



# Kunstenloket vzw (The arts office npo)

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# 1. Presentation of Kunstenloket



### 1. Presentation of Kunstenloket

- 2004: foundation of Kunstenloket
- Subsidised by the Flemish Ministry for Culture
- Members board of management:
  - Representatives from employer organisations
  - Representatives from trade organisations
  - Representatives from policy bureaus
- 4 full time employees
- Mission: Giving business and legal advice for anyone involved in the artistic professions

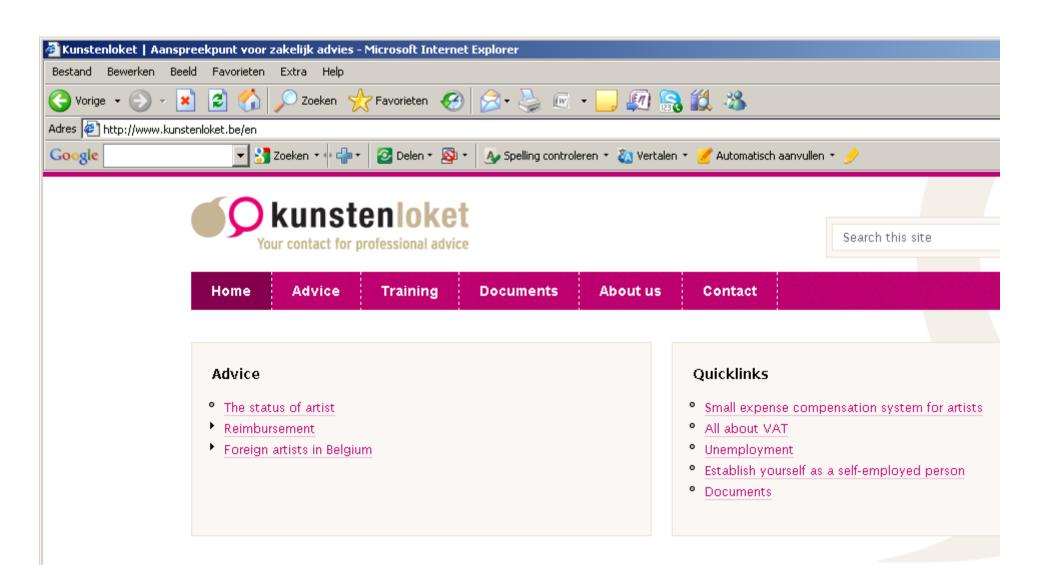


# 2. Kunstenloket as Mobility Info Point



### 2. KL as Mobility Info Point

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#### Foreign artists in Belgium

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- Subsidies
- Labour market
- Training and work placements
- Residencies
- Meeting places and events
- Management companies in Belgium
- Hiring of equipment, rehearsal spaces and workshops/studios
- Contacts, supporting organisations and interest groups

#### Foreign artists in Belgium

- What should you know about Belgium before you leave?
- · What are your obligations if you receive compensation?
- · Where can you find interesting information on the web?

Do you want to work in Belgium? Then there are several things to consider. You must satisfy a number of obligations if you receive compensation. To be well prepared, you should also scour a number of websites.

#### What should you know about Belgium before you leave?

You may already know that King Albert and Queen Paola are our sovereign rulers. But do you also know what Belgians like to eat or drink? Or what sort of weather you can expect?

Find out all about Belgium.

#### What are your obligations if you receive compensation?

How do things work as regards the compensation you receive for your work in Belgium? Are you liable for taxes, social security contributions or VAT? And what about your visa, professional card or work permit?

Find out what you have to do if you receive compensation for your work in Belgium.

#### Where can you find interesting information on the web?

You will find a great deal of information on the Internet if you want to work in Belgium. We can help you



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#### Labour market

Would you like to work in Belgium?Then you should definitely take a look at the following websites.

#### General vacancies

- VDAB (Flanders)
- . FOREM (Wallonia), Walloon public service for employment and training
- ACTIRIS (Brussels-Capital Region)
- · ADG (German-speaking Community)
- · The social guide

#### Jobs in the artistic sector

- Flanders:
  - CultuurNet specialises in cultural marketing
  - Locus: search 'vacancies'
- Wallonia: website of t:he French Community that provides an overview of all jobs in the cultural sector.

#### Jobs in the performing arts

- Music:
  - Classical:Music Centre
  - Pop:Poppunt
- Stage:



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## Payments (visa, work permits, taxes, social security contributions etc.)

- You stay in your country of residence, but receive a remuneration from a Belgian client
- You live in an EU Member State and come to work in Belgium
- You live in a non-EU country and come to work in Belgium

#### Payments (visa, work permits, taxes, social security contributions etc.)

What about the remuneration you receive for your work in Belgium? Are you liable for taxes, social security contributions or VAT? And what about your visa, work permit or professional card? It all depends on your specific situation:

- · You stay in your country of residence, but receive a remuneration from a Belgian client
- · You come to work in Belgium from an EU country
- . You come to work in Belgium from a country outside the EU

The countries of the EU are: Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Spain, the Czech Republic, the United Kingdom and Sweden.

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#### Complete Article 17 of OECD Model Convention.

#### Overview for European countries:

Country	Year	May Belgium levy taxes? (if Article 17(1) applies)	May Belgium levy taxes if the salary is not paid to the performing artist, but to other persons such as the manager or the theatre company?(if Article 17(2) applies)	Exemption from taxes in Belgium?(if Article 17 (3) applies)
Bulgaria	1988	Yes	No	Yes for subsidized/cultural exchange
Cyprus	1996	Yes	Yes	Yes for subsidized person
Denmark	1969	Yes	No	No
Germany	1967	Yes for self- employed persons	No	No
Estonia	1999	Yes	Yes	Yes for subsidized person
Finland	1976	Yes	Yes	No
France	1964	No		



## 3. Added value to be an Info Point



### 3. Added value

- Exchange of knowledge / experiences
- Be part of an international network
- Helps that your organization is known on national and international level



### More information?

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