

## EESC President Luca Jahier will do an Internship at the Royal Museums of Turin

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On the invitation of the Network of European Museum Organisations (NEMO), Luca Jahier, President of the European Economic and Social Committee, will join the museum staff at the Royal Museums of Turin in Italy on 24 May 2019. He will get hands on experience from various departments of the museums and to see the full spectrum of what museums do beyond the exhibition rooms.

NEMO invited President Jahier to participate in the NEMO Political Internships in Museums programme since he has made culture a top priory of his presidency. The internship will give the President a unique behind the scenes experience of the Royal Museums of Turin as well as of the museum sector's contribution to every day social cohesion, education and development.

Luca Jahier looks forward to the internship opportunity: "I firmly believe that culture and the understanding of our diverse heritage has a key role to play in driving a sustainable future for an open and democratic Europe, in promoting a rEUnaissance. I am therefore happy to have the chance to put myself at the service of this cultural wealth and exchange with the people working in the museum, whose skills and engagement is essential in transmitting this treasure to current and future generations."

The museum advocacy initiative NEMO Political Internships in Museums has been organised by NEMO since May 2018. The aim of the EU-level political internship programme is to build a sustainable relationship with stakeholders, by showcasing the diversity and social importance of museums.

NEMO Secretary General Julia Pagel says: "NEMO is honoured to facilitate President Jahier with a view behind the exhibition halls at the Royal Museums of Turin. The experience will provide an understanding of the manifold activities and tasks that museums carry out every day by creating spaces for inspiration, reflection and dialogue."

Enrica Pagella, director if the Royal Museums of Turin added, "The Royal Museums are honoured to welcome President Jahier and to share with him their daily experience of taking care for the cultural heritage and their commitment to offer a dynamic and rewarding service to their vast audience community, made up of citizens, visitors, students, volunteers and researchers. For the museum staff, it is a valuable opportunity to reflect on the social role of museums as a factor of cohesion and development for Europe."

## **Luca Jahier**

Luca Jahier was elected President of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) on 18 April 2018 for a period of two and a half years, until October 2020. He has been a member of the Committee since 2002. Within the EESC, he has worked extensively on the European Union's social and cohesion policies, as well as on international matters.

## NEMO - Network of European Museum Organisations

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 over 30.000 museums across Europe. NEMO is funded by the EU through the Creative Europe networks strand and acts as voice of museums towards EU institutions.

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## Royal Museums of Turin

The Royal Museums of Turin form a single great complex of buildings and collections that epitomise the history of Turin: the Royal Palace, the Royal Armoury, the Royal Library, the Galleria Sabauda, the Archaeological Museum, the Royal Gardens, the Chapel of the Holy Shroud and the Sale Chiablese. The aim of the Royal Museums is to promote this unique, precious urban compendium in the heart of the old city, offering visitors a dynamic experience and opportunities for greater access, knowledge, creativity and pleasure.

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