Chain Reaction is one of the projects selected with the call for proposals “Boarding Pass Plus 2019” issued by the Italian Ministry of Culture to launch new and innovative networking projects to support the development of processes of internationalisation, as well as the role of artistic directors of festivals of theatre for young audiences, as promoters of our national production abroad.

Chain Reaction is a project that intends to develop the international nature of Italian festivals, to make them recognisable and accessible also to international guests. The network will support the mobility of Italian professionals and programmers by promoting a call for proposal, Passport - Chain Reaction, aimed at enhancing the international visibility of Italian artists and programmers, through networking activities and by visiting some of the most important European festivals for children and young people.

The project partners are Italian companies who organise national and international festivals:

Segni d’infanzia Associazione culturale (project leader), Mantova; Associazione culturale di promozione sociale Lagrù, Sant’Elpidio (FM); Factory Compagnia Transadriatica e Principio Attivo Teatro, Lecce; Giallo Mare Minimal Teatro, Empoli (FI); La Baracca - Testoni Ragazzi, Bologna; Teatro al quadrato, Tarcento (UD).

The Italian companies taking part in the project are members of ASSITEJ Italy, who will be actively involved as project partner. Along with these, there are twelve international festivals, whose organisers were particularly interested in the Italian scenario, and who will be hosting the project partners and the presentations of Chain Reaction.

It is an important opportunity to travel, gain insight and visibility. Chain Reaction is only a starting point for the networking activities: at the end of the project, the many Italian professionals involved will share their experiences, contacts and good practices.

The Italian professionals interested in the project will have the opportunity to:

- participate in the call Passport - Chain Reaction and travel with the group of Chain Reaction, thanks to a mobility fund (www.assitej-italia.it/news)
- propose their festival as one of the project locations, hosting a presentation of Chain Reaction
- recommend interesting festivals to visit, that are not part of the current project network

The International professionals interested in the project will have the opportunity to:

- invite to their festivals the partners of Chain Reaction, as well as the Italian artists and professionals selected with the call for proposals
- propose their festival as one of the project locations, hosting a presentation of Chain Reaction
- recommend interesting festivals to visit, that are not part of the current project network
Partner Festivals of Chain Reaction

Visioni di futuro, visioni di teatro...
February 28 - March 8, Bologna
www.testoniragazzi.it | festival@testoniragazzi.it

Teatro fra le Generazioni
March 17 - 21, Castelfiorentino (FI)
giallomare.it | info@giallomare.it

I Teatri del Mondo
July 12 - 18, Porto Sant’Elpidio (FM)
www.iteatridelmondo.it | info@iteatridelmondo.it

I teatri della Cupa
July 25 - August 2, Novoli (LE)
www.teatrocomunaledinovoli.com/i-teatri-della-cupa
teatrocomunaledinovoli@gmail.com

Trallallero
October 6 - 11, Artegna (UD)
www.teatroalquadrato.it | info@teatroalquadrato.it

Segni New Generations Festival
October 31 - November 8, Mantova
www.segnidinfanzia.org | segnidinfanzia@gmail.com

KIDS
December 27 - January 6, Lecce
www.kidsfestival.it | direzioneartistica@kidsfestival.it

Road Map of the international festivals visited by the Chain Reaction work group

January 12 - 14
Kitoks’20 - Vilnius, Lithuania

February 22 - 26
Krokusfestival - Hasselt, Belgium

March 26 - 29
Mostra Igualada - Igualada, Spain

April 21 - 26
April Festival - Holbæk, Denmark

May 14 - 24
Assitej International World Congress - Tokyo, Japan

July 1 - 29
Festival d’Avignon - Avignon, France

August 26 - 30
Au bonheur des mômes - Le Grand-Bornand, France

The list of the networking events is constantly being updated.
Dates and times are not final and may be subject to changes (calendar on www.assitej-italia.it)

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As always different and ever-evolving occasions for networking, the presentations will also be held in festivals that are not part of the partnership, but that will be put forward as project locations, hosting a presentation of the project.

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