

European Culture Forum 2016

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The European Culture Forum is an event organized every two years by the European Commission. The goals are to raise the profile of European cultural cooperation, unite the sector's key players and engage the debate about EU culture policy and initiatives. On this year's Forum there were larger plenary sessions that focused on the main goals of the European Agenda for Culture. The two full days of debates included smaller, technical sessions dealing with the work of the EU. Plenary sessions started with inspirational speeches that intended to stimulate and provoke the following moderated panel debates in which the audience participated by sharing its experiences, views and questions.

The Forum is a major networking opportunity emphasizing culture's role in developing talent and creativity. It also considered the culture's contribution in terms of innovation, jobs and growth, the digital single market, social cohesion and intercultural dialogue, which are also priorities of the new Commission.

Inspiring speeches presented Federica Mogherini, Vice President, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Tibor Navracsics, European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, Günther Oettinger, European Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society, Silvia Costa, Chair of the Culture and Education Committee, European Parliament, Martine Reicherts, Director-General, Education and Culture, European Commission

Centre for Promotion of Intercultural Dialogue has been represented by its President, Prof. Dr. Mihai Vladimirescu

