can be developed and produced in the two months residency time
- ▶ Availability to participate in at least two educational activities (visit, workshop with schools of Palermo)
- ▶ Provide visual material for the communication about their project on the institutions' websites and social media, including the availability to participate in a short video-interview
- ▶ Be free of any other professional commitment during the length of the residency
- ▶ Be able to present an insurance for civil liability for the time of the residency

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

All documents must be sent in a single PDF-file

Applications must be submitted in two versions: one in French or in German, one in English, by September 29th, 2024, midnight, to the email address [kulturensemblepalermo@gmail.com](mailto:kulturensemblepalermo@gmail.com)

- ▶ Curriculum vitae (max. 2 pages per person) of all participants with contact information
- ▶ Project description with details about how the project will be carried out (max. 1 page)
- ▶ Portfolio (max. 5 pages) presenting the applicants' artistic practices or academic/scientific research
- ▶ Reference letters or letters of involved artistic and scientific partners if available

## SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will be presented to an Italian-French-German jury of qualified professionals, who will decide on the grants' attribution in October 2024. Selected candidates will be informed via email. The names of the jury members and the chosen project will be published on social media of Fondazione Sant'Elia, Goethe-Institut Palermo, Institut français Palermo.

For questions about the residency programme and the call for projects, you can contact:

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For further general information about the institutions:

<https://www.fondazionesantelia.it/>

<https://www.goethe.de/ins/it/de/sta/pal/kue.html>

<https://www.institutfrancais.it/palermo/kultur-ensemble-palermo#/>

