

About Cultur-ARCH

Sharing a common culture of architecture in Europe 2025-2028

Cultur-ARCH is a Creative Europe-funded programme led by the Architects' Council of Europe (ACE). It strengthens the capacity of the European architectural sector to collectively address shared challenges, including the European Green Deal, the promotion of high-quality architecture, diversity, inclusion and equality, professional upskilling, digitalisation of design processes, professional mobility, and the export of architectural services.

Through collaboration, knowledge exchange and targeted actions, Cultur-ARCH reinforces architecture's role as a cultural, social, economic and environmental asset across Europe and beyond.

Objectives

Cultur-ARCH is structured around six interrelated objectives:

- Empowering the architectural profession
- Enabling European architects to better respond to current and future challenges facing the profession.
- Architecture for the people
- Enhancing the role of architecture in society and its contribution to wellbeing, inclusion and quality of life.
- Architecture for the planet
- Unleashing the transformative power of architecture to support sustainability and climate action.

Co-creative partnerships

Strengthening the capacity of European architects to engage in international collaboration and operate beyond EU borders.

Digital transformation

Supporting the architectural sector in fully embracing digital technologies to enhance competitiveness and innovation.

Knowledge, data and best practices

Collecting, analysing and disseminating data, knowledge and good practices related to architecture and the profession.

Key Activities

Cultur-ARCH delivers 24 activities, including:

Organisation of public events to represent the sector, address key challenges and foster professional networking

Publication of studies and surveys to generate new knowledge on the architectural profession and market

Development of tools, information and agreements to facilitate professional mobility and support the export of architectural services

Production of training and learning materials to support upskilling

Development of a dedicated mobile application for architects

Design and delivery of a touring exhibition

Promotion of the New European Bauhaus initiative

Beneficiaries

ACE Member Organisations

Approximately 620 000 individual European architects and 150 000 architectural practices

Organisations and individuals with an interest in the built environment

Public authorities at local, regional, national and European levels

Expected Results

Stronger collaboration, networking and peer learning across the ACE network

Increased awareness of the value and benefits of high-quality architecture

Improved representation of the profession's interests at European level

Increased professional mobility and export of architectural services, contributing to jobs and growth

Enhanced skills through shared knowledge and best practices

Promotion of a shared European culture of architecture

Outputs

Public events and conferences; studies and surveys; expert peer-learning meetings; Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) meetings; a mobile application and electronic certification tools; publications; and the production and touring of an exhibition.