



Maltepe University Conservatory
Marmara Egitim Koyu
34857 ISTANBUL
Turkey

Brussels, 18 February 2021

Dear Prof. Çiğdem İYİCİL,

As President of the Association Européenne des Conservatoires, Académies de Musique et Musikhochschulen (AEC), it is my great pleasure to inform you that, at the recent meeting of the AEC Council, it was agreed that your institution should be **accepted as an Active member of the AEC**.

Enclosed on this email you will find the following documents relevant to membership of the AEC:

- The AEC Statutes and Internal Regulations
- Contact information for the AEC office

As an AEC member, you will receive all news updates and information about documents produced by the Association from now on.

As you know, the AEC organizes specific platforms throughout the course of each year, to which you will now be invited. These include the International Relations Coordinators (IRCs) meeting, which will take place in September in Vigo, Spain, as well as the AEC Annual Congress, our signature event, which will take place next in November in Antwerp, Belgium.

The AEC also holds the AEC Pop and Jazz (PJP) Platform, which have just taken place last week online, as well as the AEC European Platform for Artistic Research in Music (EPARM), which will take place next March also online. In addition, we are currently organising a whole range of other meetings associated with our project SMS- Strengthening Music in Society, successful in its application under the new Creative Europe Culture sub-programme call, 'Support to European Networks'. The project runs from December 2017 until November 2021. You will find all the information about our activities on our website: www.aec-music.eu.

If you would like to attend any of our meetings this year, or to send a representative on behalf of your institution, you would be most welcome to do so. You will find all the necessary information at <http://www.aec-music.eu/events/upcoming>.

I should like to say how delighted I am to welcome you and your institution into membership of the AEC. I hope this will be the beginning of many long and fruitful relationships between your institution and other AEC members within the frame of this wonderful organisation that, as President, it is my privilege at the current time to lead.

Yours sincerely,

Eirik Birkeland
AEC President