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Dear Madam/Sir,

I, the undersigned, Matteo Fargion, wish to express my concern and support in relation to the current situation in the contemporary art scene in Slovenia. My colleagues and I have been informed about the lack of structural support and constructive dialogue with the decision-makers on the side of Ministry of Culture.

I have had the honour recently of being invited by NDA Slovenija to perform at their festival CODance. It was a very special sold out event and I was moved by the passion and professionalism of everybody involved in the organisation.

I 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 that they are losing their funding, this would very quickly lead to the demise of this important body of professionals, and it would change the landscape of Slovenian contemporary art forever.

I am shocked at the news of imminent cuts and restructuring going on and sincerely hope that the Ministry of Culture will reconsider the situation and allow these vital organisations to flourish without interference.

With commitment and support for the art scene in Slovenia.

Regards,

Matteo Fargion

(composer and performer)