## Aliante Partners presents: WINDOW AS SEELENFENSTER (SOUL WINDOW) Curated by Melis Bischofberger

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For this edition of Nomad the artists Valentina Angeloni, Sofia Cacciapaglia, Margherita Chiarva, Tommaso Fantoni, Marco Lavit and Asli Turker present works that relate to the idea of windows as a periphery between public and personal, outside and inside.

An art fair, like Nomad, is also a window between the artists' private worlds and the public at large. Nomad's location in the Engadin brings about a multitude of influences, one of which is the theme to this exhibit: Window as Seelenfenster.

Forgotten past of the Alps hide a few mystical secrets that are lost in time. Historically, in the late middle ages some remote places like the upper Wallis, certain homes had tiny windows with wooden frames and lids that were built as Seelenfenster (Soul Window) for the soul of the dead to be liberated for its journey ahead when someone passed away in the house. The doorway between two worlds, symbolized by this little hatch in the wall, let the spirit roam free between the material and the ethereal. A few of its examples can still be seen in these remote valleys.

The Alps, particularly the Engadin, are also home to a peculiar architectural feature of windows with their asymmetrical geometry, that have been inspirational to the artists of this exhibit as well as to many nominal artists of the last century, like Le Corbusier who has spent considerable time in the Engadin, getting inspiration for masterworks like Ronchamp chapel in France, from mostly the windows of the von Albertini house from 1499 that is at the crossing of La-Punt-Chamues-ch.

Artists in this exhibition explore the idea with mediums that include painting, photography, video and design.

## **INFORMATION**

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## **OPENING HOURS**

Thursday 6 11am-3pm / CIRCLE, VIP and PRESS Preview

Thursday 6 3pm-7pm / Open to the public Friday 7 11am-7pm / Open to the public Saturday 8 11am-7pm / Open to the public Sunday 9 11am-7pm / Open to the public

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