

# EUROPEAN NETWORK OF CULTURAL CENTRES

## ENCC Second European Project Fair of Cultural Centres

Riga/ Latvia, 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2007

**“BRINGING CULTURES TOGETHER –  
APPROXIMATION THROUGH EXCHANGE”**



Bundesvereinigung  
Soziokultureller  
Zentren e.V.



Almost a year has passed since we have held the first European Project Fair in Vienna, one of ENCCs most successful activities in 2006. Realized in cooperation with the Austrian national ENCC member association “IG Kultur Österreich”, the event brought almost 80 participants from 16 European countries together.

Now, we are very delighted to announce the

**Second European Project Fair of Cultural Centres  
taking place from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> October 2007 in Riga, Latvia.**

Besides the invaluable opportunity to directly exchange expertise, to share different project experiences as well as to build up new contacts for possible joint projects in the future in a pleasing atmosphere, the ENCC prepared an ambitious programme that goes along with the fair. Just a few highlights: By participating in the fair, you will get an overview about what culturally matters in the Baltic States. We will discuss and share experiences about good practices in association networking, cross-border projects and Europe-wide staff exchange programmes. Furthermore, funding will be an important topic. Staff members of cultural centres from all over Europe will let you know, how they make their municipalities pay for the centre's activities.

ENCC wants to promote European cooperation and exchange of projects, staff and artists. Thereby, our special aim is to use the opportunity in Riga to focus on concrete coordination and agreement about joint activities in 2008; i.e. in the field of staff exchange, the improvement of the Europe-wide networking, the professionalisation and qualification of national networks, etc.

The invited speakers are coming from a broad range of backgrounds – political decision makers, many representatives of different cultural centres, umbrella organisations, institutions with important knowledge about funding opportunities above all regarding EU programmes etc.

This year, the Latvian Association of Cultural Centres, which is the Latvian member association of ENCC, is organising the European Project Fair together with the ENCC and in cooperation with the Bundesvereinigung Soziokultureller Zentren e.V., the German national member association of ENCC.

## PROGRAMME

**Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2007**

**Venue: "Rīga Latvian Society" ("Rīgas Latviešu Biedrība") at Merkela street 13**

17:00 – 18:00 Registration

18:00 – 18:15 **Opening of the European Project Fair 2007**

*Dace Melbārde, Deputy State Secretary of the Latvian Ministry of Culture  
Jolanta Borīte, Head of the board of the Latvian Cultural Centres Association  
Andreas Kämpf, President of the European Network of Cultural Centres*

18:15 – 19:45 **European Cultural Policy, the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue 2008 and the Baltic States – Links and Challenges**

Panel discussion with:

*Monica Urian de Sousa, Policy Officer, Directorate C "Culture and Communication" of the DG Education and Culture of the European Commission  
Dace Melbārde, Deputy State Secretary of the Latvian Ministry of Culture  
Zanda Kergalve, Culture Department of Riga City Council  
Heli Kallasmaa, Head of the Regional Department of the Estonian Folk Culture Training and Development Center  
Bent Blindbaek, Vice-president, European Network of Cultural Centres (ENCC)  
Moderator: Sabine Frank, Deputy Secretary General, European Forum for the Arts and Heritage (EFAH)*

20:00 **Reception at Riga City Council**

**Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> October 2007**

**Venue: "Rīga Congress Centre" ("Rīgas Kongresu Nams") at K. Valdemara street 5**

09:00 – 10:00 Preparation of stands

10:00 – 11:30 **One Question – Five Answers**

Experiences with arguments and policy strategies of cultural centres with:  
*Ilona Asare, Cēsis Culture Centre, Latvia  
Cornelia Iber-Rebentisch, Kulturzentrum Seefeldler Mühle, Germany  
Kinga Palfi, Casa de Cultura Arad, Romania  
Klaus Schafner, Artist and Kunsthalle Exnergasse, Austria  
Marcin Śliwa, Mazowieckie Centrum Kultury i Sztuki, Poland  
Moderator: Ivo Peeters, De Zeyp, Belgium*

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee and tea

12:00 – 13:30 **Joint visit of the fair**

*Moderator: Andreas Kämpf, President of the European Network of Cultural Centres*

13:30 – 14:30 Lunch at the cafeteria of the Riga Congress Centre

14:30 – 16:30 **Workshops**

**1. National networks of cultural centres**

*Andris Avamere, Culture Centre of Tūri, Estonia  
Ágnes C. Szalai, Veszprém City Culture Centre, Hungary  
Søren Søeborg, Huse i Danmark, Denmark  
Moderator: Paul Sergier, Vereniging Vlaamse Cultuur, Belgium*

## 2. Cross-border projects within Europe

*Emma Ernsth, Trans Europe Halles, Sweden*

*Bartek Guentzel, The Ochota Cultural Centre, Poland*

*Bernd Scheda, Kulturzentrum Lagerhaus, Germany*

*Moderator: Antti Manninen, ENCC board member, Finland*

## 3. Europe-wide staff exchange programmes

*Gabi Gerbasits, IG Kultur Österreich, Austria*

*Sara Kuusi, City of Helsinki Cultural Office, Finland*

*Zanda Ķergalve, Culture Department of Riga City Council, Latvia*

*Moderator: Christiane Ziller, Bundesvereinigung Soziokultureller Zentren, Germany*

17:00 Reflecting team followed by open space

19:30 **Cultural programme**

Evening Meeting with representatives of cultural centres of the Baltic States and ENCC followed by ENCC Board Meeting (closed session)

**Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2007**

**Venue: "Latvian Folk Art Centre" ("Tautas Mākslas Centrs") at Pils laukums 4**

10:00 – 12:00 **How does ENCC support exchange?**

Inputs:

**Exchange of staff, artists and youth – ENCC's work programme 2008**

*Andreas Kämpf, ENCC, Germany*

**Database for cultural centres Europe-wide**

*Ivo Peeters, De Zeyp, Belgium*

**EU funding seminars in 2008**

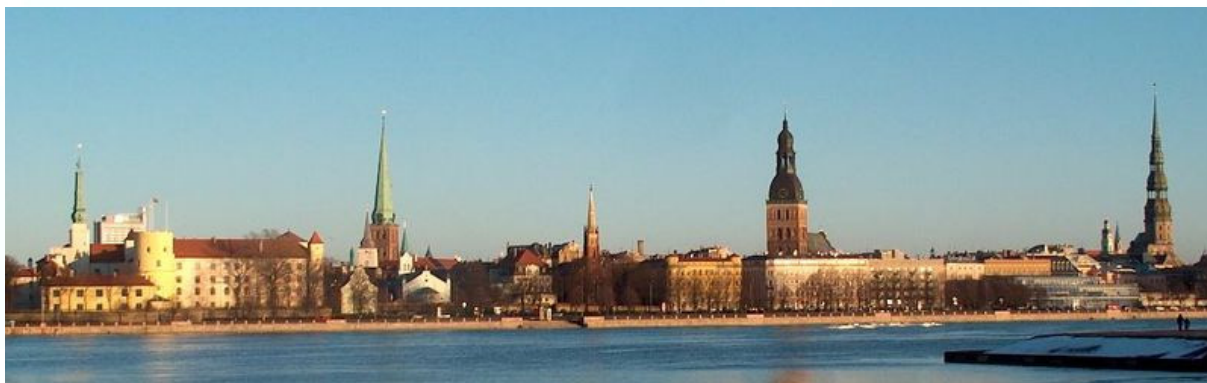
*Luis Prada, eufund, Germany*

12:00 **Closing words**

*Jolanta Borīte, Latvian Cultural Centres Association*

*Andreas Kämpf, President of the European Network of Cultural Centres*

Afternoon **Guided tour of Riga**



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