VISIT

The Artist in Residence Programme of the RWE Foundation

ANNOUNCEMENT: THE WINNERS OF 'VISIT' 2014 RWE Foundation are <u>STEFANO CAGOL</u> and <u>MERLIN BAUM</u>

The jury has selected the projects by **Merlin Baum** (www.merlinbaum.de) and by **Stefano Cagol** (www.stefanocagol.com).

A jury decides which of the artists who apply shall be given the opportunity to work for up to six months within the RWE corporation. 2014 Tobia Bezzola (Director Museum Folkwang), Mischa Kuball (artist and Professor at the Kunsthochschule für Medien Köln) and Andreas Beitin (Director ZKM | Museum of Contemporary Art, Karlsruhe) have made the decision.

Offices and power plants are usually not places where you would assume to find visual artists. The RWE Foundation, however, demonstrates that even such places may offer artists a platform for work. The Foundation's Culture division has launched an Artist-in-Residence programme. VISIT invites artists to implement projects that are related to RWE, to energy topics and their social relevance.

About VISIT

The VISIT programme of the RWE Foundation promotes young artists by offering them a free space for pursuing individual design work. At the invitation of the Foundation, the selected artists develop their respective project over a period of about six months. Depending on the topic, this takes place at a German or also possibly an international location of the company. The artistic work should have an explicit reference to RWE, the topic of energy, and its social relevance. The objective of the programme is to initiate a reciprocal involvement between the company and artists. Interdisciplinary approaches and switching perspectives promote the understanding of different lines of thought and help us to learn from one another. http://www.rwe.com/web/cms/en/587332/visit-programm/

Benefits

Two fellowships per year

- -Duration of assistance: six months
- -Amount of grant: € 6,000 (plus incurred travel costs, accommodations, and material costs according to individual agreement)
- -Payment of the production costs
- -Final exhibition in the RWE Corporation premises and possibly at external cooperation partners
- -Project documentation / exhibition catalogue

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