The campaign #culture2030goal has released a Statement on Culture and the COVID-19 pandemic. Its official launch will take place on 21 May 2020, the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development. The date illustrates the commitment of the campaign to the achievement of the 2030 Agenda and the need to ensure that culture is at the heart of the UN Decade of Action for the Sustainable Development Goals.

The #culture2030goal campaign is formed by global cultural networks united to advocate for the role of culture in sustainable development. The campaign welcomes endorsements of the Statement via this page, and calls on the culture community to come together to advocate collectively for the role of culture at the United Nations.

The Statement builds on previous work done by the campaign: the four documents published in 2013-2015 (including a #CultureGoal proposal, a declaration, a proposal of possible indicators for measuring the cultural aspects of the SDGs, and an assessment of the final 2030 Agenda) as well as the report “Culture in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda” published in September 2019.

The Statement emphasises the need to place culture at the heart of the response to the Covid-19 crisis today and at the centre of all endeavours, at all scales, to rebuild our societies, tomorrow.

Representatives of the eight networks who have signed the Statement will take the floor: Arterial Network, Culture Action Europe, ICOMOS - International Council on Monuments and Sites, IFCCD - International Federation of Coalitions for Cultural Diversity, IFLA - International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions, IMC - International Music Council, Latin American Network of Arts for Social Transformation and UCLG (United Cities and Local Governments) Culture Committee - Agenda 21 for Culture.

**SPEAKERS**
- IFCCD Beat Santschi;
- Arterial Network Pierre Claver Mabiala;
- Culture Action Europe Robert Manchin and Tere Badia;
- IMC Silja Fischer;
- IFLA Stephen Wyber;
- ICOMOS Ege Yıldırım;
- UCLG culture José Alfonso Suárez del Real, Catarina Yaz-Pinto [TBC], Enrique Avogadro and Jordi Pascual;
- WHO Christopher Bailey

**LAUNCH DETAILS**
- **YOUTUBE:** [www.youtube.com/user/iflahq](http://www.youtube.com/user/iflahq)
- **FACEBOOK:** [www.facebook.com/IFLA.org](http://www.facebook.com/IFLA.org)

**CONTACT**
- **MAIL:** info@culture2030goal.net
- **WEB:** [www.culture2030goal.net](http://www.culture2030goal.net)