## Audience Blending by Arts

Innovative Bilingual Theatre for deaf and hearing actors

Friday 4 October, 2019 9:30- 16:30

European Economic and Social Committee Room TRE 7701 Trèves Building, 7th floor, 74 rue de Trèves 1040 Brussels

"Audience Blending by Arts" (ABBA) is a European project which aims to explore new ways of producing inclusive arts, for inclusive audiences. Through the creation of Sign and Sound Theatre, the project partners worked on bringing the deaf and hearing community together through inclusive bilingual theatre. After two years and 5 performances of the bilingual theatre play "Kukonor" in 5 countries, the project partners will share this experiment with all those interested in the artistic field and this unique theatre method.

With representatives from the European institutions working in the field of arts, culture and disability the conference will open with a policy debate on arts and inclusion. The ABBA project partners will then present the results of the project and discuss with all participants how this bilingual theatre method can be further developed. Is innovative bilingual theatre a method to combine audiences? How can we spread this theatre technique throughout Europe and European festivals? Join us on the 4th October 2019 as we share ideas and experiences and answer these questions.

It is possible to receive financial support for participants to attend this event. If you are based in Europe and would require this support, please write to the project coordinator Ivo Peeters at ivo.peeters@dezeyp.be before the 15th of July.

Participation in this conference is free of charge.





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## Audience Blending by Arts Innovative Bilingual Theatre for deaf and hearing actors Welcome and registration 9:30 Introduction by 10:00 Eero Enqvist, 'Kukunor' author Ivo Peeters, Project leader Policy debate on arts and inclusion Representatives of EESC, EP, EC, 10:30 EASPD and ENCC ABBA - Presentation of 11:20 the project and the results 12:30 Networking lunch 14:00 Dynamic debate Sharing experiences Blending audiences a challenge? **Conclusions and drinks** 16:30 Bilingual theatre...how to spread? **Networking Dinner** 20:00 at GC De Zeyp, Zeypstraat 47 1083 Ganshoren provided by ABBA Register at www.encc.eu centar ACCAC za kulturu trešnievka Co-funded by the voarte Creative Europe Programme

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