

Ministry of Culture
Maistrova 10
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Slovenia



Dear Madam/Sir,

I, the undersigned Aleksandra Janeva Imfeld, director of Nomad dance Academy Croatia, wish to express my concern and support in relation to the current situation on the contemporary art scene in Slovenia. My colleagues and me have been informed about the lack of structural support and the lack of constructive dialogue with the decision-makers on the side of Ministry of Culture.

We have founded Nomad Dance Academy and worked together since 2005 to re-establish connections within contemporary dance scenes in ex-Yugoslavia and Bulgaria and did that with great success. Many of these projects would not have been possible without the presence and an important collaboration with our Slovenian partner-Nomad Dance Academy Slovenia. We are recognized by many international organizations and have engaged further in collaborations within a few European projects that are of immense importance for this region.

We stand by their side and support them, as well as Emanat, Gledališče Glej, Delak Institute, Maska, City of Women and Ana Monro. It is impossible to imagine the landscape of Slovene contemporary art without all these organizations and their projects.

We hereby express concern and disbelief related to the current events between the independent art scene and the Ministry of Culture. As colleagues and long-term partners of the artistic associations and organizations in the independent scene, we are alarmed in the first place by the lack of procedures for funding, and the Ministry's lack of capacities to stand for the position of culture and arts in own society.

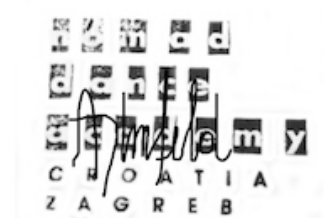
We protest over the current situation and appeal for:

- enlargement of the budgets for culture
- re-structuring of the positions at the Ministry of Culture
- inclusion of the competent professionals into the vital decision-making processes

With commitment and support to the art scene in Slovenia, we send our best regards,

In Zagreb , 14/01/2022

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