

Advocating networks today Focus group

21 March 2016, Brussels 11:00- 15:00 Culture Action Europe Office @BOZAR

11:00- 11:30 Getting to know each other Sharing expectations

11:30- 12:00 Introductions

The political state of play in Europe -and its impact on culture and networks- **Katherine Heid**Reflections on networks- **Ivor Davies**

12:00- 12:30 Exchange

12:30-13:00 Input

Cultural networks and the digital age: analysing outreach and impact- Robert Manchin

13:00- 14:45 Further exchanges and discussions, subjects may include:

What can networks achieve that is essential for today's challenges? Do we live up to this potential? How do networks today need to transform to respond to broader contemporary social and political environments?

What challenges are networks faced with today?

How can our strengths be explained to European and national decision makers and members?

Devising advocacy guidelines: What do networks need from political decision makers?

14:45- 15:00 Output and further strategy