## NEMO statement on the impact of the energy crisis on museums in Europe



<u>NEMO</u>, the <u>Network of European Museum Associations</u>, after observing the **exceptional increase of costs for electricity and gas and its impact on museums** in recent months, has published a **statement calling on policy makers to support museums** to cope with the energy crisis and keep open.

With the exceptional increase of costs for electricity and gas, some museums' energy bills are likely to increase by 400% and there are already reports of museums having to close due to the energy crisis. NEMO fears that more will follow unless appropriate measures are taken.

<u>NEMO</u> also writes that **cultural spaces and offers are important for social cohesion and personal well-being during times of crisis. The closure and/or reduction of services of museums has a minimal impact in terms of energy savings but does have a significant impact on the cultural and social fabric of Europe in this challenging time**.

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