



ROME MANIFESTO on the establishment of the Culture Resilience Alliance

In response to the unprecedented cultural losses caused by the war against Ukraine and in light of global challenges affecting cultural heritage, identity, and access to culture,

in follow-up of the Vilnius Call for Action on the Recovery of the Culture Sector of Ukraine (Vilnius, 6-7 June 2024), Declaration «Culture, common good of humanity, common responsibility» of G7 Ministerial Meeting on Culture (Naples, 20 September 2024), and Declaration on Strengthening Cultural Sector Resilience in Ukraine adopted on the first International Conference “Cooperation for Resilience” (Uzhhorod, 1 February 2025),

we, the founding signatories of this Manifesto, stand united in recognizing the profound importance of protecting and preserving the cultural identity of Ukraine. Together, we aim to honor the past, protect the present, and ensure a vibrant future for Ukrainian culture.

We formally announce the establishment of the Culture Resilience Alliance (CRA) as the next milestone in this strategic trajectory.

The CRA - an international, Ukraine-coordinated platform for strategic cooperation in support of culture as a mean of resilience in times of war, achieving just and lasting peace, as well as a driver of recovery and regeneration in the post-war phase.



The CRA brings together governments, international organisations, private donors, and civil society to coordinate efforts in embedding cultural dimension into long-term recovery and development frameworks.

This Alliance is founded on **the principles** of solidarity, cultural diversity, and shared responsibility and is focused on the following **six strategic priorities** embedded into the Action Plan for Culture, coordinated by the Ministry of Culture and Strategic Communications and UNESCO, and gathering international and national partners:

1. Monitoring, assessment and documentation of damage to cultural heritage in Ukraine.
2. Protection and reconstruction of material cultural heritage.
3. Regeneration of cultural institutions and cultural education.
4. Strengthening of cultural and creative industries of Ukraine.
5. Digital transformation of cultural heritage management.
6. Contribution of culture to national resilience, recovery, community development, social cohesion, and economic growth.

By signing this Manifesto, **we express our commitment to:**
align our programmes and resources with these six strategic priorities;
coordinate technical and financial support with the Ministry of Culture and Strategic Communications of Ukraine;
contribute to a long-term framework of international cooperation based on cultural rights, sustainable development, and inclusive governance.

The CRA is open to all actors who share these priorities and are ready to contribute - through expertise, funding, or other means - to support solutions that combine **tradition and innovation, reconstruction and restoration, local actions**

and global values for long-term investment in communities, infrastructures, memory and new technologies - **with culture at the centre of recovery and development.**

Together, we affirm that investing in culture is essential not only for protecting the past, but for **securing a resilient, inclusive, and shared future.**

This Manifesto is open for joining.

Signed in Rome, July 10, 2025, on the occasion of the Ukraine Recovery Conference

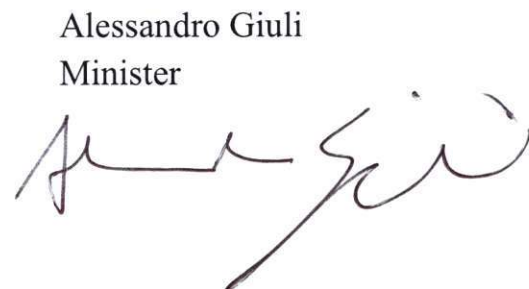
For the Ministry of Culture
and Strategic
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Ukraine

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