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EU-Türkiye Cultural Partnership Call for Proposals

The Ortaklaşa EU-Türkiye Cultural Partnership Call for Proposals offers €890,000 in grant support for projects connecting arts and culture organisations and municipalities in Türkiye and Europe. The call aims to strengthen cultural policy, support artistic production and establish lasting partnerships based on fair cooperation, mutual learning and shared responsibility.

Deadline: 18 December 2026, 17:00 (UTC+3)

Organisers: Ortaklaşa and Culture Action Europe (CAE)

Who is it for: Non-profit cultural civil society organisations and municipalities in Türkiye and eligible European countries.

Total funding: €890,000

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About the Call

Building on the cooperation model developed during [Ortaklaşa's first phase](#), the programme expands its work to the European level through a partnership with Culture Action Europe (CAE). The call connects the local knowledge and experience of arts and culture organisations and municipalities in Türkiye and

Europe, encouraging collaborations that extend beyond one-off projects to establish lasting relationships.

Supported projects should contribute to rethinking cultural policies, strengthening cultural and artistic production, and developing fair cooperation. Selected partnerships will also benefit from Ortaklaşa's mentorship and advocacy activities, alongside CAE's connections with cultural networks across Europe.

Partnership Structure

- Applications must be submitted through a four-institution partnership consisting of:
- Lead applicant: A culture-oriented civil society organisation (CSO) established in Türkiye.
- Co-applicant: A culture-oriented CSO established in an eligible European country.
- Associate: One municipality based in Türkiye.
- Associate: One municipality based in an eligible European country.

Eligible countries outside the EU include Albania, Iceland, Montenegro, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The project must be jointly developed by the lead applicant, co-applicant and both municipal associates. The lead applicant is responsible for managing and implementing the project and cannot act solely as an intermediary.

Who Can Apply?

The lead applicant must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Be a legally established, non-profit organisation based in Türkiye.
- Be a civil society organisation in the form of an association, foundation or non-profit cooperative.
- Primarily implement project activities in Türkiye.
- Be actively engaged in artistic and cultural production and contribute to cultural policymaking.
- Demonstrate both current and previous project experience in the cultural field.
- Identify arts and culture as its main field of activity in its statutes or foundation deed.

The partnership must also include a culture-oriented civil society organisation from an eligible European country and two

municipalities, one from Türkiye and one from the same eligible European country group.

Funding and Support

The call provides a total of €890,000 in grant support. Grants may cover between 70% and 95% of a project's total eligible costs, with the remaining share to be covered through other sources.

Detailed information about eligible costs, funding conditions, application requirements and evaluation criteria is available in the official Guidelines for Grant Applications.

Application Calendar

Deadline for submitting questions: 6 December 2026, at 23:59 (UTC+3)

Application deadline: 18 December 2026, at 17:00 (UTC+3)

Announcement of results: 16 March 2027

Indicative project start date: 1 April 2027

How to Apply

Interested organisations should consult the official [EU-Türkiye Cultural Partnership Call for Proposals](#) website and read the Guidelines for Grant Applications carefully before preparing their proposal.

Questions about the call can be sent to ortaklasa.hibeler@iksv.org until 6 December 2026, at 23:59 (UTC+3). Answers will be published periodically in the Frequently Asked Questions section of the [Ortaklaşa website](#). All questions will be answered no later than seven days before the submission deadline.

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