



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

**2021 Support Fund**  
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**Application Deadline:** October 24, 2021 (11.59 pm EET)

**Project Time-Frame:** November 2021 – May 2022

## Goals and Contents

In response to the increasing isolation faced by cultural practitioners residing in Lebanon today, the Goethe-Institut Libanon is launching its **2021 Support Fund for artists, collectives and independent cultural professionals** to promote international networks and dialogues and support individuals or groups of individuals in the realization of jointly planned projects.

The 2021 Support Fund offers one-time financial support for the implementation of a new or ongoing project and seeks to facilitate international contacts, encounters and experiences for people living in Lebanon with the overall aim of fostering collaborative work processes and artistic research in local as well as transnational contexts.

## Eligibility

The focus of the fund is on collaborative projects and structures with a progressive approach as a working method between individuals and/or collectives based in Lebanon and other individuals and/or collectives based outside Lebanon.

The grant is intended to provide flexible financial support to individuals/collectives who do not have sufficient funds of their own to realize their projects or part of their projects and/or do not have enough time to adequately focus on their ongoing work or new projects they wish to work on, which can be used for the realization of a specific project or to cover costs incurred in the realization of such a project (e.g. rent of a workspace, studio for rehearsals, etc.)

Support includes, but is not limited to: the production of a work, a research residency, a workshop, a seminar, a podcast/radio project, a text production, the development of a work of research (in the form of a text, an audio, a short film, a book, a small exhibition, a podcast, etc.) and other forms of artistic work.

## ***Applicant's and project's eligibility***

Individuals or collectives currently based in Lebanon whose practice falls within one or more of the following disciplines and fields, and:

- Who either wish to work individually on a project
- Or wish to collaborate with an individual or collective based in or outside Lebanon
  
- Visual Arts (painting, sculpture, graphics, architecture, photography, media-art)
- Performance Arts (dance, theater, performance, music)
- Artists' moving image
- Critical and Creative Writing
- Artistic Research



### **Applicants must also meet the following criteria:**

- For individual application, person or collective must be based in Lebanon\*\*
- For joint applications, one of both applicants must be based in Lebanon\*\*
- Motivation and willingness to pursue an artistic practice in a collaborative way
- Able to demonstrate that they are committed to the project they are developing
- Must have already completed artistic work in the sought field (2-year experience)
- Willingness to report, document and present the project by the end of the grant agreement period and to provide written evidence of how the grant was used over the course of the funding period

### **Project proposals must meet the following criteria:**

- The proposal must have a clear outcome (whether practical or theoretical)
- The proposal must be feasible within seven months of the deadline for submission

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*Individual applications:*

*one entity – could be a person, or a collective*

*Joint applications:*

*two entities – could be a person and a collective, two collectives or two individuals*

*Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously benefited from Goethe-Institut Libanon's programmes or funding in the cultural field.*

### **Benefits**

For individual applications: up to 4000.00 EUR

For joint applications: up to 8000.00 EUR

Disbursement in one installment and for a project that can span a maximum period of 7 months (November 2021 – Mai 2022)

If needed, the team of the Goethe-Institut Libanon can offer support in establishing contacts with other Goethe-Institutes outside Lebanon.

### **Application Requirements**

Applications are to be completed and submitted with all required documents by October 24, 2021, 11.59 pm (EET) via an online application portal.

### **[Link to apply](#)**

Please upload the following documents in your online application. The documents should be in PDF format and must not exceed 10 MB/document. Documents are accepted in either English or Arabic languages.



**In the case of a joint application**, the application form must be submitted by the person or entity based in Lebanon, and the required information and documents should be submitted for both parties.

- CV (for joint applications and collectives: please submit a CV for each person participating in the project)
- Portfolio or work references (e.g., links to recordings, videos and other online presentations of works): qualifications and previous activities/projects performed in the last 2 years as evidence of work in the field sought (for joint applications and collectives: please submit a document for each person participating in the project, and, if available, for the collective itself)
- Motivation Letter: including a brief description of the current work status against the backdrop of the present situation in Lebanon
- Project proposal, including budget and time schedule

**For joint applications and collectives only:** Please upload an authorization letter (in English or Arabic) assigning one person to represent the team in all legal matters (e.g. concluding the agreement with the Goethe-Institut Libanon) and to receive the fund on behalf of the team, which also states that the grant amount will be distributed among the different actors of the project. This statement needs to be signed by all applicants on a printed paper and uploaded as a scanned copy. Digital signatures will NOT be accepted.

*The Goethe-Institut reserves the right to suspend the grant award and require reimbursement upon realizing fraud or infringement in any of the submitted documents.*

## **Selection Process**

Deadline for submission of the application form is 11:59 p.m. (EET) on October 24, 2021. Applications that are incomplete, sent after the deadline, or not submitted through the application portal will not be assessed. Only complete applications submitted online before the deadline will be taken into consideration. Candidates might be asked for additional documentation and/or information after the reception of the application.

The decision on funding and the amount of support per person or team will be made by an international jury. The members of the jury will be announced after the grant recipients have been announced.

All applicants, whether selected or not, will receive a response to their application two weeks after the application deadline\*\*. If selected, a grant agreement (in English) will be signed between the recipient and the Goethe-Institut Libanon.

*\*\*Please note that due to a high volume of applications and the confidentiality of the selection process, the Goethe-Institut Libanon does not provide individual feedback on the reasons why an application was not selected.*

## **Contact**

For more information or questions, please write to: [Libanon.kulturfonds@goethe.de](mailto:Libanon.kulturfonds@goethe.de)