

Spotlight Taiwan Project Application Guidelines

**Ministry of Culture
Republic of China (Taiwan)**

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I. Objectives

To promote international cultural exchanges and cultivate a greater interest and appreciation of Taiwan's culture in the international community, the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of China (hereafter "the Ministry") is approaching professional art and culture organizations and leading universities to establish long-term cooperative relationships. The Ministry and partner organizations will both contribute resources to support a diverse array of enriching activities related to Taiwan's culture.

II. Eligibility

Arts, cultural, and educational institutions worldwide – including museums, performing arts centers, and arts organizations – are invited to submit proposals. Applicants with established influence and a capacity for mobilizing public participation or professional cultural circles will receive priority consideration for funding.

III. Funding Support

This global competitive project is designed to encourage both Parties to contribute resources for mutual benefit. In principle, the Ministry will provide funding support up to a maximum of **US\$40,000** per year for an approved project. Applicants who submit proposals for matching funding will receive priority consideration.

IV. Scope of Cooperation

The Ministry will support partner organizations' undertaking of the following themes and forms of activities:

1. Cooperation may include activities featuring a perspective on Taiwan's contemporary cultural scenes such as performing and visual arts, film, television, music, literature and publishing,

history and cultural heritage, crafts, the cultural and creative sector, or community empowerment.

2. Activities may be in diverse forms, including performances, exhibitions, film screenings, forums, workshops, expertise exchanges or personnel training. A comprehensive series of programs that comprises one or more of the aforementioned activities, or incorporate major local cultural events and resources, is also encouraged.

V. Application Procedure

1. Proposals shall be submitted to the closest overseas office of the Ministry (contact list available here: https://www.moc.gov.tw/en/submenu_309.html). Please include a detailed report and other required items outlined in Appendix I.
2. Proposals for Spotlight Taiwan 2021 shall be submitted by the overseas office to the Ministry no later than **October 30, 2020**, and results shall be announced in late **November 2020**. Late applications will not be accepted.

VI. Priority Considerations

1. **Influence:** Both the organization's capacity for coordinating events as well as its influence among professional cultural circles.
2. **Outstanding Theme:** The selection of a theme that highlights a unique aspect of Taiwan's diverse culture and enhances the nation's cultural profile on the world stage.
3. **Inclusive Proposal:** Diverse and professionally curated content, a reasonable budget, and the ability to attract and engage public participation.
4. **Innovative Promotion:** The effective utilization of multiple marketing channels and new media such as mobile apps, live video streams, and social networks.
5. **Networks & Resources:** The enhancement of the project's impact based on the organization's resources and connections (including the proposed self-funded amount towards the project) and its ability to mobilize professional cultural networks.

6. **Sustainable Framework for Collaboration:** A joint prospect that can be repeated, conducted on a long-term basis, and/or sustained by its previous results.

VII. Remittances & Audits

1. Any major alterations to the original proposal shall be detailed in a written letter and submitted to the Ministry's overseas office one month prior to the start of the event(s). Upon notification, the Ministry reserves the right to adjust funding accordingly.
2. All approved projects shall be completed before November 10, **2021**. Required documentation such as the final report, expenditure table detailing all project expenses, and receipt(s) of the amount funded by the Ministry must be submitted to the Ministry's overseas office by **November 30, 2021**. Any unspent funds shall be reimbursed to the Ministry as well.

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Attachment 1

Proposal Requirements For the Spotlight Taiwan Project

1. Project Title
2. Organization
Please include the division and full name of the applying organization, together with a brief assessment of the outlook and summary of the organization.
3. Applicant / Contact Window
Please include a brief CV, job title, telephone, and e-mail.
4. Project Objectives
5. Project Content
Please provide detailed information of the planned events, collaborative partners, and focus of these events. Should the organization wish to invite groups or personnel from Taiwan to participate, these requests should be included in the proposal as well.
6. Timetable
Please provide a detailed schedule for implementing the proposed events, including dates and duration.
7. Marketing Plan
Please describe a multi-channel regional marketing approach (such as a dedicated webpage, print campaign, media coverage, press release, informational meeting, or press conference) for promoting the events.
8. Budget
Please provide a budget plan that states the estimated total

expenditure, the amount and percentage of expenditure to be shared by each participating organization (including the amount requested from the Ministry), as well as other sources of funding.

9. Scale of Project

Please introduce all participating personnel and organizations and the significance of their contributions (such as venue, equipment, or administrative support).

10. Projected Results and Future Plans