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RWE Foundation supporting young artists in Europe steps in for Turkey this year

Supporting young artists under the age of 30 in Europe, RWE Foundation will accept applications from Turkey this year for the Artist-in-Residence Program "Visit". Young artists wishing to participate in the program, in which projects related to "energy" and "social implications of energy" to be produced using new media tools will be evaluated, may submit their applications via Internet until March 30, 2012. For detailed information on the program, please visit <u>www.rwe.com.tr</u>

RWE Foundation supported by RWE, one of the five leading electricity and gas companies in Europe, has chosen Turkey as its partner this year within the framework of the Artist-in-Residence Program "Visit" it offers with the aim of supporting young artists under the age of 30.

In order to apply for the program accepting candidate projects to be produced using new media tools such as photography, video and film technologies, 3-D imaging, animation, audio and motion video, candidates should fill in the form on <u>www.rwe.com.tr</u> The projects are expected to have relevance to energy or its social implications.

2 artists to be selected as a result of the evaluation of the jury shall be provided assistance allowing them to work for 3 months in order to launch their project. The projects of the artists, who will be provided with a montly financial assistance of \notin 1,500 by the RWE Foundation during this process, will be launched with the assistance to be provided by the Foundation again at the exhibition phase. The projects are expected to be exhibited in Turkey this year as well as in Germany.

Application deadline for the Artist-in-Residence Program "Visit" is March 30, 2012.

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About the RWE Foundation

The RWE Foundation pools the chartable activities of the Group and has been the focus of civic engagement at RWE since 2009. Energy is a complex and interdisciplinary concept for RWE. As well as its technological and economic dimensions, energy also has social and cultural aspects. The RWE Foundation's aim is to create a new, broad and interdisciplinary understanding of energy through its education projects with generations to come. The RWE Foundation supports young creative artists and individuals engaged in the cultural sector who express the concept of energy in their works and thus initiate or influence discourse on social issues. The RWE Foundation also supports social projects in which energy creates cohesion between young people and enables disadvantaged groups to participate in society