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The International Society for the Performing Arts (ISPA) Congress takes place in Leeuwarden-Friesland, 2018 European Capital of Culture, in the Netherlands from 11-15 June. Registration is open. The congress theme is **Off the Beaten Track**.

ISPA congresses are attended by more than 500 leaders from more than 50 countries representing different genres and disciplines within the performing arts field. Programming is geared toward both established and emerging leaders in the performing arts. The congress attendees include presenters, festivals, producing companies, artist managers, consultants and government cultural leaders.

The UN predicts that by 2050, 66% of the world population will live in cities. And yet, **humankind seems to flourish in smaller communities**, regardless of calling the city or the countryside home. In a world that is tense with populism, climate change, conflict and massive migration, the significance of these territories in society seems to be changing. What role

do the performing arts choose to play in this transition and in particular, in the countryside?

Come and explore the unique countryside of Leeuwarden and Friesland, enjoy site-specific theatre on the renowned landscape arts festival Oerol on the island Terschelling, and engage in these questions, against the backdrop of the rich program of the European Capital of Culture!

Registration is open (Earlybird rate till April 13).

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