

**Literature Across Frontiers**  
**Ten years of making literature travel**

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A blurred night photograph of a city street, likely taken from a moving vehicle. The image shows light trails from traffic and buildings, creating a sense of motion and travel. The number '10' is overlaid in a large, yellow-outlined font, indicating a ten-year anniversary.



**10 years**  
**36 countries**  
**40 languages**  
**5 conferences**  
**65 workshops**  
**700 events**  
**1500 participants**  
**100,000 audiences**

**European platform  
for literary exchange,  
translation and  
policy debate**

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## Introduction

Literature Across Frontiers (LAF) is celebrating its 10th anniversary in 2011. During its first decade, LAF has become an indelible part of a European literary scene where a multitude of organisations provide support for writers, translators and publishers in order to create an environment in which quality writing and its translation can thrive. Residential centres, translation schemes, grants for various projects and actions are invaluable in assuring that structural barriers – market-raised, linguistic, socio-economic, barriers of prejudice and politics – do not hinder readers and audiences from gaining access to writing that would have otherwise remained out of sight. At the same time, resources that facilitate the mobility of translators and writers, and their cooperation with practitioners from other artistic fields contribute to the diversity of our cultural ecosystem, and point towards the pressing need to understand, appreciate, protect and sustain our multifaceted creative commons.



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