

Experience letter: Ana Letunić, PSR NORSE/Convention Ljubljana

During 7th - 10th April 2019, I participated at the International Conference Network of Residencies in South-East Europe #NORSE, realized in a frame of NDA programs and LLB program lines Convention and PSR. A gathering of decision makers, cultural workers and dance professionals from fourteen cities in South-East Europe, who addressed creation of a network of residencies as a model of institutionalized and decentralized centre for contemporary dance organized by the Nomad Dance Academy Slovenia and Centre for Urban Culture Kino Šiška with the support of the City of Ljubljana and numerous local and international partners. My task was to attend the entire programme, follow the conference and make a wrap up at the end. As a lecturer, PhD researcher and cultural producer in the field of cultural policy and contemporary performing arts, the opportunity to participate at this gathering presented a relevant experience for me due to having exchanged knowledge and experiences with practitioners from various contexts in the SEE region. #NORSE exceeded my expectations in terms of discussions, support from peer and senior colleagues and the opportunities to collaborate in the region. The short but productive experience at the Centre for Urban Culture Kino Šiška opened up many possibilities for rethinking future models of regional residences and collaborations in the contemporary dance field.

Looking forward to meeting you all again.

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