

**FREEMUSE NETWORK MEETING**  
**Preliminary agenda**  
**22-25 February 2024**  
**SWEDISH RESEARCH INSTITUTE - ISTANBUL**

**GENERAL OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING**

Freemuse and network partners in Asia, the Americas, Africa and Europe will build on existing initiatives and experiences in analysing threats to artistic freedom and to improve and develop joint documentation, monitoring and advocacy, nationally, regionally and internationally.

The objectives are to strengthen collaborations by understanding the individual partners' current capacities, focus areas, and strengths as well as the multiple challenges they face.

Whereas Freemuse in the past has initiated and collaborated with partners on UN UPR submissions, the project also aims to sensitize partners in how their current work may qualify them to develop and prepare inputs as well as submissions to UNESCO's QP and the UN UPR mechanisms.

After several years of COVID travel restrictions the project will enable partners to meet physically and develop new partnerships as well as new strategies.

**EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF THE MEETING**

- Participants will share a common knowledge and understanding of challenges in documenting and monitoring artistic freedom violations.
- Participants will strengthen the capacities of their organisations.
- The participating organisations will strengthen their collaboration efforts in advocating artistic freedom nationally, regionally and globally

**DAY 1 – Thursday 22 February 2024**

6.30-9.00 pm	<b>Registration, welcome information, and dinner</b> Participants meet and greet. Security and practical information, objectives of the meeting and dinner	Hotel
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**DAY 2 – Friday 23 February 2023**

9.00	<b>Arrival and security registration</b>	Swedish Research Institute (SRI)
9.15 – 9.30	<b>Welcoming remarks</b> Anders Ackfeldt, Director Swedish Research Institute Representative from Turkish partner Sverre Pedersen, Freemuse and UNESCO Representative  <b>Presentation of agenda</b> Sara Whyatt -	SRI
9.30 – 11.00 am	<b>Session 1: Presentation of organisations and their current challenges to documentation and monitoring</b> <i>Objective: understand current working conditions and challenges for participating organisations</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presentation of organisations (15 minutes each)</li><li>• Question &amp; Answer session (10 minutes after each presentation)</li></ul>	Moderation Ole Reitov
11.00-11.30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11.30-12.45 pm	<b>Session 2: Presentation of organisations continued</b>	
1.00-2.00 pm	<b>Lunch break</b>	
2.00-3.00 pm	<b>Session 3: Freemuse methodologies on documentation and monitoring and towards a common ground of categorization</b> <b>Objective:</b> To present to network partners how Freemuse over the years have categorised and prioritised issues and adapted methodologies and qualifying a common ground for categorization <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presentation (20 minutes)</li><li>• Discussion, qualification and development of common categorization (40 minutes)</li></ul>	Sara Whyatt & Ole Reitov
3:00-3:40 pm	<b>Session 4: QPR's, UPR's and complaints mechanisms</b> <b>Objective:</b> To present examples of collaborations on periodic reports to the UN and elaboration on pro and cons	
3.40-4.00 pm	<b>Session 5: Summing up of the day</b>	
7.00-9.00 pm	<b>Dinner</b>	

<b>DAY 3 – Saturday 24 FEBRUARY 2024</b>		
9.00 -12.30 pm	<b>Session 6: This is Istanbul</b> – Walking meeting with Turkish participants introducing parts of Istanbul and talking about artistic freedom in Turkey.	Istanbul
12.30 - 2.00 pm	<b>Lunch break</b>	
2.00 – 3:00pm	<b>Session 7:</b> Collaborations with other organisations and institutions <b>Objective:</b> To elaborate on experiences with collaborations on advocacy and documentation with other institutions, organisations and Human Rights monitoring groups	
3.00-4.45 pm	<b>Session 8:</b> Common Challenges/Common Solutions To identify common challenges faced by the participants and to identify means of meeting these  [include coffee break]	
4.45-5.00 pm	<b>Session 9:</b> Summing up of the day	

<b>DAY 4 – Sunday 25 FEBRUARY 2024</b>		
9.30-11.00 am	<b>Session 10: The way forward –</b> <b>Objective:</b> Discuss and describe how each network partner will follow up on workshop	Istanbul
11.00-12.00 am	<b>Session 11: Summing up</b> <b>Objective:</b> To sum up results of the workshop & any other business	
12.15 - 1.30 pm	<b>Farewell Lunch</b>	