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ORGANISMO | Art in Applied Critical Ecologies Year Zero

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Organismo is the independent study program developed as an experimental initiative by TBA21-Academy and Museo Nacional Thyssen-Bornemisza. It weaves together research, theory, and speculation through applied case studies to foster regenerative interventions, facilitated by various forms of alliances. By exploring new methodologies, the program acknowledges the vital role of artists in leading interdisciplinary approaches that can spark cultural paradigm shifts, devising new ways of inhabiting the planet that embrace complexity and inclusivity.

Organismo functions as a **system of connections** between art practices, interdisciplinary research, governmental bodies, and local communities, aiming to facilitate the development of plural and intersectional projects—essential to addressing today's converging crises.





The program believes situated knowledge is key for navigating the complexities of contemporary ecological challenges.

Through **applied case studies**, participants engage with specific forms of knowledge, as well as with the interrelated actors and communities. The intent is twofold: to activate these networks within their local conditions and to nurture the processes through remote forms of experiential learning.

Simultaneously, **four pulsing research lines** are designed to interlace within the case studies, they catalyze the development of **new narratives and languages** that allow us to envision alternative ecological formulations. The four research lines are:

Convivial Conservation
Ecologies of Technologies
The Rights of More-than-human
Ecologies of Peace

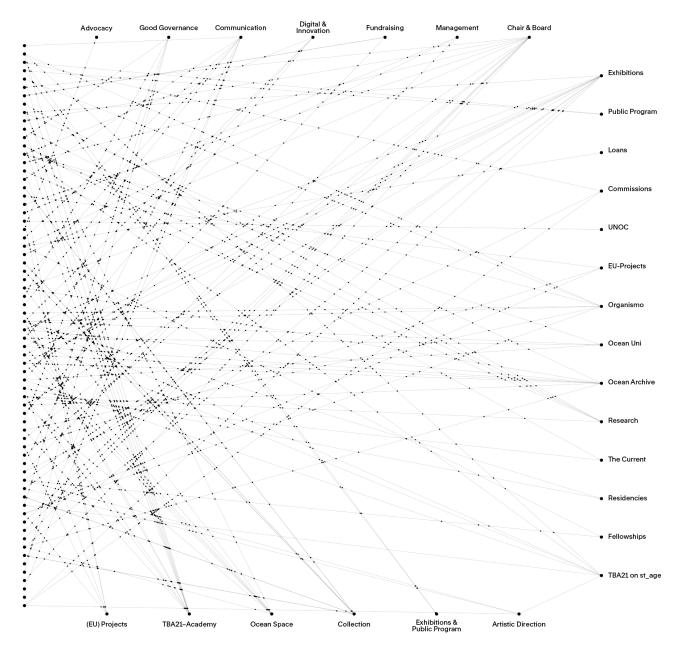
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ORGANISMO | Art in Applied Critical Ecologies Year One

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Organismo Year One proposes to continue working from multidisciplinary, multiagent, multiscalar, and multispecies approaches as a way to activate our collective intelligence.

Placing artistic practice as a driving force and building bridges between **speculation and application**, Organismo intends to mobilize cultural and political transformations by developing narratives and languages that can help us **imagine other ecological orders.**









03 SUQ CENTENO

The Suq Centeno case study aimed to explore agroecology in the context of the city of Córdoba and its network of agents. The research has been articulated around the soil, which acts as a connector between the historical memory and identity of the place and food policies. Together with the artistic collective Plata, and with the participation of Zuloark and Future Farmers, the seed libraries have been speculated on as a decentralised model of governance, empowerment of biodiversity and a system of exchange of ancestral agricultural knowledge. The project aims to issue a call to action to cultural institutions to encourage actions that generate commitment to local agroecological practices and promote alternative consumption patterns.

The case study process was enriched by conversations with Simon Kraemer, Culturhaza or Aterra Terra.









