

RULES OF PARTICIPATION AND ACCESS

IMAPP BUCHAREST WINNERS LEAGUE 2026

PAST. FORWARD.

ORGANIZER: ARCUB – Cultural Centre of the Municipality of Bucharest

Event dates: 19 and 20 September 2026

Location: Constitution Square (Piața Constituției)

“iMapp Bucharest – Winners League 2026” – the 11th edition of the International Video Mapping Competition, featuring music shows, entertainment and outdoor experiences.

The 2026 edition brings to Bucharest seven international artists and studios, winners of video mapping competitions from Hungary, Japan, Germany, France, China, the United States of America and Brazil, who will compete for the iMapp Bucharest Grand Prize.

The theme of the 2026 edition, “PAST. FORWARD.”, proposes a dialogue between past and future, between memory, heritage, technology and imagination.

The current edition also includes a special video mapping moment dedicated to Nadia Comăneci, marking 50 years since her historic performance at the 1976 Montreal Olympic Games.

A. Event Access for Participants (Spectators)

Access for participants to the “iMapp Bucharest – Winners League 2026 – PAST. FORWARD.” event is free of charge.

Participants will access the event venue in accordance with the Organizer’s instructions and through the specially designated and signposted entrance gates.

Participants will be admitted in the order of arrival, subject to the capacity of the event venue.

Participants will undergo a security check at the entrances to the event area in order to ensure the safety and security of all participants. Bags, backpacks, shopping bags and packages may be checked by legally authorized security personnel, in accordance with the applicable legal provisions. Persons who refuse the security check will not be granted access to the event.

The Organizer recommends that participants use small bags and/or backpacks to facilitate access and the security screening process.

Access will not be permitted to:

- persons under the influence of alcohol and/or other prohibited substances, as well as persons whose behavior disrupts public order and peace;
- persons carrying any of the items listed in the “Prohibited Items” section;
- persons who refuse the security check;
- persons suspected of endangering other participants or the proper conduct of the event;
- persons attempting to enter ahead of other participants who arrived earlier, disregarding the admission order.

The Organizer reserves the right to temporarily restrict access to the event when the maximum capacity of the venue has been reached or when the Organizer considers such restriction necessary for the safety of participants.

Children under the age of 14 may enter the event area only when accompanied by at least one adult (parent, grandparent, close relative, guardian, etc.), who shall be directly responsible for the minor’s safety and conduct. Minors over the age of 14 must provide proof of age using a valid identity document in order to be allowed to enter unaccompanied.

Persons with disabilities will have access to the event under the conditions and through the facilities specially arranged by the Organizer, in compliance with the applicable legal provisions.

B. Security and Safety

During the event and within the event area, the public must follow the instructions of security personnel and representatives of the Organizer.

Security personnel shall immediately remove participants whose behavior or attitude disrupts public order and peace or affects the safety, rights or integrity of other participants.

If the maximum capacity is reached in certain areas of the event, the Organizer reserves the right, for safety reasons, to temporarily suspend public access.

In unfavorable or extreme weather conditions that may endanger the health and safety of individuals, exits from the event area may become crowded. Participants must remain calm and follow the instructions of the security team and the Organizer’s representatives.

For safety reasons, the Organizer reserves the right:

- to interrupt or stop the event;
- to refuse a participant access to the event area;
- to request a participant to leave the event premises;
- to take any other measures necessary to protect participants and ensure the proper conduct of the event, in accordance with the law.

The Organizer has the right to periodically check members of the public, including randomly or when there are reasonable grounds for suspicion, in compliance with the law and, where applicable, with the assistance of the competent authorities.

All event participants must submit to security checks both upon entry and, in exceptional circumstances, inside the event premises, at the request of the security team or the competent authorities.

C. Prohibited Items in the Event Area

Participants carrying any of the following items will not be granted access:

- a. alcoholic beverages, soft drinks, glass or plastic containers, food, canned goods;
- b. bicycles, scooters (conventional or electric), longboards, skateboards, roller skates, inline skates, segways, unicycles, hoverboards;
- c. toxic, flammable or explosive materials;
- d. irritant or tear-gas substances, or incapacitating sprays;
- e. electric shock devices or other objects that may be used for violent actions or to disrupt the normal conduct of the event;
- f. pyrotechnic articles;
- g. banners bearing inscriptions of any kind, flags of any kind or materials of an inflammatory nature;
- h. weapons of any kind, knives, chains or any other blunt objects/sharp weapons;
- i. prohibited substances, drugs;
- j. drones or other equipment that may be flown above participants;
- k. flyers, brochures, samples or other promotional materials brought for distribution during the event;
- l. laser devices and/or other equipment that may interfere with the video mapping projections. Given that one of the main components of the event consists of projections onto the façade of the Palace of Parliament, the use of laser devices within the event area is strictly prohibited.

D. Information and Recommendations

Throughout the event, participants are required to behave and conduct themselves in a manner that does not disrupt public order and peace and does not affect the safety, rights or integrity of other participants.

Participants are required to follow the instructions of the Organizer's representatives, security personnel and the competent authorities.

In areas where shows and musical activities take place, sound levels may be high. The Organizer recommends that parents and persons accompanying children use appropriate hearing protection.

Shows may include strong lighting and visual effects that may affect persons with photosensitivity or epilepsy.

For situations requiring medical assistance, the Organizer will ensure, under the conditions established for the event, the intervention of emergency medical services.

Participants are encouraged to identify the nearest emergency exit and to follow the instructions of security personnel in the event of an emergency.

E. Participants' Obligations

Throughout the event, participants are required:

- a) to immediately notify the security team and/or the Organizer's representatives of any situation they have reasonable grounds to consider a threat to the safety and health of participants;
- b) to inform the security team and/or the Organizer's representatives of any incident;
- c) to cooperate with the security team, the Organizer's representatives and the competent authorities to ensure the proper conduct of the event;
- d) to immediately notify the emergency services, the security team and/or the Organizer's representatives if they notice a fire or any other emergency situation;
- e) to follow the instructions of the Organizer's representatives and security personnel;
- f) to use exclusively the designated access and exit routes and gates;
- g) not to block access gates, exits or evacuation routes;
- h) to notify the Organizer or security personnel of any irregularity observed during participation in the event.

The sale of products, distribution of promotional materials or any other form of advertising within the event area or in the vicinity of the access gates is prohibited without the prior approval of the Organizer.

The Organizer reserves the right to evacuate from the event, in compliance with the applicable legal provisions, participants who fail to comply with the obligations set out in these Rules or who display unruly behavior.

F. Pets

Unlike the previous edition, pets are not permitted within the event area.

G. Cleanliness

In order to maintain cleanliness in the event area, participants are asked to dispose of rubbish and household waste in the specially designated bins available at the venue.

H. Photo/Video

During the event, the Organizer and accredited media representatives have the right to photograph and/or record the event, in compliance with the applicable legal provisions.

The entire event area may be subject to video surveillance by the company providing security and guarding services.

By attending the event, participants/spectators acknowledge that they may be photographed or filmed during the event and that the resulting images may be used by the Organizer for the purpose of promoting the event and related activities, in compliance with applicable personal data protection legislation.

The Municipality of Bucharest, through ARCUB, is committed to the protection of personal data.

For information regarding the processing of personal data and the exercise of rights provided by applicable legislation, participants are invited to consult the data protection policy published by ARCUB and/or contact the Data Protection Officer using the institution's official contact details.

I. Organizer

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The Organizer is not responsible for the theft, loss or destruction of participants' personal belongings.

The Organizer is not responsible for damages caused to participants within the event area as a result of force majeure events or other circumstances beyond its control, in accordance with the law.

These Rules will be displayed in a concise form near the event entrances and may be consulted in full on the Organizer's official website and by scanning the QR code displayed near the event entrances.

The Organizer reserves the right to amend the content of these Rules, in accordance with the law, with such amendments becoming effective from the date of their publication.

By entering the event premises, participants confirm that they have read and understood the provisions of these Rules and undertake to comply with them.