



# WWW.OPEN-THE-DOOR.EU



## Festivals

Open doors. Open minds.  
Build societies!



The collective and affiliate members of the European Festivals Association

- Association of Irish Festival Events • Association of Slovenian Festivals
- British Arts Festivals Association • Czech Association of Music Festivals
- Estonian Music Festivals • Federation of Music Festivals in Flanders • Finland Festivals
- France Festivals • ItaliaFestival • Norway Festivals
- Rotterdam Festivals • Spanish Association of Classical Music Festivals
- Swedish Music Festivals • European Conference of Promoters of New Music
- Fondation ProQuartet • Réseau Européen de Musique Ancienne • Union of European Theatres

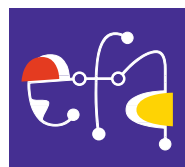
representing more than 1000 festivals

at the occasion of the EFA Collective and Affiliate Members' Meeting  
hosted by Swedish Music Festivals (SMF) in Stockholm/Sweden  
taking place from 11 until 14 February 2010

hereby confirm the endorsement of the Access to Culture Platform's Policy Guideline Paper and confirm the commitment to work towards the goals as laid down in the working document 'Festivals! Open doors, Open minds, Build societies.'

We share the belief that it is fundamental to uphold Article 27 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations in 1948, which states that **"everyone has the right to freely participate in the cultural life of the community, to enjoy the arts."**

As these are not only moral issues but also legal obligations we strongly urge public authorities and policy makers at local, regional, national and European level to implement the recommendations laid down in above quoted documents and continue engaging in a wealthy dialogue with civil society.



ACCESS TO CULTURE



A fundamental right of all citizens

