



To celebrate GO!BORDERLESS NOVA GORICA / GORIZIA EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CULTURE 2025 and the 25th Anniversary of the Florence Convention, UNISCAPE aims to contribute to both by reclaiming people's perceptive power in Landscape to challenge existing borders, and reconnect with the ecology of planetary boundaries. The festival investigates the reawakening of human perceptual capacity and subjectivity as a means of reconnecting humans and the earth's limits through deeply sensory engagement with landscapes, emphasizing perception and landscape dimension as a pathway to understanding ours and respecting planetary systems' inherent boundaries.

On the first day, all participants, members of the UNISCAPE network, observer organizations and representatives from interested institutions, within an open meeting of the UNISCAPE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, will discuss the development of the landscape alliance, the relaunch of the Florence Convention, and future common challenges to keep the landscape cause alive.

The meeting will also serve as a launch platform for the 2025 edition of the **NEXT GENERATION LANDSCAPE FORUM**, dedicated to early researchers, students, and young people, encouraging engagement with a broader audience beyond academic circles to highlight the significance of landscapes, landscape studies, and research in cultural, political, economic, and social contexts.

The second day will open the **LANDSCAPE ATELIERS**, which will showcase and discuss the contributions of the call. The selected contributions should showcase the art-based approach, be interactive and diverse, incorporate various media (design installations, performative video/texts/interviews), and, where possible, emphasize the interdisciplinary nature of our work. The event aims to highlight the work of UNISCAPE-affiliated universities and sister organizations on the theme of Landscape, Borders, Borderscapes, and the migrating nature of people and nature across borders, territories, disciplines, identities, and rules.

The third day will be dedicated to the visits and all other forms of informal interactions.

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JOIN US to showcase your creative practices and interdisciplinary approaches that rethink borders and foster new connections with landscapes. Let's explore together how subjective perception and perception and imagination can go beyond borders and reconnect people, society, and the Earth's boundaries.



UNISCAPE LANDSCAPE FESTIVAL

ON THE BORDERS OF THE PLANET

Official Programme of GO! Borderless – Nova Gorica/Gorizia European Capital of Culture 2025 23–25 June 2025 | EPIC, Kolodvorska pot, Nova Gorica

MONDAY, 23 JUNE 2025 OPENING DAY

08:30 - 09:00 Registration

09:00 - 09:15

Opening and welcome speech by local authorities

- Mija Lorbek, Director GO! 2025
- Rodolfo Ziberna, Mayor of Gorizia
- Samo Turel, Mayor of Nova Gorica

09:15 - 09:30

Welcome and presentation of the initiative

Saša Dobričič, UNISCAPE President, University of Nova Gorica

09:30 - 10:00

Opening address by Council of Europe guest authorities

- Nino Latsabidze, Directorate of Social Rights, Health and Environment, Council of Europe
- Antonio Jesús Antequera Delgado, Vice-Chair of the 13th Conference on the Implementation
 of the Council of Europe Landscape Convention, Ministry of Culture and Sport of Spain

10:00 - 11:30

Keynote Presentations

A journey through the realms of the Landscape dimension

- Andreja Gomboc, Astrophysicist, University of Nova Gorica
- Bruno Doedens, Land Artist, CIRCLE4CHANGE
- Gregor Božič, Film Director and Cultivator of Gardens
- Stojan Pelko, GO! 2025 Programme Head

11:30 - 11:45 Coffee Break





11:45 - 13:00

UNISCAPE in Action

Keeping the landscape dimension alive across universities and disciplines Moderators:

- Margherita Vanore, UNISCAPE vice-President, Università luav di Venezia,
- Conor Newman, UNISCAPE vice-President, National University of Galway Ireland

11:45 - 12:00

Presentation and launch of the

Nova Gorica-Gorizia University Declaration on Borderless Landscapes

- Saša Dobričič, UNISCAPE President, University of Nova Gorica
- Tessa Matteini, UNISCAPE Director, University of Florence

12:00 - 12:30

University Networks and Alliances: Opportunities and Challenges

- Boštjan Golob, Rector, University of Nova Gorica
- Benno Albrecht, Rector, University IUAV of Venice
- Lluís Serra Majem, Rector, University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria

12:30 - 12:45

Presentation and launch of the Humboldt Summer School and Humboldt Prize

Juan Manuel Palerm, UNISCAPE Special Advisor to the President

12:45 - 13:00

Concluding remarks and announcement of the Next Generation Landscape Forum

13:00 - 15:00 Lunch Break

15:00 – 15:30 Exhibition Tour: Landscape Festival On the Borders of the Planet

15:30 - 17:00

UNISCAPE Next Generation Landscape Forum

Moderated by UNISCAPE Executive Board / Representatives

- Open forum on the future of landscape by student teams
- Election of student representatives to the UNISCAPE Executive Board

17:00 - 18:30

UNISCAPE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

19:30 Dinner & Evening Social Event





TUESDAY, 24 JUNE 2025 LANDSCAPE ATELIERS

EPIC, Kolodvorska pot, Nova Gorica

09:00 - 09:30 Registration

09:30 - 13:00

Landscape Ateliers

Thematic roundtables with presentations and dialogue among invited guests and participants

13:00 – 14:30 *Lunch*

14:30 - 15:00

Opening and visit of Bruno Doedens' exhibition

Circle4Change – tour 2025: A tree cycles through Europe

15:00 - 17:00

Landscape Ateliers - continued

Thematic roundtables and final outcome presentations

Workshop with Bruno Doedens (TBC)

17:00 onward - Coffee & Dessert

Free Time & Chat

Evening Note:

Informal dinner gathering (self-paid, reservation required)

Massive Attack concert, Piazza Casa Rossa, Gorizia (tickets online)

WEDNESDAY, 25 JUNE 2025 OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES DAY ECoC 2025 Sites | Slovenian Statehood Day

- Visit to the orchard in Kojsko, Atlas of the forgotten orchards
- Guided tour through Nova Gorica / Gorizia ECoC 2025 sites with the Rafut Park visit and Parco Basaglia



EVENT VENUE | EPIC, Kolodvorska pot, Nova Gorica SLO

ADMISSION | Free with registration: https://forms.gle/nGCrS39EeAmoyY3y9

ACCOMMODATION |

- Hotel Sabotin, Cesta IX. korpusa 35, 5250
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- ➡ Find more on the BORDELESS MAP

DUST, A BORDERLESS MATERIAL.

We ask each participant to bring with them a pinch, a letter or a bag of dust. This seemingly insignificant material will become the starting point for a collective project that examines dust as a floating, formless substance — a material without boundaries. made of the world and constantly in motion across it. In its ephemeral presence, dust holds stories of contact, transformation, and passage. Through this shared offering, we aim to reflect on the invisible yet impactful ways that borders operate — not only politically, but environmentally, biologically, and spiritually. Your dust will be part of a collaborative artwork that challenges the fixity of borders and embraces the porous, traveling nature of matter itself.

HOW TO REACH NOVA GORICA

- By Bike : https://www.nomago.si/en/bikes/gorica-go2go
- By Train: SLO: https://potniski.sz.si/en/ | ITA: https://www.trenitalia.com/en.html
- By Bus: Cross-border urban lines line between Gorizia (railway station) and
 Nova Gorica (bus station) running daily, with the following times and departures:
- from the bus station stop in Nova Gorica from 07:30 until 20:00, every 30 minutes
- - from the train station in Gorizia from 7:30 until 20:30, every 30 minutes
- Cross-border suburban line connecting the Trieste Airport hub with the cities of Gorizia and Nova Gorica, ensuring daily connections: https://www.aptgorizia.it/
- By Plane: SLO: https://www.lju-airport.si/en/ | ITA: https://triesteairport.it/en/
- By Taxi/ride-sharing : https://prevoz.org/
- By Car: SLO: Via the A1 motorway | IT: Via the A4 motorway
- → MORE INFO | GO!2025 OFFICIAL WEBSITE | GO!25 OFFICIAL PROGRAMME



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