

Christopher Crimes

Former Artistic Director of major French cultural venues; Consultant/Advisor to [N!A] Project and Eleusis 2021 European Capital of Culture – France, Greece

From Linguistics to Art

Christopher Crimes initially taught languages and arts in Southampton. When he moved to France he combined his linguistic talents with his radio and TV production experience and produced many documentaries for the French education service.

Maison de la Culture - Le Havre

Assistant director of a multimedia center in Rouen, he moved on to the performing arts in 1982 and joined the management team for the opening of Oscar Niemeyer's « Maison de la Culture du Havre ».

Producer Contemporary Music

Between 1985 and 2007, throughout France, he opened various major venues and organized close cooperation between local businesses and the performing arts. He produced new works mainly in contemporary music and by 2007 put sustainable development at the core of his projects.

Accent on Sustainable development

His move to Montpellier and le domaine d'O in 2009 enabled him to develop an ambitious project involving arts, science and audience involvement around the major questions of present day society and notably climate change.

Le domaine d'O

In 2011 Christopher became personal advisor to Bertrand Jacobberger, CEO of Solinest and President of a newly launched endowment fund NA!Fund, encouraging new work and supporting research by all types of artists. In 2013 Christopher left domaine d'O but maintained his activities within the Na!Fund as a freelance consultant, proposing new projects with the renowned CentQuatre cultural venue in Paris.

NA!Fund

Donon Group Alsace

Since his retirement from the French institutional circuit in 2014, Christopher continues many activities such as active participation in the Berlin think tank "A Soul for Europe". He also gives lectures in various universities and participates in evaluation of cultural projects.

Eleusis European Capital 2021

European networks

At present he is General Manager of the Nature Addicts Fund [N.A!] Project, and also coordinates Donon a group of business partners from Alsace who search to develop new projects in the upper Rhin region.



As a close partner to Éleusis European Capital 2021 he is piloting a mentors group on the request of Kelly Diapouli. Christopher was involved in many European networks. Vice president with Bernard Faivre d'Arcier and the Theorem group 1998, Founder member of "Thin Ice" 2007 and "Imagine 2020 (1)" 2010. He also initiated the only French language "Tipping Point" in 2010 on the subject of Water with a pan Mediterranean organization.

His activities have been recognized by the French Minister of Culture - Catherine Trautmann (Chevalier des Arts et des Lettres) and Minister of Education - Jack Lang (Palme Académiques).

