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AEC "Johannes Johansson" Travel Bursaries 2024

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To honour the memory of the former AEC President Johannes Johansson, and thanks to the <u>AEC - Empowering Artists as Makers in Society (ARTEMIS)</u> project, co-funded by the Creative Europe programme of the European commission, the AEC will offer a limited number of travel bursaries to attend the upcoming <u>AEC Pop and Jazz Platform (PJP)</u> on 9-10 February 2024 in Odense and online. Johannes was a passionate supporter of inclusiveness at the AEC and the creation of travel bursaries is a wonderful way to remember him.

This year, the AEC "Johannes Johansson" Travel Bursaries will work as follows:

- Each Travel Bursary will be for up to 500,00 EUR;
- The Travel Bursary can cover, depending on the country's GNI, the full TRAVEL¹ costs or just part of these costs according to the following criteria:
 - Countries A: For applicants coming from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland and the UK, AEC could reimburse at most 50% of the travel costs;
 - Countries B: For applicants from Armenia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Egypt, Estonia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Turkey, full travel costs could be reimbursed.
- Exceptionally, representatives from <u>AEC member institutions in Ukraine</u> wishing to attend this year's AEC Pop and Jazz Platform (PJP) in Odense are eligible for both travel and accommodation reimbursement up to 500,00 EUR.
- In addition, <u>students</u> from AEC member institutions wishing to attend the AEC Pop and Jazz Platform (PJP) are especially welcome to apply, and are also eligible to benefit from both travel and accommodation reimbursement for up to 500,00 EUR.

Applications should be sent by email to Events Coordinator Beatriz Laborda (<u>beatrizlaborda@aec-music.eu</u>) and Membership and Finance Coordinator Alfonso Guerra (<u>alfonsoguerra@aec-music.eu</u>), and should include the following:

- Letter signed by a senior member of the institution, indicating:
 - Name of the person wishing to attend the event in Odense;
 - Name of the institution where this person works / studies;
 - Total estimated travel costs (based on real costs);
 - Brief explanation (up to 250 words) of the special needs / circumstances that would justify the award of an AEC "Johannes Johansson" Travel Bursary;
 - Countries A: confirmation that the institution will cover at least 50% of the total cost (the precise amount covered by the institution should be specified);

¹ Please note accommodation will not be covered.

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Please note applications not including the required information **will not be considered**.

The following procedure applies for receiving an AEC "Johannes Johansson" Travel Bursary:

- 1. The participant applies for the Travel Bursary at the latest by 7 January 2024;
- 2. After the AEC office makes a decision, successful applicants will be contacted by email, containing the amount to be reimbursed and a reimbursement form;
- 3. Applicants should register online to the event. Their participation fee is waived;
- 4. Applicants can now book their travel and accommodation. Should applicants have insufficient funds before being reimbursed, please contact the AEC office.
- 5. After the event has taken place, the applicant can send the filled in reimbursement form to the AEC office, attaching original bookings, bills and boarding passes.

IMPORTANT: Successful applicants are requested NOT TO BOOK anything before receiving a confirmation email from the AEC office that the AEC "Johannes Johansson" Travel Bursary has been granted (see point 2 above).

For more information, questions or requests, please contact AEC Membership and Finance Coordinator Alfonso Guerra at <u>alfonsoguerra@aec-music.eu</u>. Registrations to attend the AEC Pop and Jazz Platform 2024 are open <u>here</u>.

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