

[English \(http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/ekaterina-degot-receives-the-igor-zabel-award-for-culture-and-theory-2014/?lang=en\)](http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/ekaterina-degot-receives-the-igor-zabel-award-for-culture-and-theory-2014/?lang=en)

# Camera Austria (<http://camera-austria.at/>)

← Aktuelles

[Home \(http://camera-austria.at/\)](http://camera-austria.at/)   [Zeitschrift \(http://camera-austria.at/zeitschrift/\)](http://camera-austria.at/zeitschrift/)   [Ausstellungen \(http://camera-austria.at/ausstellungen/\)](http://camera-austria.at/ausstellungen/)

[Bücher \(http://camera-austria.at/buecher/\)](http://camera-austria.at/buecher/)   [Edition \(http://camera-austria.at/edition/\)](http://camera-austria.at/edition/)   [Bibliothek \(http://camera-austria.at/bibliothek/\)](http://camera-austria.at/bibliothek/)

[Camera Austria Preis \(http://camera-austria.at/camera-austria-preis/\)](http://camera-austria.at/camera-austria-preis/)

[Fotoarchiv Pierre Bourdieu \(http://camera-austria.at/fotoarchiv-pierre-bourdieu/\)](http://camera-austria.at/fotoarchiv-pierre-bourdieu/)

## Ekaterina Degot receives the Igor Zabel Award for Culture and Theory 2014

[← Vorheriger Beitrag \(http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/ausschreibung-der-deutschen-gesellschaft-fuer-photographiebildungspreis-2015-bewerbungsfrist-15-2015/\)](http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/ausschreibung-der-deutschen-gesellschaft-fuer-photographiebildungspreis-2015-bewerbungsfrist-15-2015/)

[Nächster Beitrag \(http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/market-photo-works-announces-manager-for-administration-operations/\)](http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/market-photo-works-announces-manager-for-administration-operations/) →

### Infos

Ekaterina Degot, the art director of the [Academy of the Arts of the World \(http://www.academycologne.org/en/the-academy-of-the-world/about-the-academy.html\)](http://www.academycologne.org/en/the-academy-of-the-world/about-the-academy.html) in Cologne, is the recipient of this year's [Igor Zabel Award \(http://www.erstestiftung.org/project/igor-zabel-award-for-culture-and-theory/\)](http://www.erstestiftung.org/project/igor-zabel-award-for-culture-and-theory/) for Culture and Theory. One of the three Igor Z. working grants is traditionally awarded by the laureate. This year it goes to the Russian activist, writer and translator Kirill Medvedev from his publishing house, Free Marxist Press. The jury awarded two grants to theorists who examine the close interaction between art and cultural developments: the art theorist Karel Cisar from Prague and the art historian Miklavž Komelj from Ljubljana.

With this year's winner, the Igor Zabel Award is sending out a clear signal of support for the new Russian dissident scene. Face the overheated nationalist climate created by the conflict in Ukraine and a new era of East-West confrontation, the scene is finding it increasingly difficult to attract attention within and above all outside of Russia. Ekaterina Degot was awarded the prize for her interdisciplinary work as a writer and curator who primarily focuses on socio-political and aesthetic topics in Russia and Eastern Europe. Her recent blog contributions to the debate on a boycott at Manifesta in St. Petersburg received a great deal of attention. In a subtle manner, she made it clear that it would have been fatal to cut off Russian artists from international exchange at this moment in time, though there was always a risk that the renowned exhibition could be misappropriated to cultivate the image of an undemocratic art scene.

The award ceremony takes place on the evening of 6th November at Viennese Secession in a setting designed by the Austrian architect Gün Domenig. It is followed by a party featuring music from Lüften (Rainer Binder-Kriegelstein and Andreas Fränzl), providing the art scene with an opportunity to exchange thoughts and ideas with the laureate. In the afternoon the prize winners present themselves at a conference at mumok (museum moderner kunst stiftung ludwig wien), whose motto "Continuing Dialogues" was borrowed from the award. The prize winners give insight into their work in dialogues with the jury members.

Endowed with total prize money of € 76,000, the Igor Zabel Award for Culture and Theory has been awarded every two years since 2008 and is thus awarded for the fourth time in 2014. The prize is an initiative of [ERSTE Foundation \(http://www.erstestiftung.org/\)](http://www.erstestiftung.org/) in cooperation with the Igor Zabel Association for Culture and Theory (Ljubljana). It honours exceptional cultural achievements by art historians and art theorists whose work is related to Central, Eastern and South Eastern Europe and encourages cultural dialogue. The prize winners are selected by an international jury. In 2014 the jury consists of philosopher Ketiv Chukhro (Moscow), artist and architect Apolonija Šušteršič (Ljubljana) and the curator and deputy director of mumok, Rainer Fuchs.

[Back to overview \(http://camera-austria.at/\)](http://camera-austria.at/)

Teilen:

[Facebook \(http://www.facebook.com/sharer.php?u=http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/ekaterina-degot-receives-the-igor-zabel-award-for-culture-and-theory-2014/\)](http://www.facebook.com/sharer.php?u=http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/ekaterina-degot-receives-the-igor-zabel-award-for-culture-and-theory-2014/)

[2014/&display=popup&t=Ekaterina Degot receives the Igor Zabel Award for Culture and Theory 2014\)](#)

[Twitter \(https://twitter.com/share\)](https://twitter.com/share)

[← Vorheriger Beitrag \(http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/ausschreibung-der-deutschen-gesellschaft-fuer-photographie-bildungspreis-2015-bewerbungsfrist-15-03-2015/\)](http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/ausschreibung-der-deutschen-gesellschaft-fuer-photographie-bildungspreis-2015-bewerbungsfrist-15-03-2015/)

[Nächster Beitrag \(http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/market-photo-workshop-announces-ma-for-administration-and-operations/\) →](http://camera-austria.at/2014/11/market-photo-workshop-announces-ma-for-administration-and-operations/)

Unterstützt von:

 Camera Austria  
auf Facebook  
<http://www.facebook.com/Camer>

