

OPEN CALL



Call for Applications: Lucky Supper Club 2026

Context

The Lucky Supper Club at the Goethe-Institut Korea has been creating a safe space for the past three years in which socially relevant topics are discussed over a shared meal. At its core are societal questions that can be addressed in a confidential setting. Aesthetic or artistic approaches are welcome but not required. For a total of four events in 2026, we are looking for individuals, duos, or collectives to propose concepts for one or two events within this format. The event language is Korean.

Objective and Thematic Framework

Objective: To create spaces where complex, controversial, or less visible social issues can be discussed respectfully, with curiosity, and in dialogue.

Examples of topics: Social justice, work and care, climate change, migration and belonging, digital public spheres, politics of memory, gender and diversity, etc.

Formats: Discussion rounds, moderated debates, participatory formats, lecture performances, workshops – as long as they foster exchange in a protected setting.

Concepts may include artistic or aesthetic elements but are not required. We welcome interdisciplinary, experimental, and community-oriented approaches.

Budget and Conditions

Budget per event: max. **€1,500** (including all fees for concept development, moderation/speakers, materials, possible travel costs, etc.).

Location/Time: Goethe-Institut Korea, Seoul. Evening event lasting approximately 2 hours.

Schedule: Spread throughout 2026, ideally one event per quarter. Specific dates will be agreed upon individually.

Support from Goethe-Institut: Provision of space and technical infrastructure, organizational support, and publicity. Additional support (e.g. accessibility measures) can be arranged.

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Who can apply and what do we expect?

Who: Curators, artists, activists, researchers, cultural mediators, collectives, and interdisciplinary teams.

Application documents:

- Concept description for 1-2 events (max. 2 pages), including objectives, structure, format, and target audience
- Short timeline and rough technical/organizational requirements
- Budget plan within the given limit
- CV or team profile (max. 2 pages)
- Contact information

Selection Criteria and Process

Criteria: Relevance of the topic for the local public; quality and clarity of the concept; suitability of the format for a protected, dialogical setting; feasibility within the budget; diversity of perspectives.

Process: A jury composed of Goethe-Institut Korea staff will make the selection. Selected projects will be invited for further coordination and scheduling.

Application and Contact

Deadline for submissions: **January 31, 2026** (receipt) via email to programm-seoul@goethe.de with the subject line Lucky Supper Club 2026 – [Your Name / Team Name].

For questions, please contact youeun.jung@goethe.de

Submission Notes

Concepts that have already been implemented elsewhere in an identical form are eligible but should clearly explain why implementing them within the Lucky Supper Club context adds value.

We look forward to bold, sensitive, and thoughtful proposals that will make Lucky Supper Club 2026 a place where societal questions are negotiated in community.

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