

Group for Education in Museums Press Release

Group for Education in Museums (GEM) partners with the Network of European Museum Organisations (NEMO) to provide mentoring opportunities for emerging museum professionals

GEM is pleased to announce a new partnership with the Network of European Museum Organisations (NEMO), involving mentoring partnerships for international NEMO members.

NEMO is a network of museum organisations and museums from across Europe, representing over 30,000 museums. Their mission is to ensure that museums are an integral part of European life by promoting their value to policy makers, and providing opportunities, information and networking to their member organisations.

NEMO ensures museums are an integral part of European life by promoting their work and value to policy makers and by providing museums with information, networking and opportunities for co-operation. One of their key strategic missions is to ensure that museums are recognised as rich learning environments and places of public engagement, as well as providing a platform for the exchange of best practice, which resonates strongly with GEM's own mission and vision.

In order to facilitate this exchange, and strengthen the sector internationally, GEM will be providing mentoring opportunities for 10 NEMO members across Europe through the [One to One Mentoring Programme](#). This is a fantastic opportunity for GEM mentors to support and guide mentees from other European countries, and to deepen connections with museum organisations overseas.

GEM's One to One Mentoring Programme exists to support learning professionals in the museums and heritage sector with their professional development. Since the programme launched in Spring 2020 it has facilitated over 250 mentoring partnerships, which have enabled professionals to connect and learn during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Mentors are senior museum professionals who volunteer their time to support the career development of sector colleagues, typically those who perform learning functions within their organisations. 10 NEMO members will become mentees, and benefit from the expertise of GEM's mentors as a form of professional development.

Julia Pagel, Secretary General of NEMO says:

"We are thrilled to launch this scheme as it adds a new layer to NEMO's capacity building offers for members and the European museum sector at large. NEMO's cooperation with GEM will provide emerging professionals connected to our member organisations with an excellent opportunity to develop their individual capacities via one-to-one mentoring sessions."

GEM and NEMO are delighted to be embarking on this partnership, and hope to further strengthen international links within the sector while also promoting best practice in museum learning.

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About GEM

GEM is a thriving and vibrant membership network of over 850 institutional and personal members

Our vision is of a connected and equipped community of people enabling learning across museum, heritage and cultural settings, creating inspiring experiences, relevant for everyone; that promote equality - transform and enrich lives.

We at GEM are continually inspired by our members' creativity, passion and hard work. Whether you'd like to keep up to date with the latest sector news, develop new skills, or find a new job, GEM is here to help. Find out more about [how GEM can help you](#).

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About NEMO

The Network of European Museum Organisations (NEMO) was founded in 1992 as an independent network of national museum organisations representing the museum community of the member states of the Council of Europe. Together, NEMO's members speak for more than 30,000 museums in 40 countries across Europe.

Find out more about NEMO and its activities [here](#).

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