

Press Information

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The museum agency launches fourth funding programme: “Find constellations” supports international exhibition partnerships with German collections

The Agency for International Museum Cooperation is launching “Find constellations” as its fourth funding programme within its International Programmes. Museums, exhibition venues, and memorial sites with their own collections, based in Germany, can apply for support for exhibition projects with international partner institutions until 30 September 2026. At its heart, the programme aims to open up museum collections for shared use across borders.

Museums use their collections to tell stories about cultures, societies, and historical contexts. “Find constellations” supports partnerships that seek to explore, expand, and open up these stories to new readings through international exchange. Bringing collections into motion, connecting them to global discourses, and forging new connections all depend on one crucial prerequisite: the responsible movement of objects. The museum agency therefore funds transport and logistics costs associated with packing, shipping, customs, insurance, restoration, and conservation. In this way, the “Find constellations” programme supports the shared use and contemporary presentation of collection holdings beyond Germany.

“Find constellations” now extends the museum agency’s existing portfolio of funding programmes to encompass transnational mobility. The aim is to increase the accessibility and visibility of works and objects from German collections, and to strengthen exchange between museums and exhibition venues worldwide.

Three further funding programmes are open to museums and museum professionals on a regular basis: “Open perspectives” offers research trips to dynamic museum regions, opening up new perspectives for future

international partnerships. **“Engage in dialogues”** supports dialogue formats between German museums and international partners to develop museum practice together and learn from one another. **“Set anchor points”** is aimed at museums looking to embed an international outlook and robust network within their institutional structures.

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About the Agency for International Museum Cooperation

The Agency for International Museum Cooperation strengthens the exchange between German museums and partners worldwide. It serves as advisor, service provider, and sparring partner for international cooperations involving German museums. The museum agency has three areas of work: **Services for Museums** – practical support such as consulting, professional development, and the assumption of organisational tasks, tailored to the specific needs of each cooperation project; **International Programmes** – funding programmes for international research, networking, and dialogue formats; and **Community Resources** – materials and inspiration for the conception and implementation of international cooperations. The museum agency's work is made possible by funding from the German Federal Foreign Office.

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