

Open Call: Artist residencies (Short-Term Scientific Missions - STSM)

COST-funded Action TOOLKIT OF CARE (TOC), CA21102 is pleased to announce an open call for artist residency (Short-Term Scientific Missions) at the host organisation participating in the Action: **DA LAB Foundation, Bulgaria.**

TOOLKIT OF CARE is an EU-wide Action led by an interdisciplinary group of creative practitioners, academics, researchers and arts organisations that specialise in creative technologies and that have considerable experience in the production and dissemination of this kind of knowledge across Europe and internationally, who have come together to form a “critical network of care”. The network will collaborate to share their collective expertise and technical knowledge employed in creative ways to develop knowledge and methodologies of care. The main aim is to produce a well formulated and integrated TOOLKIT OF CARE comprising articles, prototypes, audiovisual documentation, technical manuals, theoretical analysis, prototypes, and data. It will act as a model of how to successfully share knowledge and expertise across different geographical regions and social groups.

Grant amount: Selected participant shall receive a grant of **3000** EUR, which is expected to cover all fees and expenses related to the residency, including travel expenses, accommodation, subsistence and production costs.

Residency host institution: DA LAB Foundation

Host organisation city: Sofia

Host organisation country: Bulgaria

Host organisation url: www.da-lab.org

Host contact person name: Galina Dimitrova-Dimova, Venelin Shurelov

Host contact person email: dalabfoundation@gmail.com

Start date of residency: 10 September 2024

End date of residency: 10 October 2024

Description of residency:

DA LAB invites artists and creative practitioners to apply for an experimental art-research residency during 4 weeks in September-October, with public presentation and an online publication in .

We are particularly interested in artists working with art, science and technology in relation to the environment, care theories, and themes relevant to Toolkit of Care (www.toolkitof.care)

We would like to encourage digital and media artists with research-based practice, as well as early career and mid-career researchers (PhD and postdoctoral) to apply.

Criteria for participants: Previous work, motivation; The proposals' potential contribution towards a 'critical toolkit of care'.

Available equipment, resources that the host can offer:

Working studio at Resonator Lab in Sofia

Presentation space (to be announced later, depending on the specific needs of the presentation)

Technical equipment of DA LAB Foundation incl:

-One black box exhibition space of 120m²

-4 video projectors

-4 mobile screens 4x3m

-10 monitoring speakers

-2 PA with subwoofers

-2 flat TV screens

Other equipment may be available on discussion

WHO CAN APPLY:

Practitioners/researchers of any nationality or place of residency affiliated with an academic or other legal entity in one of these countries:

Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, the Faroe Islands, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Kosovo, Latvia, Lebanon, Libya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Morocco, Republic of North Macedonia, Netherlands, Norway, Palestine, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine (government controlled areas), United Kingdom, as well as in one of the EU Member States Outermost Regions

(French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Mayotte, Reunion Island and Saint-Martin, Azores and Madeira, and the Canary Islands)

Note: Host institution must be located in a different country than the applicant's country of affiliation.

*Examples of such an affiliation (non-exhaustive list): work contract, enrolment in a programme (ie. PhD or Post-Doctoral), voluntary service in an NGO, emeritus professorship, etc

Documentation of STSM: Residents, with assistance from their host institution, are expected to document all stages of their project, keeping in mind the need to evidence the project's relevance to the aims of TOC.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please read carefully the application instructions and ensure all steps of the application process are taken, in order to ensure your application is complete. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. Complete the application template which shall be previously downloaded from HERE:
<https://nextcloud.anulios.space/s/mnsodig4NTSPpQG>
2. Please include a link to your CV and to your portfolio.
3. Email filled application form directly to the host institution you are applying to. Please title your email: "COST STSM application [YOUR NAME]"

Host organisation contact details for application submission and enquiries:

DA LAB Foundation: dalabfoundation@gmail.com

Submission deadline: Wednesday, 31st July 2024 at 23:59 EET

Successful candidates will be informed by **5th August 2024** with further instructions. Please note we are unable to provide feedback to unsuccessful applications.

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