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## Invitation to participate online in the Arts Festivals Summit 2022, Yerevan (Armenia), 11-15 September 2022.

Dear festival organizers, dear cities and regions' representatives,

It is with great pleasure that we are writing to you from the European Festivals Association (EFA) about the Arts Festivals Summit in Yerevan (Armenia) from 11 to 15 September 2022.

Yes! Festivals are more relevant than ever in the complex times we are living. An ongoing digital revolution, the impact of globalisation, the complexity of democracy, the current pandemic puts many issues on the table that arts and artists feel, are confronted with, and also festivals as organisational formats deal with.

The Arts Festivals Summit is the moment of connection and exchange between festivals putting all these experiences, proposals, questions, concerns, and actions on the table. A series of encounters, conversations, learnings and networking moments will mark our time in Yerevan, and of course: the discovery of a magical city, its arts and cultural community, its surroundings and its heritage. Yes: Yerevan is our place for the annual rendez-vous under the motto: EFA 70-Years-On.

120 festival makers as well as mayors, cities representatives, public authorities, artists and the media will meet in order to share thoughts, concerns, needs, and artistic proposals.

These are the Keynote speakers we have invited and are coming from different parts of the world. You can check the whole **<u>festivals programme</u>** on our website.

You can find more information about the Arts Festivals Summit.

Thanks to Summa Artium's partnership with the European Festivals Association, you are invited to participate in the sessions that will be available online. We kindly ask you to register here.

We are looking forward to e-meet you in Yerevan.

With kind regards,

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