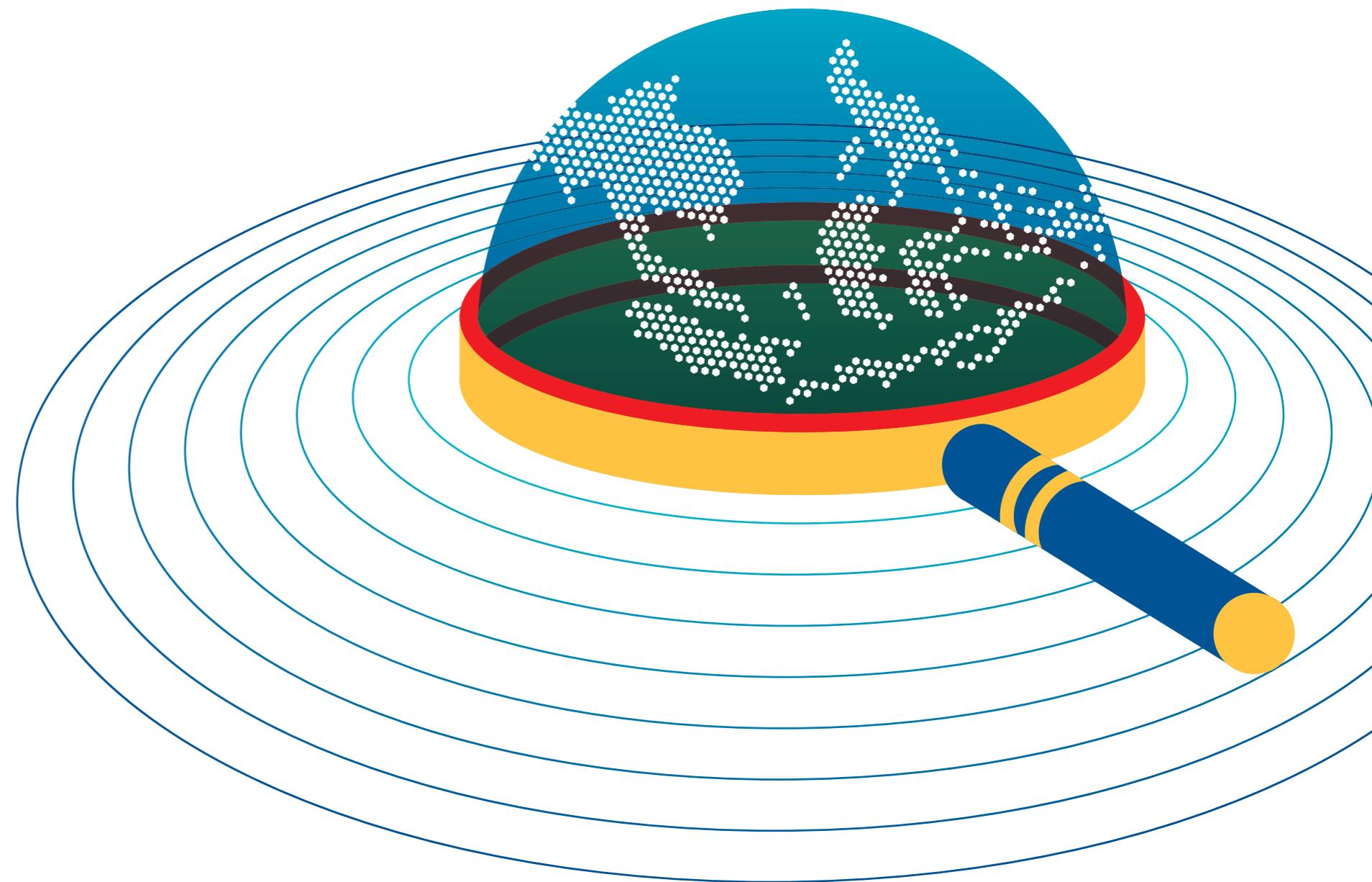


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The main objectives of this Guide are to make available online the existing information on funding that supports the international mobility of artists and cultural operators from the Lao PDR and to provide input to funders on how to fill in the existing funding gaps for international cultural exchange in Asia and the Lao PDR in particular.

This Guide follows the existing model of the *Guide to funding opportunities for the international mobility of artists and culture professionals in Europe*ⁱ, first produced by the Foundation Interarts, On the Move and PRACTICS.

In this **2016-2017 Edition**, you will find funding opportunities for the Lao PDR in most artistic and cultural disciplines. Please note that we could not identify funding schemes at a national level. However, you will find in this Guide a comprehensive list of regional and international sources of funding - both public and private.

This Guide focuses on the Lao PDR, in the framework of the 20 Asian countries of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM)ⁱⁱ on Asia (ASEM Asian partner countries including the Lao PDR) and is organised around different themes, including culture and development. Other nationals who do not have a dedicated country guide may be interested to check this Guide for additional sources of funding.

Only regular opportunities accessible online are listed. The mentions of Public, Private and Public/Private have been added next to the funding schemes to highlight the source(s) of the said funding. Not included are: funds for which information is only available offline, funds that are not based on open calls, and ad hoc or short-term funding.

For a full overview of the methodology and scope of the research, please refer to the Mobility Funding Guide's *General Introduction*ⁱⁱⁱ.

This Guide is an attempt to gather all the resources in one document and is by no means complete. As we aim to update it on a regular basis through further research and input from the field, your feedback is crucial.

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Funding organisations and schemes underlined are relevant for the Lao PDR (on a regular basis or depending on the country in focus for some schemes).

For more details on the funding organisations and related schemes below, please refer to the Cultural Mobility Funding Guide - Focus on Asia: http://culture360.asef.org/wp-content/download/mobility/Asia_MobilityFundingGuide.pdf

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