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## **Fonds culturel national, Fondation Indépendance and BIL sponsor the new Indépendance Grant in support of digital art in Luxembourg**

**Luxembourg, 14 February 2017: Fonds culturel national, Fondation Indépendance and Banque Internationale à Luxembourg strive to foster digital art in Luxembourg with the Indépendance Grant.**

While the digitalisation of the economy and of financial services receives considerable media coverage, digital artistic creation remains confined to an inner circle of specialists. However, visual artists have long been using digital means to create often experimental works that capture the *Zeitgeist*. In order to support the creative approach of these artists, BIL, the Fondation Indépendance and the National Cultural Fund (Fonds culturel national) are sponsoring the new Indépendance Grant.

This grant will support the creative process behind innovative works in the area of digital arts and new technologies. It will also ensure that these works reach a wide audience through exhibitions in the Galerie L'Indépendance. For BIL, the sponsorship of this grant is part of its ongoing promotion of art and innovation under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) policy. Thanks to this policy, artists representing the national cultural scene are regularly given the opportunity to exhibit at the Galerie L'Indépendance.

To qualify for the grant, artists must be Luxembourgish nationals or resident in the Grand Duchy. Applications must be submitted online no later than 31 March 2017. Information on the selection procedure and the award of the Indépendance Grant is available on [www.focuna.lu](http://www.focuna.lu).

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### **About Banque Internationale à Luxembourg (BIL):**

Founded in 1856, Banque Internationale à Luxembourg (BIL) is the oldest multi-business bank in the Grand Duchy. It has always played an active role in the main stages of the development of the Luxembourg economy. It currently operates in retail, private and corporate banking, as well as on capital markets. Employing more than 2,000 people, BIL is present in the financial centres of Luxembourg, Switzerland (since 1984), Denmark (since 2000), the Middle East (since 2005) and Sweden (since 2016).

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### **About Fondation Indépendance**

The Fondation Indépendance was established in 1999 by Banque Internationale à Luxembourg. Its aim is to promote art and culture, particularly of a contemporary nature, through its various forms of expression.

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### **About Fonds culturel national:**

The National Cultural Fund (Fonds culturel national) is a public body governed by the law of 4 March 1982, as amended. Its mission is to receive, manage and use allocations and donations from public and private sources to promote and support artistic and cultural activities involving artists who are Luxembourg nationals or residents.

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