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| Media Contact:Danyu XuDeputy Director of Communications+86 10 5780 0258+86 138 1082 9590danyu.xu@ucca.org.cn | UCCA Remembers Myriam UllensReleased March 30, 2023Beijing, CHINA — UCCA is deeply saddened to learn of the tragic death of Myriam Ullens yesterday in Belgium. In 2007, Myriam and her husband Guy Ullens founded UCCA as the Ullens Center for Contemporary Art, consolidating their years of support for contemporary art in China and making an invaluable contribution towards its continued development. Although the Ullens transferred ownership of the institution to a new group of patrons and shareholders in 2017, they remained members of the UCCA community, serving on our Foundation Council and frequently joining us to celebrate UCCA programs in China and abroad.“The vision and passion of Myriam Ullens—her love for art, belief in cultural exchange, and commitment to helping others—are at the core of UCCA’s history and values. We are shocked and saddened by her death, and will remember her strength, style, creativity, and generosity as we carry forward the work of the institution that she and Guy so generously founded and nurtured through its first decade,” notes UCCA Director Philip Tinari.In addition to founding UCCA, Guy and Myriam also operated the Fondation Guy & Myriam Ullens and the Ullens School, a not-for-profit educational institution in Nepal. Myriam was a cancer survivor, and in 2004 she founded the Mimi Foundation to provide support for cancer patients. Combining her love of fashion and travel, she also ran her own clothing brand, Maison Ullens. Our thoughts are with her friends and family at this time. |