Translated introduction of Ed Spanjaard about the Unificazione of Hawar Tawfiq;

The first composition on our program called *Unificazione*, which is composed by a Dutchman who actually escaped as a Kurd from Iraq 15 years ago. In the meantime, he speaks fantastic Dutch and he has composed a very impressive Orchestral work *Unificazione*. Where a very large Orchestra is used and we can be able to performed if we let the two orchestras play together, where really every musician's are involved. It has not been heard here before, it has been completed this year and I really wanted to program it as a novelty but also because I very much believe in the piece. Apart from a virtuosic modern score, We will also hear influences of the country and culture where the composer comes from, and that is very moving to me.

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