

## Webinar

# Agent of Change

With Marc Davyd, CEO of Music Venue Trust

**12th February 2019 – 14 :30 – 15 :30 (CET)**

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After four solid years of campaigning by Music Venue Trust, alongside their friends, patrons and partners, Agent of Change entered into UK planning advice in the National Planning Policy Framework on 24 July 2018.

### What is the Agent of Change?

Agent of Change says that the person or business responsible for the change is responsible for managing the impact of the change. This means that an apartment block to be built near an established live music venue would have to pay for soundproofing, while a live music venue opening in a residential area would be responsible for the costs.

Until last summer, UK law was saying that whoever is making a nuisance is always responsible for that nuisance. No matter how long it has existed, or whether there were any historic instances of the same noise being a nuisance, if somebody moved right next door to the noise and decided it was a nuisance, the UK law was supporting it.

Agent of Change has been trialled in Australia and is now effective in the UK. This initiative might give echo to similar challenges faced in different European cities and countries.

In the frame of Live Style Europe, Live DMA organises working groups dedicated to the relations between music venues and local authorities, audience diversity, or sound regulations. During the working groups, we question urban planning issues, neighbours relations, gentrification, local development and social cohesion. We want to continue and open these discussions with Live DMA members through webinar sessions.

### What is a webinar exactly?

A webinar is a live, web-based video conference that uses the internet to connect the individual hosting the webinar to an audience of viewers and listeners from all over the world.

During this first webinar, Mark Davyd from Music Venue Trust will explain the process, the details and the limits of the Agent of Change, and participate to a Q&A session. It will be an interactive and inspiring session for sure!

### How to participate?

You must **register before the 7<sup>th</sup> of February 2019** in order to participate: <http://www.live-dma.eu/registration-form-webinar-agent-of-change/>

You will receive the link on Friday 8th February and a reminder 2 hours before the webinar session.

The webinar session is in English. Participation is free of charge and open to all Live DMA members (national association staff), as well as music venues, clubs and festivals teams.

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