

NEWSLETTER

GET INVOLVED! THE OPEN CALL IS NOW OPEN

A call to professional dancers across Europe

NewSteps has launched an open call for dance institutions in Finland, Bulgaria, Romania, Italy and Slovenia. Two institutions per country will be selected to help shape new dual-career pathways for dancers - supporting them before, during and after the transition beyond performance.

The call is aimed at dance schools, academies, companies, associations, networks, theatres, festivals and grassroots groups working with professional or semi-professional dancers. One place per country is reserved for a smaller or grassroots organisation, so experience with international projects isn't a requirement - motivation is. Applications are open until 12 October 2026.

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The opportunity

Selected institutions will offer six of their dancers over 25 a fully funded international experience: an e-learning course on cultural management, a training week in Sofia (2027) and the European event in Bucharest (2028), with travel, accommodation and allowances covered. They also gain access to project research and training materials to use internally with dancers and staff.

Beyond the practical side, participating organisations join a European network of dance institutions across five countries, gain visibility, open the door to new collaborations, and help shape policy recommendations that build more sustainable career pathways for dancers across Europe.



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