WHAT IS THE ELIA LEADERSHIP SYMPOSIUM?

ELIA Leadership Symposium is established as an event that brings together influential leaders from higher arts education institutions and universities across the globe for an important and timely discussion on current issues in leadership in higher arts education.

Through a combination of formal presentations by prominent keynote speakers followed by discussions and exclusive visits in the city, the Symposium creates a generative environment of conversation, building towards outcomes that will have tangible effects for the future of higher arts education institutions. To ensure an optimal level of interaction, focus and collegiality, participation is limited to 150 participants.

For more information, please visit the ELIA Leadership Symposium website: elia-artschools.org/page/ELIALeadershipSymposiums

DEADLINE

30 November 2023
Previous institution hosts of ELIA Leadership Symposiums have appreciated the **unique opportunity to present themselves** to the European and International Art Education Institutes, and related national and international organisations.

The host institution also **actively participates in developing the content and programme of the symposium, arranges venues and logistics and promotes the event on a local and national level.** The organisation of the event is a joint venture. The ELIA Office will take care of organising the programme, communications, reporting, recruitment and registration of delegates. Please note that there may be fringe activities before and after the Leadership Symposium, related to ELIA’s ongoing projects (EU projects, UAx etc.). Direct costs for these will be covered through separate budgets, in-kind contributions from the host (re. venue, PA equipment etc.) would be much appreciated.

The ELIA Leadership Symposium also provides a **momentum for student engagement** and direct exchange between the leadership and students.

ELIA is committed to **minimising the ecological footprint of its events**, which affects the areas of travel, accommodation, venue, catering and materials produced and supplied. The host should follow the **event environmental guidelines** and be ready to develop and implement an environmental sustainability plan for the ELIA Leadership Symposium together with the ELIA Office.

ELIA is committed to advancing social justice, raising awareness within the sector and beyond, regarding the complex and intersectional aspects of anti-discrimination. Making events more accessible and inclusive is a key priority.
PREVIOUS ELIA SYMPOSIUM EDITIONS

2003  Los Angeles, US  
Hosted by the Getty Center

2005  London, UK  
Hosted by the University of the Arts in London

2007  Hong Kong, China  
Hosted by The Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts

2009  Zurich, Switzerland  
Hosted by Zurich University of the Arts

2011  Vancouver, Canada  
Hosted by Emily Carr University of Art and Design

2013  Helsinki, Finland  
Hosted by the University of the Arts Helsinki

2015  Cape Town, South Africa  
Hosted by the African Arts Institute

2017  Poznan, Poland  
Hosted by University of the Arts in Poznan

2019  Hangzhou, China  
Hosted by China Academy of Art

2022  Tallinn, Estonia  
Hosted by Estonian Academy of Arts and Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre

ELIA is currently preparing the 11th edition of the Leadership Symposium which will be hosted by Manchester School of Art, Manchester Metropolitan University and take place in Manchester, UK from 18 – 20 October 2023.
Before the planning begins, ELIA and the host institution will settle on an agreement. The budget will be jointly signed off and is generally estimated at €175,000. It is guaranteed that ELIA will raise a percentage of this amount through participation fees. The remaining amount will be raised by the host institution, most of which generally comes from ‘in kind’ contributions, as well as financial support from governmental and local authorities.

To nominate your institution, please write an application which includes the following information:

1. An explanation of your motivation to host the ELIA Leadership Symposium 2025
2. Information about the city in which your institution is situated (its location relative to international transportation hubs, airports or train stations; close by tourist activities; etc.)
3. Information about the venue (capacity, flexibility, technical facilities, hotels in the vicinity, environmental guidelines)
4. Possible financial support or partnerships necessary to develop the project (please refer to possible funding options for the €125,000 contribution)

For more information, please contact Nona Thani, (Interim) ELIA Conference Manager, at nona.thani@elia-artschools.org

Please email your expression of interest to host the ELIA Leadership Symposium 2021 to ELIA Executive Director, Maria Hansen at maria.hansen@elia-artschools.org

Deadline for nominations: 30 November 2023