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REFLECT Lab #4
20 - 25 October 2019
Call for Participants

“Creation process with Circus professionals: observation, analysis and exchanges”

Deadline for applying:
11th of September 2019

Theme	“Creation process with Circus professionals: observation, analysis and exchanges”
Dates	Sunday 20 - Friday 25 October 2019
Target audience	Professional Circus School Teachers
Number of available places	20
Working language	English
Lab venue	The CIRCa Festival (Auch, France)
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***THE REFLECT LAB: A UNIQUE CHANCE FOR CIRCUS TEACHERS
TO MEET THEIR PEERS AND DISCUSS TEACHING PRACTICES
IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONTEXT***

PRESENTATION

REFLECT - “REFlection and Exchanges for Circus arts Teachers” - is an international project led by FEDEC in partnership with FFEC and funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Commission. The project gives the **possibility to circus arts teachers to take part in peer-to-peer exchange workshops** dedicated to circus arts teaching.

These workshops are called **REFLECT Labs**. Each lab provides a unique opportunity to meet circus arts teachers from all over the world and discuss, learn and share best practices about a defined topic.

The 4th and last REFLECT Lab will take place **in Auch, from the 20th until the 25th of October 2019**, during the [CIRCa festival](#), and it will explore the collective creation process of and with professionals, among the guiding questions of the Lab there will be: *how can teachers get inspired by the collective work of professionals and adapt it to their work with students?* The Lab will take advantage of the CIRCa festival: participants will observe performances of the festival and will discuss the creation process together with directors and artists.

Based on non-formal educational methodologies, the scheduled programme of activities will also give proper time to participants to enjoy the festival and its shows, and to later provide more food for thoughts during the Lab sessions.

Finally, on Friday 25th of October we will also celebrate the **official end of the REFLECT project**. It will be the chance to present the project results to a wide audience passionate about circus, to take track of what has been achieved and to greet everyone who contributed to the project since its starting in 2017.

Stimulating, inspiring, reassuring, friendly and inviting! GO!

Feedback from a participant of the REFLECT Lab #3, Rotterdam May 2019

*The meeting between professionals
allows to open our state of mind and to continue to evolve (...)*

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Sunday 20th Oct	Morning	Arrival of participants
	13.30	Welcome of the participants and presentation of the Lab
	15.00	Coffee Break
	15.35	Team-building activities
	17.30	Review of the day
	Evening	Free time
Monday 21st Oct	9.30	Workshop on collective creation
	11	Coffee Break
	11.15	Workshop discussions
	12.30	Lunch
	13.30	Free time for CIRC <i>a</i> Festival's performances
	18.00	Pre-performance preparation
	20.00	Circus collective performance at CIRC <i>a</i> Festival: "Born to be circus" (by Circo Zoé)
Thursday 22nd Oct	9.30	Workshop with artists and director 1
	11	Coffee Break
	11.15	Workshop with artists and director 2
	12.30	Lunch
	13.30	Free time for CIRC <i>a</i> Festival's performances
	20.00	Evening activity (optional)
Wednesday 23rd Oct	9.30	Workshops on mentoring
	11	Coffee Break
	11.15	Workshop on best practices
	12.30	Lunch
	13.30	Free time for CIRC <i>a</i> Festival's performances
	15.15	Workshop on dissemination
	16.30	Coffee Break
	18.15	Workshop on REFLECT project follow-up and future EU opportunities for Circus Schools
Tuesday 24th Oct	9.30	Individual Evaluation Workshop
	11	Coffee Break
	11.15	Group Evaluation Workshop
	12.30	Lunch
	13.30	Free time for CIRC <i>a</i> Festival's performances
	Evening	Free time
Friday 25th Oct	11.30	Official closing of the REFLECT 3-year project
	13.00	Departure of participants

SELECTION CRITERIA

- ❖ Being a teacher (or a frequent guest teacher) in a FEDEC school
- ❖ Being able and motivated to attend the full duration of the Lab
- ❖ **Eligibility for REIMBURSEMENT:** candidate must have an employment contract or volunteer contract with a REFLECT partner (the list of partners is available on the FEDEC website page: <http://www.fedec.eu/en/articles/2194-projet-reflect>)

Deadline for applications: **Wednesday September 11th 2019 at 12.00.**

Applicants will receive a response to their application by the 18th of September. Selected participants will then receive further information regarding the schedule activities and the logistics for the Lab.



FACILITATORS

The Lab will be managed by a team that will take care of logistics, facilitate activities, welcome feedbacks and monitor the group of participants. 2 facilitators and 1 coordinator (in charge of logistical and administrative tasks) are foreseen for Auch, more details will be provided in the next weeks.

WORKING LANGUAGE FOR THE LAB

The working language for the Lab will be **English**. All presentations, contributions and discussions are therefore expected to be in English. Nevertheless, proper methodologies will be used to facilitate dialogue and exchange among the group to include participants who may not feel comfortable with their English skills.



PARTICIPATION FEE

The participation to the LAB is free of charge.

Travel, accommodation and meals are to be covered by the sending schools or the participants themselves.

The REFLECT project will also cover the costs of facilities, spaces, working materials and coffee-breaks, as well as the tickets for the Circus performance that participants will observe on Monday 21st.

In addition, **participants coming from a school partner of the REFLECT project** (here you can see the project partners: <http://www.fedec.eu/en/articles/2194-projet-reflect>) **will receive a reimbursement** amount based on the following flat-rates:



- €520 if participants live 10-99 km away from Auch
- €680 if participants live 100-499 km away from Auch
- €775 if participants live over 500 km away from Auch

Once the applicant is selected as participant, the project coordinator will inform him/her of the due reimbursement amount.

This reimbursement shall be paid to the sending school after the Lab and upon providing the required support documents in due time.

Supporting documents to be provided for the reimbursement:

- The proof of **purchase of travel tickets** (plane, train, metro, shuttle and other invoices/receipts, if you come by car: receipts for petrol costs from your city of residence to Auch)



Important: service provider/freelance teachers (that is: paid by invoice) are usually not eligible for funding. If you have any questions/doubt regarding your eligibility for the Lab, please contact the project coordinator.

N.B. School directors are responsible for sharing the call for participants among their teachers and inviting them to apply. This Lab is to be considered part of the staff management and professional skills development policy. The sending school therefore agrees to authorise teachers to participate and consequently being absent for the total duration of the Lab. **Reimbursements will be paid only to sending schools** (not to personal accounts), thus sending schools are also expected to provide compulsory documentation in order to receive the due amount. Finally, sending schools are also expected to provide teachers with an insurance against the risks linked to their participation in Lab activities. If the participant is already covered by insurance policies previously stipulated, it is not necessary to stipulate a Lab-specific insurance.

HOW TO APPLY?

1. School directors are responsible for filling the application form you can find attached to this Call.
2. We accept a max. of 3 candidates per school.
3. Directors can send the application form duly filled and signed to lorenzo.albiero@fedec.eu by 1st of July 2019.
4. Selected participants will be informed by the end of July