



## **International Working: Funding Sources**

Steps to finding funding:

### **1. UK funds for overseas**

- a. UK Arts Councils
- b. Commonwealth Foundation / other trusts and foundations

### **2. Overseas countries' own funds**

- a. Ministries of Culture & Foreign Affairs – particularly Norwegian, Danish etc and ex Colonial links – e.g. Belgium in Africa, Portugal in Angola etc
- b. National arts councils
- c. State arts promotion agencies, ie British Council, Goethe Institut, Cultures France, Japan Foundation, Pro Helvetia, Cervantes Institute, Indian Council for Cultural Relations, etc

### **3. Global NGOs and international charities:**

- a. UNESCO, ECF

### **4. Trusts and foundations with international focus**

- a. i.e. Bertelsmann (focus on Asia), Prince Claus (developing countries)

### **5. Trusts and foundations with national focus**

- a. For example: Calouste Gulbenkian – international with a priority for Portuguese links



## **Directories of funding/resources**

[Association of Small Foundations](#)

[Australian Charities](#)

[Dutch Charities on the Web \(Goede Doelen\)](#)

[The European Foundation Centre](#)

[European Funding Guide - A guide to European funding both within Europe and Internationally](#)

[Funders Online](#)

[FundsNet Services](#)

[Deutsches Spendeninstitut / German Charities Institute](#)

[Global Giving](#)

[Grantmakers for Effective Organisations](#)

[Grantmakers in Film and Electronic Media](#)

[Grantmakers in the Arts](#)

[International National Trusts Organisation](#)

[Lab for Culture: Funding search tool](#)

[On the Move and Practics: Guide to Funding Opportunities for the International Mobility of Artists and Culture Professionals in Europe](#)

[U.K. Directory of Social Change](#)

[UK Fundraising: grants and funding:](#) A selection of grants and funding resources, listed by geographical region.

## **Global funds**

### **[Aga Khan Foundation](#)**

Mainly Asia and Africa. Objectives: To promote social development through philanthropic activities in the developing world. AKF is non-communal and is committed by charter to assisting in the struggle against hunger, disease and illiteracy throughout the world.

### **[The Commonwealth Foundation](#)**

develops the capacity of civil society to act together and learn from each other to engage with the institutions that shape people's lives. Strives for more effective, responsive and accountable governance with civil society participation. Awards grants in Culture & Conflict.

### **[Daniel Langlois Foundation for Art, Science and Technology](#)**

A foundation which seeks to advance artistic and scientific knowledge by bringing together art and science in the technological field. The foundation has a number of funding and residency programmes, for individuals and organisations worldwide and holds a researchers in residency programme at the foundation's Center for Research and Documentation.

### **[Stichting Doen](#)**

DOEN promotes people and enterprises that take the lead in the field of sustainable, cultural and social innovation.

### **[Feed the Minds](#)**

Supports literacy, publishing, education, and other causes in developing countries through



grants.

### **Ford Foundation**

The Ford Foundation supports visionary leaders and organizations on the frontlines of social change worldwide.

### **Humanist Institute for Cooperation with Developing Countries**

A Dutch grant-giving NGO that operates in developing countries and in the Netherlands focusing on sustainable development issues, including arts and culture. It supports independent artistic initiatives in the fields of production, exchange, promotion, marketing and distribution as well as capacity building.

### **International Centre for Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Goods**

an intergovernmental organization (IGO) dedicated to the conservation of cultural heritage.

### **International Music Trust Fund (IMTF)**

International non-profit organisation with the mission to promote strategic music philanthropy for creativity, diversity and excellence in music. Programmes: Music for Hope Fund, Young Music Ambassadors Fund

### **Mamacash Foundation**

An international women's fund with a strategic grantmaking programme that invests in projects that change the world through art, culture and media run by women.

### **Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie**

IOF organises political activities and actions of multilateral cooperation that benefit French-speaking populations. Its actions respect cultural and linguistic diversity and serve to promote the French language, peace and sustainable development.

### **Soros Foundations Network - Open Society Institute**

A network of foundations operating in over 50 countries around the world to build and maintain the infrastructure of an open society. OSI and Soros foundations award grants, scholarships and fellowships, promoting alliances across borders and cultural programmes to achieve these aims more effectively.

### **Sovereign Art Foundation**

in Asia Africa and Europe

### **UNESCO Conventions and Global fund**

Several global funds have been established under the UNESCO conventions in culture to facilitate the implementation of these legal instruments.

### **Worldspace Foundation**

Working with international, national, and non-governmental organizations, the WorldSpace Foundation has a unique capability to provide access to education and information programs to large audiences in remote areas, using new communication technologies.



## **European**

(many of these funds target specific parts of the World e.g. Hivos)

### **Allianz Cultural Foundation**

A foundation that promotes and sponsors artistic, cultural and educational projects in the spirit of European integration, particularly projects that explore new ideas in arts, culture and education. The foundation supports cooperative projects that involve partners from at least three countries. Focal points are countries in Central and South-Eastern Europe and the Mediterranean area.

### **Bertelsmann Stiftung Foundation**

The Bertelsmann Stiftung works to promote music and cultural dialogue in business, politics and society at large at an international level. Its objectives are to promote creativity, preserve cultural diversity and build bridges of understanding through cultural exchange.

### **The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation**

is a Portuguese private institution of public utility whose statutory aims are in the fields of arts, charity, education and science.

### **European Cultural Foundation**

ECF's grants programme stimulates transnational cultural collaboration, artistic expression and the mobility of artists and other cultural players.

### **Fondation BNP Paribas Foundation**

Extending the possibilities open to artists searching for new audiences in France and abroad. Assistance for the production, distribution and promotion of shows. Sponsors cultural exchanges, helps groups go on tour.

### **Hertie Foundation**

The Hertie Foundation sponsors European integration projects that seek to overcome boundaries between countries and also disciplines. The foundation focuses particularly on countries from Central and Eastern Europe.

### **Hewlett Packard** - European Grants Program

Support the arts, health and human services, civic groups and environmental organizations.

### **Hippocrène Foundation**

Co-funds projects of organisations with European dimension and involving youngsters

### **Hivos Foundation** - for work in developing countries

### **J. F. Costopoulos Foundation**

funds films with a Hellenic theme. The policy is to subsidize important initiatives that would not be easily funded. In the field of films grants are given mainly for the realization of short films and documentaries.



## **[Prince Claus Foundation](#)**

### **[Stavros Niarchos Foundation](#)**

The Foundation funds institutions and projects that exhibit strong leadership and sound management and that have the potential to achieve a broad and lasting impact.

## **Mediterranean and Middle East**

### **[Anna Lindh Foundation](#)**

Supports a. Facilitating joint productions between artists and cultural groups from the two shores of the Mediterranean, b. Promoting translation c. Developing regional programmes aimed at supporting the access to literature and story-telling by and for young people, and d. Building the capacity of trans-cultural leaders with intercultural approach.

### **[Arab Fund for Arts and Culture \(AFAC\)](#)**

A private independent Arab initiative that funds individuals and organisations in the fields of cinema, performing arts, literature, music and visual arts. The aim is to facilitate cultural exchange and support artistic creativity and freedom of cultural expression across the Arab region.

### **[Qattan Foundation](#)**

### **[The Qatar Foundation](#)**

### **[Roberto Cimetta Fund](#)**

The Roberto Cimetta Fund offers a programme to promote artistic exchange and the mobility of professionals in the field of contemporary performing arts and visual arts within the Mediterranean area (Euromed).

### **[The Young Arab Theatre Fund](#)**

YATF supports young artists living and working in the Arab speaking countries in realizing their artistic projects.

## **Central European**

### **[Central European Initiative \(CEI\)](#)**

CEI's objectives are to strengthen the capacities of countries outside the EU, to consolidate their institutional and economic background and bring them closer to the EU.

### **[CEC ArtsLink](#)**

CEC ArtsLink has a fund for supporting Croatian Arts / FACE Croatia. The program is open for any arts discipline and/or cultural activity.

### **[Erste Foundation](#)**



### **[European Fund for the Balkans \(EFB\)](#)**

The European Fund for the Balkans (EFB) is a multi-year joint initiative of European foundations designed to undertake and support initiatives aimed at bringing the Western Balkans closer to the European Union through grant-giving and operational programs and, as such, is focused on individuals and organizations from Western Balkan countries.

### **[Fund for Central and Eastern European Book Projects](#)**

### **[Know-How Exchange Programme \(KEP\)](#)**

supports projects that are related to capacity-building, technical assistance and the transfer of good practices to non-EU member states of the CEI.

### **[Kultur Kontakt Austria \(KKA\)](#)**

KKA supports cultural dialogue projects in all categories of the arts in Austria and the Western Balkans (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia).

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## **African**

### **[Africalia](#)**

### **[Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa](#)**

The Bank was created for the purpose of strengthening economic, financial and technical cooperation between the Arab and African regions and for the embodiment of Arab-African solidarity on foundations of equality and friendship.

### **[Art Moves Africa](#)**

Art Moves Africa (AMA) is an international not-for-profit organisation that aims to facilitate cultural and artistic exchanges within the African continent.

### **[Arts and Culture Trust](#)** (South Africa)

### **[Business and Arts South Africa](#)**

### **[Culture Fund of Zimbabwe Trust](#)**

### **[Mimeta - Centre for Culture Sector Development and Arts Cooperation](#)**

### **[Open Society Initiative of Southern Africa \(OSISA\)](#)**





The Open Society Initiative for Southern Africa (OSISA) is a growing African institution committed to deepening democracy, protecting human rights and enhancing good governance in the region.

#### **Trendfield Energy & Resources**

Invests in projects as part of their CSR programme in Africa. Contact: [naimey@trendfieldonline.com](mailto:naimey@trendfieldonline.com)

### **Asian**

#### **Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF)**

ASEF is conducting a major mapping of funding for the arts and culture in Asia to mirror the On the Move/Practices document. ASEF promote cooperation and understanding between Europe and Asia through cultural exchanges and mobility projects.

**Asian Cultural Council** (between USA and Asia)

#### **Canon Foundation**

#### **Eurasia Foundation**

A grant-giving foundation that runs programmes in the field of sustainable development in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

#### **Fujitsu Limited Corporate Philanthropy** (Japan )

Promotion and assistance given to: Science & Education, International Exchanges, Art and Cultural Activities, Welfare Activities, Development of products friendly to the community, Activities in regional Japan.

#### **India Foundation for the Arts**

#### **Japan Foundation**

Specialises in international cultural exchange in Japan, implementing activities through their offices and branches in 19 different countries.

#### **Kolon Corporation Social Activities** (Korea )

Kolon established the Oh-woon Cultural Foundation, which grants scholarship, supports several universities and educational institutions, as well as operating a community center for the youths. Kolon has also donated a building to encourage athletics within the country and works to support the advancement of the arts.

#### **The Sasakawa Peace Foundation**

Dedicated to fostering world peace and prosperity by supporting nonprofit activities with a global perspective and a global impact.



## **Australian / Pacific**

### **[Australia Foundation for Culture and the Humanities](#)**

The Australia Foundation for Culture and the Humanities aims to raise the level of private sector resources available to the arts and culture and to encourage reflection on what it is to be Australian.

### **[Australian Charities](#)**

Provides you with a searchable data base.

### **[BHP - Community Trust](#)** (Australia)

Program areas include: education and training, occupational health and safety research, health, medicine and research, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander development, youth leadership development, the arts and cultural activities, the environment, community welfare.

### **[Coles Myer](#)** (Australia)

Coles Myer has a long history of supporting the communities in which it operates. The commitment continues today through philanthropy and donations to a wide range of causes, charities and community groups.

### **[Philanthropy Australia, Inc.](#)**

Established in 1975, Philanthropy Australia Inc is a national membership organization that represents grantmaking private, family and corporate Trusts and Foundations. Its mission is to promote and protect the interests of both private and corporate giving in Australia.

## **Latin American**

### **[Fundacion Roberto Marinho](#)** (Brazil)

Programs include environment, community, Arts and Culture.

### **[Fundacion Acceso](#)** (Costa Rica)

### **[Fundaciyn Chile](#)** (Chile)

### **[Fundaciyn Esquel](#)** (Ecuador)

### **[IDB Cultural Centre](#)**

Supports efforts by Latin America and the Caribbean countries to reduce poverty and inequality. We aim to bring about development in a sustainable, climate-friendly way.

### **[The Tinker Foundation](#)**

Tinker Foundation institutional grants are awarded to organizations and institutions that promote the interchange and exchange of information within the community of those concerned with the affairs of Spain, Portugal, Ibero-America and Antarctica.





## **Weeden Foundation**

Western U.S., Latin America and the Russian Far East

## **North American**

### **CEC Arts Link**

Promotes international communication and understanding through collaborative, innovative arts projects for mutual benefit in the United States and 32 countries overseas.

### **IBM Philanthropy**

To make the most effective use of IBM resources and expertise, IBM has selected priority issues and key initiatives for investment. Our main focus is Education. We also provide smaller grants in the areas of Adult Education and Workforce Development, Arts and Culture, Communities in Need, and the Environment.

### **J. C. Downing Foundation**

The Foundation awards grants to qualified nonprofit organizations with specific, identifiable need in these areas of support: Education and Human Development, Environmental Research and Preservation, Fine Arts, Sports and Athletics, Technology and Communications.

### **Johnson and Johnson**

Our program became more worldwide in scope and continued to have a strong impact on health care. In all areas of giving, Johnson & Johnson continued to emphasize programs and activities that assisted mothers and children. These efforts were carefully balanced with the Company's other contributions activities in the fields of health, family, education, employment, the environment, culture and the arts.

### **W.K. Kellogg Foundation**

Since its beginning, the Foundation has continuously focused on building the capacity of individuals, communities, and institutions to solve their own problems. United States, Latin America and the Caribbean, and Southern Africa.

### **Kodak Community Affairs** - Check their [Communities](#)

Primary focus is at our site communities, but also includes national and international support. Focus is on the following general areas: Community Revitalization, Environment, and Arts & Culture: Includes economic development, culture and the arts for programs and organizations. Education: Includes colleges, universities, scholarships and grants for organizations. Health & Human Services: Includes organizations and programs.

### **The Kosciuszko Foundation** (Poland)

The Kosciuszko Foundation is dedicated to promoting educational and cultural exchanges between the United States and Poland and to increasing American understanding of Polish culture and history.

### **Luso-American Development Foundation** (Portugal)

Programs include: Education, Science and technology, Culture, Environment, Public Administration, economic and social development.



### **Oak Foundation**

An international philanthropy, commits its resources to address issues of global social and environmental concern, particularly those that have a major impact on the lives of the disadvantaged.

### **Robert Stirling Foundation**

RSF supports strengthening the management of cultural institutions and helps promote global understanding through the arts

### **The Rockefeller Foundation**

The Foundation's new approach to current global challenges will focus on poor people's daily existence - their lives and livelihoods - and how the process of globalization can be turned to their advantage.

### **Tides Foundation**

### **The United States-Japan Foundation**

The foundation's areas of interest are: Managing Economic Globalization, Understanding Institutions, and National Interest/Foreign Policy. Applicants should submit a preproposal letter of inquiry of 2-3 pages. Preproposal letters of inquiry are accepted on a rolling basis.

### **Terra Foundation**

Through our grant program, the Terra Foundation for American Art actively supports and initiates historical American art exhibitions, scholarship, and programs in Chicago, the United States, and throughout the world. The Terra Foundation fund projects that focus on American art dating from circa 1500 to 1980, made by artists from what is now the geographic United States.