

RECOMMENDATION N° 1

Proposed by Norway, Sweden, Iceland, UK

The MU agreement.

Agreement of Payment of Artists for Participation and Exhibition.

In 2009, the Swedish government adopted a new agreement for remuneration to artists for the display of work. The MU agreement – a participation and exhibition agreement – which covers payment to artists for display of work, as a copyright fee. This is additional to other kinds of financial compensation for an exhibition, such as transport, installation, publication, etc. The agreement makes it clear that all work the artist undertakes at exhibition – before, during and after the show – is to be governed by a written contract and remunerated outside the framework of the exhibition fee.

The agreement was signed by the Swedish Arts Council, as the representative of the Swedish state, and the Swedish Artists Association (KRO/KRIF), the Association of Swedish Illustrators, and the Swedish Photographers Association. It is binding on all public institutions with an exhibiting role and provides guidance for all professional exhibition organizers in receipt of public funding

The agreement was last updated in July 2014.