

### EURO-BALKAN FILM FESTIVAL VII edition Rome – 6-12 November 2024 An Eurimages Producer's Guide

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 human rights
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### Since 1989...

Supporting the European film industry (and beyond)

Encouraging co-operation across borders

Promoting the concept of co-production



38 European Member States

non-European Member State

Canada since 2017





**5**PROGRAMMES
€27.5M BUDGET

#### **CO-PRODUCTION**

Encouraging co-operation between professionals in the film sector

- Independent producers
- Fiction, animation, documentary and cross-over
- Soft loans

## FILM MARKETING AND AUDIENCE DEVELOPMENT

Improving circulation and visibility of Eurimages-supported films

#### **EXHIBITION**

Increasing the programming of European films and developing a network of exhibitors

- Complementary to Creative Europe
   Media Programme (5 countries + 1)
- Europa Cinemas

#### **PROMOTION**

Increasing the visibility of the Fund and co-production

- Co-production Developments Awards
- Lab Project Awards
- Sponsorship and Patronage
- European Film Award for Coproduction

### GENDER & DIVERSITY

Reducing gender inequality and promoting access to the AV sector

- Promotion and awareness-raising activities
- Audentia Award
- Sponsorship & Residencies
- Diversity strategy



### EURIMAGES ....focus on co-production





2 495 international co-prods since 1989 = 709 million euros

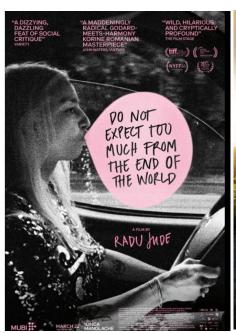


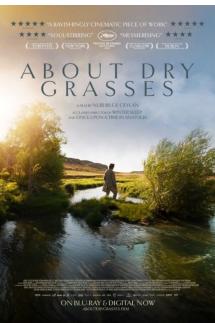
### Focus on co-production

2023

94 projects supported

71 fiction features 16 documentaries 7 animated features







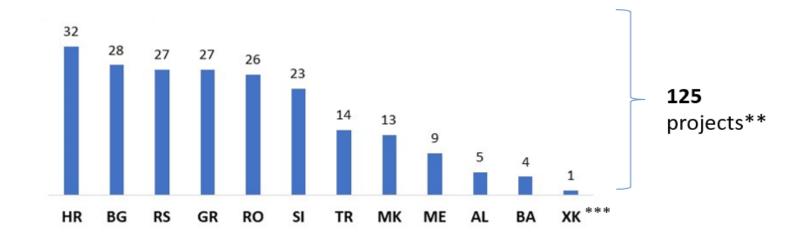




### European co-productions with Balkan countries

• Projects supported by Eurimages including co-producers from EuroBalkan countries

Nr of co-productions involving EuroBalkan co-producers, by co-producing countries\* (2019-2023)



<sup>\*</sup> Refers to official co-productions, including participation as minority co-producers.

Source: Eurimages



<sup>\*\*</sup> The number of total projects does not equal the sum of projects from individual countries as each film is co-produced by several countries.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> All references to Kosovo, whether the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nation 's Security Council Resolution 1244, without prejudice to the status of Kosovo and to the positions of individual Council of Europe member States on the status of Kosovo.

### European co-productions with Balkan countries

Top 3 most frequent interactions, by co-producing country\* (2019-2023)











GR - Greece 1. FR 2. BG 3. DE



HR - Croatia 1. RS 2. SI 3. IT









RS - Serbia 1. HR 2. SI 3. ME



SI - Slovenia 1. HR / RS 2. IT 3. FR



TR - Türkiye 1. DE 2. FR 3. GR



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### EURIMAGES ....co-production

- Supports <u>features</u> (fiction, docu, animation)
  - minimum 70 minutes THEATRICAL
- Producers from at least 2 member countries
- Non-Eurimages producers 30% or less
- Subsidy up to € 150 000 support
- Soft loan €151 000 to max €500 000
  - limited to 17% (fiction/anim) or 25% (female directors/docs) of total cost
- "Official" co-productions
  - bilateral treaty or convention



### EURIMAGES ....co-production

- Less than 50% shooting <u>before</u> evaluation
  - > 80% for character or event-driven documentaries
- 50% financing secured each country
  - calculation includes unconfirmed Eurimages
  - must include eligible financing
- Points test for 'Eurimages' elements
- Selective
- Application on-line





### **EURIMAGES**...selection criteria

#### ARTISTIC AND PRODUCTION CRITERIA

- Quality of script
- Vision and style of director
- Confirmed level of financing (and consistency)
- Creative team
- Artistic and technical cooperation
- Circulation potential
- > Existence of measures for green production
- Values of COE



### **EURIMAGES**...selection criteria

#### ARTISTIC AND PRODUCTION CRITERIA

- Packaging: a fundamental role
  - > synopsis
  - script / treatment for documentaries
  - director's note of intent (visual approach + access + why cinema)
  - producer's note of intent
  - audiovisual materials
- Level of development: key
- Previous audiovisual work of the director
- Good translation (of the artistic material) into EN / FR



### Film Marketing & Audience Development

# Starting points



Only films supported within the Eurimages coproduction support programme are eligible for this new support



Films co-produced by all member States are eligible



Available budget remains similar to previous Distribution support programme (0.75M€ for 2024)



Consultations & inputs from

- Professional organisations
- Public organisations
- Private actors



### Film Marketing & Audience Development

### Objectives of the programme



To promote innovative marketing solutions aimed at developing audiences for a selection of films supported by Eurimages



#### **Expected outcome**

Eurimages supported films reach a wider audience in the territories where they are released







### **EURIMAGES**Film Marketing & Audience Development

# A film marketing support

For producers of Eurimages-supported co-productions

to design from an early stage of the project innovative marketing solutions to develop an audience

In coordination with marketing professionals

Sales agents, distributors, marketing and communication agencies...

that benefit the whole value chain and international & national distribution

For a selection of films

that could maximise their audience and circulation potential with an additional push



### Film Marketing & Audience Development

### **Eligibility criteria**

- already received Eurimages co-production support
- before first market presentation or festival screening
- sales agent attached to the project





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