

NOMINATION FOR VENUES

Host the PIE Annual Meeting 2026



What is the PIE Annual Meeting?

ELIA Members are invited to
nominate a host venue for the Annual
Meeting of the ELIA Platform for
Internationalisation (PIE)

Deadline: 20 May 2025

The Platform for Internationalisation ELIA (PIE) is a forum for sharing knowledge on how to best implement the different facets of internationalisation within higher arts education.

member institutions. All pro-active in their spheres, these participants are the researchers, advisors, and creators of strategies and policies in the field of internationalisation.

As a dynamic network of over 285 higher arts education institutions, ELIA facilitates a range of activities through the PIE Community Hub, aimed to enhance internationalisation strategies and operations, while at the same time building on the multidisciplinary and cross-cultural resources and ethos within our community. PIE schedules regular digital gatherings and prides itself on hosting a sector-specific yearly conference, known as the PIE Annual Meeting.

Bringing together internationalisation professionals, to promote and celebrate the sharing of knowledge, research, and new ideas, the PIE Annual Meeting welcomes host institutions wishing to contribute to this global conversation.

As with every PIE Meeting, we make time for meaningful networking moments. We recognise the importance of building relationships with international colleagues, and what better way to do this, than over a slice of real pie– a welcome treat after an intense day of PIE food for thought.

The PIE Annual Meeting is an internationalisation community highlight, drawing an audience of approximately 100 attendees, consisting of heads of internationalisation, deans, policymakers, teachers, and other staff members from ELIA

For more information, please visit our [PIE page](#) on the ELIA website.



Hosting the PIE Annual Meeting

The **PIE Annual Meeting** is usually organised in the spring, giving the host institution a timely opportunity to present themselves to higher arts education institutions, and universities from all over the world. This is a great moment to showcase your practices and put your institution on the map. As a host institution you will be actively involved in the development of the event in collaboration with the PIE working group and the ELIA team.

The conference consists of an engaging two-day programme which includes interactive workshop



sessions, presentations, inspiring speakers, plenary discussions, educational peer-to-peer dialogue, city visits, and, most importantly, networking events.

- The PIE working group usually initiates the theme for the Annual Meeting and formulates the call for contributions.
- As host, you will play a key role in the selection process and will also be encouraged to experiment and innovate with regards to the programme flow and formats.
- Also, you will be responsible for arranging the venues, organising logistics, and securing national and local funding and sponsorship, if needed.

- Meanwhile, the ELIA Team will take care of organising the programme, communications, reporting, recruitment, and the registration of participants.
- It is important to mention that ELIA is committed to minimising the ecological footprint of our events, taking into account the various aspects of travel, accommodation, venue, catering, and materials produced and supplied.
- ELIA is also committed to advancing social justice by raising awareness within the sector and beyond, with regards to the complex and intersectional aspects of anti-discrimination. For this reason, making events more accessible and inclusive is a key priority.

Budget

Before the planning begins, ELIA and the host institution create a joint agreement. The budget is estimated at approximately **€36.000** which is jointly agreed upon. There is the possibility that this amount could be lower depending on the in-kind contribution the host institution contributes. ELIA will guarantee to raise a percentage of this amount through participation fees. The remaining amount will be raised by the host institution. A portion of the budget may be contributed 'in kind' (for example, by using your institution's building as venue). Generally, in practice, host institutions also raise financial support from governmental and local authorities.

Nomination guidelines

To nominate your institution, we invite you to submit your nomination which should include the following information:

1. A description of your motivation to host the PIE Annual Meeting 2026 (or in the years to follow).
2. Information about the city in which your institution is situated (including its location relative to international transportation hubs, airports, or train stations; tourist activities nearby; etc.).
3. Information on the venue (capacity, flexibility, technical facilities, hotels in the vicinity) and possible financial support or partnerships (including in-kind).

We greatly look forward to receiving your nomination.

For more information, please contact Janja Škerget, ELIA Conference Manager, at janja.skerget@elia-artschools.org

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Selection procedure

The PIE Working Group will make a preliminary decision regarding the venue for the PIE Annual Meeting which will then be endorsed by the ELIA Executive Group. It is hoped that the venue for the PIE Annual Meeting 2026 will be announced during the PIE Annual Meeting 2025 in June.

