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Culture and Creativity | 2023 European Theatre Forum

The 2023 European Theatre Forum “Envisioning the Way Forward”, will bring together organisations and professionals from the theatre sector.

The 2023 European Theatre forum is the flagship event for the European performing arts community in 2023. It follows the previous theatre forum organised in 2020, the successful [Perform Europe](#) pilot (2019-2022) and the [2020 ‘Sectorial support to the theatre sector’ study](#).

Organisers of the forum will propose a roadmap for making Europe’s theatre sector more sustainable, equitable and better equipped to face current and future challenges. The roadmap will build on the 2020 Dresden Declaration.

The forum takes place 11-13 May at the JK Opole Theatre, Opole, Poland.

Objectives of the 2023 European Theatre Forum

The organisers set three goals for the forum so that the theatre sector remains relevant in the future:

- Address the geopolitical and climate-related crises and their implications for the sector.
- Address sustainable, digital and social challenges and practices in the sector.
- Develop and adopt a comparable sustainability assessment tool for the whole sector to measure and reduce its carbon footprint.

Background

The culture strand of the current Creative Europe (2021-2027) programme supports the theatre sector through its cooperation projects, networks and platforms as well as through its mobility funding scheme, Culture Moves Europe.

During the [previous Creative Europe programme \(2014-2020\)](#),

theatre was the second biggest beneficiary among the sectors receiving funding under the Culture strand.

Feedback from project organisers and networks highlighted the need for a more structured approach towards the theatre sector. In response to this the Commission and the German Council Presidency started the European Theatre Initiative and organised the first [European Theatre Forum](#) in November 2020.

Find more information [here](#).