



The European League of Institutes of the Arts

# EXPANDING THE ARTS

**There is less than one month remaining until the deadline to contribute to the ELIA Biennial 2020!**

The concept of transdisciplinarity appears as a form of cooperation that opens up innovative perspectives, questions and solutions. Today, thinking and reflecting across disciplines has almost become a 'must'. In this context, transdisciplinarity in the arts goes beyond breaking silos between artistic disciplines as different as design and music. It raises the question of how arts and creative practices can collaborate with other fields to come up with innovative solutions and new formats.

The [ELIA Biennial 2020](#), hosted by [Zurich University of the Arts](#) from **18-21 November 2020** is dedicated to these new formats and the hinges between the most diverse disciplines in arts, sciences and society, both inside and outside the walls of academies and universities.

Representatives of ELIA member institutions from all artistic disciplines such as lecturers, researchers, artists, students, senior managers, administrators, international officers are welcome to submit to our [Call for Contributions](#) with:

- ( ) Projects in teaching and in research which are considered to be transdisciplinary or question this concept;
- ( ) Initiatives involving students as well as teaching and research staff in innovative ways to promote transdisciplinary collaborations;
- ( ) Proposals focusing on transdisciplinary institutional development, which might be in dimensions of content, methodology, organisation or all three;
- ( ) Unfinished projects that address problems in favour of solutions and are willing to discuss their inherent dilemmas or critical questions;
- ( ) Submissions that expand the format!

Our aim is to have proposals that are interactive, surprising, involving the audience and are not merely an academic paper presentation. Projects involving students or by students are also encouraged.

For more information, see the full [Call for Contributions here](#).

Submissions must be received via our [online form](#) by the deadline: **6 January 2020**.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Kind regards,  
The ELIA Team