

CALLS FOR ARTS FOR THE NEW NATO SPACE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE BUILDING

We are pleased to invite talented and visionary artists to contribute to the creation of art installations for the new NATO Space Centre of Excellence (COE) building in Toulouse, France .

As a hub for international cooperation in the space domain, focusing on education and training, analysis and lessons learned, doctrine development and standardization, and concept development and experimentation, the NATO Space COE seeks artworks that embody its core values of excellence and collaboration between nations.

We are looking for artistic expressions that will inspire and resonate with the global mission of the NATO Space COE. Themes for exploration include the limitless possibilities of space, the power of partnership between nations, and the pivotal role of space in securing our collective future.

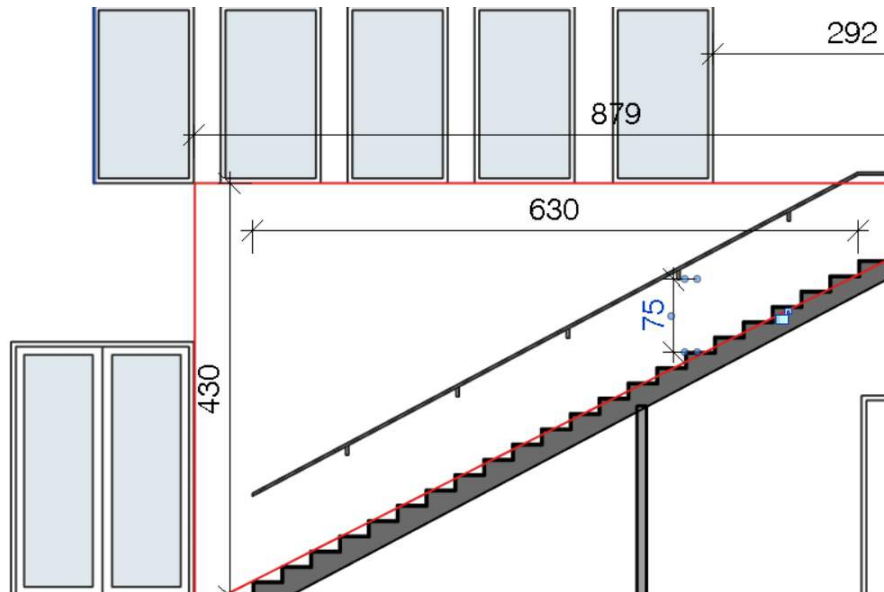
Artists from all disciplines are encouraged to submit proposals for artworks that can be integrated into the architecture and environment of the new building, making a lasting and impactful contribution to this landmark space.

This call for artists is open to all forms of artistic expression, including but not limited to: fine art painting, mural painting (frescoes, street art, etc.), sculpture (statues, bas-reliefs, installations), photography, and more.

Submissions are open to individual artists, collectives, and cross-disciplinary collaborations.

Scope of Work:

- **Location:** Artworks will be installed in the atrium of the building, the central gathering space for employees, visitors, and collaborators. Smaller works may also be placed in corridors or lobby spaces throughout the building.
- **Medium:** Submissions may include various forms of artistic expression, including but not limited to painting, sculpture, ceramics, and suspended installations.
- **Size and Weight:**
 1. In the Atrium (conference room exterior wall), a high and large wall is available for a piece of art to fix on the wall with a max sizing of 3x3 meters frame included.
 2. In the Atrium ceiling, a fixing hook able to support max 15 kg max. Dimension of the artwork size max height 1.5 meters , circumference 1.5 meter, length of the cable to be determined regarding the size of the art object, one point of fixation in the ceiling.
 3. A space alongside the stairs is also available :



4. Corridor and lobby room on various floors

- Pieces of art to fix on walls : about 3 to 6 units in total
- Sculpture to place (not fixed) on the ground : 2 units max . Height max 1,80 meter , foot print on the ground inferior to 1 meter square

The proposals should consider the spatial dynamics of the area and ensure visibility from multiple angles and across floors.

- **Delivery Date:** 31st of December 2025

Artist Qualifications or eligibility:

- The call is open to both emerging and established artists or collectives.
- Artist and collective can apply for the whole project, a part of or just an item.
- To be eligible, the artist or the collective must comply with the fiscal and social regulation such as registration (e.g. SIRET for France) and other requirements.

Budget:

The NATO space COE Steering committee voted a range budget of 20 000 – 30 000 euros . This budget can be split in multiple projects or items.

Payment at delivery regarding a formal invoice.

Submission Requirements:

- Artist resume with eventual portfolio

- Conceptual proposal (max 2 pages) including sketches or models, sizing , materials to be used, and timeline.
- Financial proposal or quotation detailed by items and services

After first submission, a dialog with the artist might happen to refine the need or the dimensions of piece of arts.

Deadline for Submissions: 20th of August 2025

How to submit a project: business@space-coe.org

Selection Process:

Proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee composed of representatives from the NATO Space COE.

The winning artist(s) and projects will be announced no later than the 15th of September 2025, and the project(s) will be completed and installed by 12th of January 2026.