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A yearlong celebration of Euro-Mediterranean
identities and cooperation



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Event

Description

Hypatia Art Week

Hypatia Art Week is a women artists' event celebrating International Women's Day 2025, featuring a series of artistic and cultural activities over the course of a week, including a visual arts exhibition, a fashion show, an art residency, workshops, a music night, a folklore show, and archaeological site & museum trips, among others.

Time

22-27 February
2025

Place

Alexandria

This event presents a valuable opportunity for cultural exchange and diversity, fostering an international network of artists from different artistic disciplines and regions. By showcasing diverse forms of artistic expression—including visual arts, photography, film screenings, folklore performances, and live music concerts—this event aims to create an inspiring space that highlights the creativity, resilience, and cultural contributions of young women artists and provide them with a platform to present their work to a broader audience, fostering growth, scalability, and economic sustainability.





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Alex Med Cultural Forum: The Mediterranean Bonds That Unite Us

The **Alex Med Cultural Forum: The Mediterranean Bonds That Unite Us** will celebrate Alexandria as the first Mediterranean Capital of Culture and Dialogue. Over three days, the forum will explore the region's shared heritage, contemporary challenges, and future opportunities through keynote speeches, panel sessions, exhibitions, and performances.

Time

21-23 October 2025

Day one focuses on **common roots and Mediterranean identity**, with discussions on historical ties, cultural exchange, and the launch of the Mediterranean Capitals of Culture and Dialogue initiative. Exhibitions on deltas, Alexandria's heritage, and Mediterranean food will run throughout the event.

Place

Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Alexandria

Day two addresses **current Mediterranean realities**, including migration, environmental challenges, and architecture as a unifying language, complemented by artistic performances.

Day three turns to the **future of cooperation**, with debates on youth, creativity, networks, and innovation. The forum concludes with shared recommendations and a cultural dinner, highlighting dialogue as the region's lasting bond.



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Description

**Education
and Skills for
Employment**

Time

**2-3 December
2025**

Place

Alexandria

The Education and Skills for Employment event brings together UfM-labelled projects focused on enhancing education and skills development across the Mediterranean region. This meeting aims to foster collaboration and share best practices among key stakeholders, including policymakers, educators, and youth organizations. Participants will discuss innovative approaches to improve employability, address regional challenges, and align education with labor market needs, ensuring that young people gain the skills required to thrive in today's competitive global economy.





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Risk to World Heritage Sites across the Mediterranean from rising sea levels

The Mediterranean coastline is rich in cultural legacies from various ancient civilizations, including the Phoenicians, Greeks, Egyptians, Romans, Byzantines, and more. These historical treasures have endured through the ages, but are now facing a pressing threat from climate change. Rising sea levels are endangering cultural heritage sites situated in vulnerable coastal regions.

Time

16-17 December 2025

Place

Alexandria

Tourism, closely tied to cultural and natural heritage, plays a vital role in the economies of many Mediterranean communities, making the need for climate adaptation even more critical. Throughout the region, 49 UNESCO World Heritage Sites are located in coastal areas at risk, including famous destinations like Alexandria in Egypt, Carthage in Tunisia, Venice in Italy, and the island of Delos in Greece.





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