

## **VIR Viafarini-in-residence**

VIR is a place open to dialog between visual arts and other forms of expression and creative incubation, aiming at giving space to the artistic productions of the hosted artists and facilitating skills' exchange and professional growth. At regular intervals the doors of the shared studio, which can always be visited by appointment, are opened to the public on occasion of the VIR Open Studio, for the presentation of the works produced during the stay. Meetings and talks are organized.

Viafarini has the possibility to guest in individual apartments, located in the same building of the studio.

The guests of the studio are selected through open calls, by invitation of curators, as well as through application form submitted directly by artist and curators themselves.

The shared studio is available for periods of 4 months each: January-April; May-August; September-December. Apartment residences have a minimum duration of one month.

The Network of Residencies throughout the years includes: Akademie Schloss Solitude (Stuttgart), EAC Espacio de Arte Contemporaneo (Montevideo, Uruguay), Ukrainian Institute (Kiev), FUTURA Project (Prague), PROGR Zentrum fur Kulturproduktion (Bern), Kooshk Residency (Teheran), HIAP Helsinki International Residency Program (Helsinki), WIELS (Bruxelles), SOMA (Mexico City), Residency Unlimited (New York), Gasworks (London), Rijksakademie van beeldende kunsten (Amsterdam), CCA Ujazdowski Castle (Warsaw), Kunstlerhaus Bethanien (Berlin), Delfina Foundation (London), Les Laboratoires d'Aubervilliers (Paris), Friche La Belle de Mai (Marseille).

## **Viafarini | [www.viafarini.org](http://www.viafarini.org)**

Viafarini is a creative incubator and a hub for visual arts located at Fabbrica del Vapore, collaborating with other renowned organizations in Milan, in Italy and abroad. Viafarini was founded in 1991 as a non profit organization for contemporary art, when this concept was new to Italy.

Nowadays Viafarini is renovating its mission: starting from the idea of a creative incubator aiming at the professional training of emerging artists within the art system, it is shifting toward the idea of an agency for the creation of networks of collaboration between artistic research, private commission, entrepreneurship and the social environment. Viafarini's know-how about documentation, art consultancy, production, residency, education, communication and exhibition services are put at disposal for interdisciplinary collaboration projects. The benefits guaranteed by this innovative approach reverberates not only on the single artist's career, but on the society itself. Thanks to this hybrid, participative and multidisciplinary approach Viafarini innovates its cultural offer in order to understand the implications of the great change under way: from an artistic as well as social, political and anthropological point of view.



Apartments

