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Save the date for Creative Skills Week 2026

Creative Skills Week 2026 examines the concept of creative confidence – the capacity to turn creative thinking into action. Creatives are welcome to join the event on September 7-11 in Brussels.

Dates: 7–11 September 2026, Brussels, Belgium
Organiser: EIT Culture and Creativity, CYANOTYPES and Creative Futures Academy

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About Creative Skills Week 2026

Creative Skills Week 2026 (CSW2026) is bringing together Europe's CCSI, policymakers, educators, and industry leaders in Brussels at a time when democracy, technological sovereignty, and social cohesion are under pressure to ask: how can we harness and target the transformative power of creative skills for wider societal challenges?

At the centre of CSW2026 is the concept of creative confidence – the capacity to turn creative thinking into action, to bring together forms of expertise conventionally kept apart. This enables individuals and organisations to thrive on collaboration and inclusivity, prototype new models of thinking and action, and develop innovative approaches to familiar challenges. By embedding creative skills into professional development strategies, we can ensure that organisations have the confidence to tackle challenges, experiment, and thrive in an era of rapid change.

While these skills are deeply rooted in cultural practice, their relevance extends far beyond the CCSI. Within the sector, they already drive innovation, shape narratives, and generate new forms of collaboration across disciplines and borders.



Ways to Contribute

For this year's edition, there will be no open call for contributions, and proposals will not be accepted. However, the organizers invite everyone to join Creative Skills Week 2026 as active participants and engage in the CYANOTYPES Pilots. These offer organisations, networks, and independent professionals the opportunity to explore how the CYANOTYPES Framework and Toolkit can be applied in real environments. This Framework supports creative organisations, educators, and networks in navigating social, digital, and ecological transitions.

For more information and to explore all the latest announcements, please visit the official website of Creative Skills Week.

Creative Skills Week 2026 is co-organised by EIT Culture and Creativity, CYANOTYPES and Creative Futures Academy, in collaboration with the Creative Pact for Skills, CREDEX and the GreenCCIrcle project.

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