

# Resilience Fund 2025

The Russian war of aggression against Ukraine has a dramatic impact on cultural life in the country. The work of artists, cultural and media professionals and civil society initiatives has become threatened or impossible in many respects.

The Resilience Fund 2025 is a project of the Goethe-Institut Ukraine to sustainably strengthen the resilience of cultural and educational actors and institutions who are registered and carry out their activities exclusively in Ukraine.

## Whom we fund

Ukrainian cultural organisations in the fields of theatre, dance, film, music, literature, visual arts, performance, architecture, library and museum.

## What we fund

We support structure-preserving projects of cultural organisations in Ukraine that contribute to resilience and preserving cultural diversity, in particular:

- Productions of new artistic positions in the context of contemporary Ukrainian society
- Cultural exchange through co-productions and partnerships
- Projects of digitising art collections of cultural organizations or cultural heritage objects
- Structural maintenance measures such as training, digital development, network building and safe spaces
- Contributions to festivals in Ukraine

Grant support can cover equipment and infrastructure costs intended directly for the project goals, as well as travel, personnel and operating costs.

We recommend applying for a budget of EUR 7,000-10,000. In exceptional cases and with adequate explanation funding of up to EUR 12,000 can be applied for.

Funding is not available for:

- Individuals and private Entrepreneurs
- Projects being realised outside Ukraine
- Organisations that are not based in Ukraine
- Projects already started
- Charitable projects and charity events
- Projects with party-political, religious or ideological content
- Scientific projects

## What is important for us

- Visibility of Goethe-Institut Ukraine as a project partner

## Funding criteria

- The organisation is able to implement the proposed project in the specified period of time and is able to expend all funding of the Resilience Fund not later than January 20, 2026
- The organisation is eligible to receive international funding and can ensure and demonstrate its use in accordance with public procurement law and anti-corruption standards and can deliver a compliant reporting within specified deadlines
- Relevance of the organization for the local cultural scene and civil society
- Quality and sustainability of the project proposal
- Plausible concept and feasibility in terms of time, staff and resources
- No official bankruptcy proceedings have been initiated or are pending against the organisation
- The organisation is currently not in an ongoing grant cycle with Goethe-Institut Ukraine including grant lines of EU-funded Programme House of Europe

Assets:

- Projects have a connection to Germany, either thematically or through a partnership
- Projects focus on topics like ecology / ecosystems, diversity / inclusion or decolonial disentanglements

## Required documents

- Completed online application form
- Project description and schedule
- Profile of the organisation
- List of participants or staff in the project with function and place of residence
- Financial plan with expenses and income incl. contributions in kind
- Confirmation of additional income
- Statement on the organisation's current financial situation in accordance with the fund's eligibility criteria
- Proof of legal form and registration of the applicant organisation
- Annual financial statements for the last two years or other documents such as audit reports or income/expenditure calculations or financial plans of projects already implemented or self-declaration of the impossibility of submitting such evidence

## Information about the application process

Deadline for submission is **October 12, 2025**

Application is only possible via Goethe Application Portal (GAP) from October 2, 2025 onwards. The application must be submitted in English.

Assessment will be made by an external jury. The decision on funding will be communicated on October 27, 2025.

The project must be implemented fully by **January 20, 2026** at the latest.

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