

## PRESS COMMUNIQUE

# INTERNATIONAL FESTIVALS FEDERATION DE CONCERT !

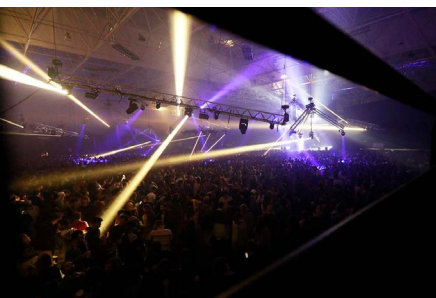
*Created in 2008, the International Federation of festivals **De Concert!** is an associative think-tank around the festivals sector, gathering 30 members from Switzerland, Belgium, Germany, Denmark, Canada, Island, Hungary and France. These events share the same values and a commitment to develop culturally and sustainably their territory with a particular attention to emerging artists.*



### # DECONCERT! PARTNER OF MAMA FESTIVAL & CONVENTION 2016

Partner for 3 years of MaMA Festival & Convention, now major get-together for music industry professionals in Paris, De Concert! produced on October 13th, a public showcase featuring **Jacques** (FR) and **Témé Tan** (BE), 2 young emerging artists, supported by our festivals members through the operation « De Concert! artistic selection” ([www.deconcert.org/coups-de-coeur/](http://www.deconcert.org/coups-de-coeur/)). Several responsible of De Concert! festivals were also invited to participate to **5 panels** organized by MaMA Convention (« Electronic Music : round-table », « Spot on Denmark », « Ma Cabane à Paname », « Import in modern music », « Festivals marketing»)

**MaMA panels 2016 replay** <https://live.mamafestival.com/user/event/replay>



### # HORS PISTES AND NÖRDIK IMPAKT FESTIVALS JOIN DECONCERT!

De Concert! festivals members gathered on October 26th and 27th in Vendôme (FR), for the association's annual general meeting, on the 25th anniversary of Rockomotives festival, voted unanimously for accession of **2 new festivals** to the federation. De Concert! is pleased to welcome **Hors Pistes**, festival of independant and emerging music around Annecy (FR) and **Nördik Impakt**, festival of independant electronic music and digital arts in Caen (FR).

This brings the Federation's membership to **30 festivals**.



## # JEAN-PAUL ROLAND AND PAUL HENRI WAUTERS RE-ELECTED FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF THE FEDERATION

This meeting was also the opportunity to reappoint for a new **two-year mandate** Jean-Paul Roland (Eurockéennes-FR) and Paul Henri Wauters (Nuits Botanique-BE) as co-presidents of the Federation. Dominique Sibilia (Jardin du Michel-FR), Dro Kildjan (Marsatac-FR), Jean Jacques Toux (Vieilles Charrues-FR), Yann Rivoal (GéNéRiQ-FR), Alex Stevens (Dour-BE) et Meryl Laurent (Nuits Sonores-FR) make up now a **larger association office** to deal with the federation development activities.



## # 2016, A YEAR COMBINING ATTENDANCE RECORDS AND AN ENHANCED SECURITY FOR DECONCERT! FESTIVALS

If 2016 was marked by several attendance records : 496,000 festivalgoers at Sziget Festival (HU), 278,000 at Vieilles Charrues (FR), 235,000 at Dour (BE) and 104,000 at Eurockéennes de Belfort (FR), **the increasing costs of security** remains one of the major issues of the season. In times of vigilance and security increasing since the attacks in Europe in 2015, festivals have demonstrated their **ability of structural and financial flexibility** to ensure better the reception and the security of their publics.



This topic will be discussed during the next De Concert! winter workshop in 2017. The festivals members will also be invited to debate the **issues of expansion of publics and economic independence for their events**, factors essential to the development of artistic projects.

This workshop, like every year, will also be the opportunity for festivals members to support two groups whose potential and originality are to watch closely. At the end, fifteen of young talents are chosen and are part of the artistic selection De Concert! published on a cd sampler to be released in the spring and will perform on summer scenes of the festivals members. In 2016, **nearly sixty concerts** have been produced performing artists supported with this operation.

→ Listen to De Concert! musical crush 2016

<http://deconcert.org/coups-de-coeur/>

## THE 30 FESTIVALS OF DE CONCERT! FEDERATION :

(FR) Art Rock - Bars en Trans - Festival GéNéRiQ - Festival Panoramas - Hors Pistes - Le Jardin du Michel - Le Rock dans tous ses états - Les 3 Éléphants - Les Eurockéennes de Belfort - Les Invites de Villeurbanne - Les Rockomotives - Les Tombées de la Nuit - Les Vieilles Charrues - Marsatac - N.A.M.E. Festival - Nordik Impakt - Nuits Sonores - Reggae Sun Ska - Sakifo Musik - Terres du son // (BE) Couleur Café - Dour Festival - Les Nuits Botanique // (CH) Montreux Jazz Festival - Paléo Festival Nyon // (DK) Spot Festival // (HU) Sziget Festival // (DE) C/O Pop // (CA) Festival des Musiques émergentes // (IS) Iceland Airways



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