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ASEM Cultural Festival: *Europe meets Asia, Asia Meets Europe* takes place 18-30 October 2018 in Brussels, Belgium. This October, as Heads of State and Government from 53 ASEM partners gather in Brussels, a festival of dance, digital art, film, music, theatre and visual arts will also arrive in Brussels.

As Heads of State and Government from 53 [Asia-Europe Meeting \(ASEM\)](#) partners gather for the [12th ASEM Summit \(ASEM12\)](#) in Brussels this October, the creativity and cultural diversity of Asia and Europe will also be highlighted through a festival of dance, digital art, film, music, theatre and visual arts during the ASEM Cultural Festival.

On 18-19 October 2018, the European Union hosts ASEM12, bringing together ASEM leaders to discuss ideas for strengthening dialogue and co-operation between the two continents. An official side-event of ASEM12, the ASEM Cultural Festival titled '*Europe meets Asia, Asia meets Europe*' will run from 18 to 30 October 2018.

Brussels' leading cultural institution, [Centre for Fine Arts-Brussels \(BOZAR\)](#), will host the ASEM Cultural Festival. The two-week festival will offer a diverse range of programming from Asia and Europe including performances, exhibitions, and discussions. Highlights of the Festival include:

- The opening event: a specially commissioned digital and music performance under the artistic direction of renowned Belgian visual artist, Honoré d'O, will be held on 18 October 2018
- A public forum: on 22 October 2018, two leading architects from Asia and Europe, Wang Shu and Paul Robbrecht, will be together for a conversation on the topic of architecture and heritage.

Over two weeks, an eclectic mix of music, dance and theatre performances, visual and photography exhibitions, and film screenings will be presented.

See the full list of events here: [ASEM Cultural Festival Programme](#)

See the video teaser here: [ASEM Cultural Festival Video](#)

The festival is organised by Centre for Fine Arts-Brussels (BOZAR) with the support of the European Union and the Asia-Europe Foundation (ASEF).

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