

RESOLUTION OF THE EUROFIA GROUP CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SCHEME FOR PROFESSIONAL TRANSITION OF DANCERS IN HUNGARY

The European group of the International Federation of Actors (EuroFIA) brings together performers' unions, guilds and professional associations from across the EU, EFTA and neighbouring countries, representing tens of thousands of performers, including dancers, across Europe. It met in Warsaw on 27-28th September.

EuroFIA is pleased to learn that, following the Hungarian workshop of the European project "*Dance Futures: Creating Transition Schemes for Dancers and Promoting Sustainable Mobility in the Dance Sector*" on the 22nd and 23rd of March 2017, a newly established working committee started to work on the creation of a transition scheme for dancers in Hungary.

The dancing career is strenuous and physically demanding, with dancers have notoriously short careers - usually having to consider a professional transition by their late 30's. They work long and late hours, often leaving little time to try and plan their working futures after they can no longer perform. Professional transition remains invaluable in order to offer a real spectrum of choice to dancers, as they approach their retirement from performance and thereby ensure that these skilled and highly trained individuals can continue to be an asset on the labour market.

EuroFIA strongly expresses its full support for, and solidarity with, the work of Színházi Dolgozók Szakszervezete (SDS) and MagyarTáncművészek Szövetsége (Hungarian Dance Association) to create a transition scheme for professional dancers in Hungary;

EuroFIA urges the Ministry of Human Capacities of Hungary to fulfil its commitment to the creation of a scheme that would change the lives of Hungarian dancers. It encourages the Minister of Human Capacities, Mr Zoltán Balog, who has expressed support for, and commitment to, the creation of the scheme, to see this important work through to a successful conclusion. The working committee will present a detailed project to the Ministry by December 2017.

The International Federation of Actors represents performers' trade unions, guilds and professional associations in about 70 countries. In a connected world of content and entertainment, it stands for fair social, economic and moral rights for audiovisual performers working in all recorded media and live theatre.

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