

EMU ACTIVITY PLAN 2023

1. General Assembly and European Music School Forum

- The 48th edition of the EMU General Assembly and Forum will be held in Stuttgart, Germany from May 18 to 21.
- Topic of the European Music School Forum: “Music teachers as the heart of music education”

2. Cooperation with the VdM on the EMU’s 50th anniversary celebrations

- Creation of an anniversary ensemble with students from the founding member countries of the EMU. Performances will be held in the frame of the General Assembly
- Publication of a brochure reflecting on the history of the EMU from 1973 to the present
- Composition of a dedicated piece for the EMU’s anniversary by student representatives from all countries member of the EMU

3. Capacity building webinar on cooperation with other arts

- Webinar on the topic of cooperation between arts and implications for music education held on 10 & 11 February
- Attendance was free of charge. 27 registrations from 15 European countries were received

4. Meeting of the boards on the topic of communication

- Organisation of an edition of the meeting of the boards in the fall of 2023 dedicated to the topic of communication
- As no location is defined yet, all members are invited to think about becoming host of the event

5. Revision of the EMU membership fees system and observer status

- Review of the system for calculating the membership fees of the EMU and on adopting a joint definition of the observer status
- First discussions to be held with the members at the General Assembly followed by a written consultation during the activity year

6. Review of the EMU4YOU platform

- Review of the EMU4YOU platform, especially focusing on the system enabling music school and student exchanges

7. Youth Music Festival MusiColours in Veszprem on May 26 to 28

- Providing advice and disseminating information on the festival to be held in Veszprém, Hungary from May 26 to 28 on the occasion of the European Capital of Culture 2023
- Around 1000 students are expected to perform on various stages across the city and the surrounding region

8. Cooperation with members

- Strengthening links with members at EMU board meetings hosted by members
- Collaboration with EMU regional groups and preparation of relevant topics
- Participation in general assemblies and further events of members
- Promotion of outstanding projects of EMU members

9. Membership development

- Identification of and making contact with relevant individuals in non-member countries
- Support in the creation of national networks of music schools in non-member countries

10. Cooperation with European and International cultural networks

- Hosting a dedicated session on music education at the EMC's annual conference, the European Forum on Music in Budapest (June 2023)
- Hosting a webinar on music education in cooperation with the EMC and partners in SCHEME
- Launch of a joint website with the AEC and EAS for the Steering Committee for the Harmonisation of Music Education in Europe (SCHEME)
- Contribution to the work of Music Quality Enhancement (Michaela Hahn currently represents the EMU on the board of MusiQue)
- Participation in EMC annual meetings and further events (Willem van Moort currently serves as treasurer for the EMC)
- Participation in events and meetings hosted by the IMC (Philippe Dalarun currently serves as internal auditor for the IMC)

11. Advocacy

- Issuing joint policy papers with the EMC and other major European cultural networks on relevant cultural policy matters
- Update and implementation of the European Agenda for Music (EMC) in cooperation with SCHEME
- Meetings and dialogue with local, national and EU politicians

12. Communication

- Regular updates of the website www.musicschoolunion.eu and its members area
- Issuing newsletters/ info bulletins (4 in total)

- Regular updates on relevant cultural policy developments and funding programmes for culture and education available at the European level

13. Presidium meetings

- 10 & 11 March in Cologne, Germany
- 17 & 18 May in Stuttgart, Germany
- Beginning of October in Vienna, Austria
- End of the activity year in Avignon, France (tbc)
- Additional online meetings to be held if needed