**CEDOC MARKET OPENS SUBMISSIONS**

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**The submissions for CEDOC MARKET (Central European Documentary Coproduction Market) organized by the Film Fundacja im. Władysław Ślesicki and the Krakow Film Festival are now open. The market aims for producers with a documentary project in development or early production. Participation in the market is an opportunity to meet potential co-producers as well as sales agents, distributors or film funds. The submissions will last until April 10, 2022.**

CEDOC MARKET (Central European Documentary Coproduction Market) during the Krakow Film Festival is the only co-production platform in Poland aimed at documentary producers looking for Polish and foreign partners. The event, organized since 2015, focuses primarily on building creative cooperation between producers and creators from all over Europe. Market is part of the DOC LAB POLAND program and takes place as part of KFF Industry.

“Building a professional network is one of the basic tools to support filmmakers and bring them closer to the make their projects. CEDOC is just such an event. It aims to allow producers and directors to develop this network to the maximum in a short time and find the support they are looking for: a co-producer, sales agent, festival premiere or cooperation with a film fund. In the selection, we choose projects from all over Europe, which allows participants to place their projects internationally, exchange experience and establish creative cooperation outside the countries they come from” - says Agnieszka Rostropowicz-Rutkowska, CEDOC MARKET manager.

We invite producers of documentary projects in the development stage or at an early stage of production. You can also apply for the event without a project, then the producer's experience in international co-productions will be taken into account. Market participants (producers and, optionally, directors) receive Industry accreditation allowing them to participate in all industry events of the festival and authorizing them to enter the screenings in the official KFF program. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, details of the event will be announced at a later date.

The specificity of CEDOC Market are multi-track meetings. On the one hand producers, as in most markets, meet with representatives of film funds, training programs, sales agents or TV broadcasters. Previous editions of the event gathered over 60 representatives of the film industry from around the world. Last year, they were representatives of, among others HBO Europe, Al Jazeera Documentary Channel, ARTE, YLE, Sarajevo Film Festival, Scottish Documentary Institute, DOK. Leipzig, Baltic Sea Forum, Visions du Reel, Docs Barcelona Industry, Cat’n’docs, Syndicado and Taskovski Films. On the other hand, producers meet each other and present their projects to each other - in this way, each producer plays a double role. Previous editions gathered representatives of production companies such as Silver Frame (Poland), nutprodukcia (Slovakia), Neue Celluloid Fabrik (Germany), Artline Films (France), Kundschafter Filmproduktion (Germany), Inselfilm (Germany) Momento Films (Sweden), Tondovsky Films (Germany), House of Real (Denmark), Tuffi Films (Finland), Vernes (Czech Republic), Virc Studio (Slovenia), Lukimedia (Spain), Speak Easy Project (Hungary), Elemag Pictures (Germany), Arena (Kosovo), Marx Film (Estonia), Kijora Film (Poland), Aurora Film (Norway), Haka Films (Poland), Centrala (Poland), Einbahnstrasse Productions (Germany).

An important part of CEDOC are also "round tables" devoted to selected topics corresponding to the specificity of the films they are working on.

Submissions for CEDOC Market lasts until April 10, 2022. The cost of participation in the market - for selected projects is PLN 200 + VAT / 50 EUR per project for projects from outside Poland. Projects submitted before the early bird deadline, 31st March 2022, will have their fee waived. The application form is available at the link <http://doclab.pl/pl_PL/nabor/formularz/>.

This year CEDOC teams up with PITCH THE DOC – an online hub focused on international promotion of curated documentary film projects and dedicated for film professionals. The cooperation will facilitate convenient access to all the projects’ details collected in one place. Pitch the Doc’s contribution will also have positive impact on establishing contacts beyond the physical market and making it easier to follow-up on the further development of projects presented at CEDOC, also after the event and for those unable to participate in meetings in Cracow. We believe this collaboration will benefit all participating filmmakers, producers and industry professionals.

The previous editions of CEDOC MARKET presented Polish productions such as "Trains" by Maciej Drygas, "Newborn" by Lidia Duda, "Wika!" Agnieszka Zwiefka, "Diagnosis" by Ewa Podgórska, "Pollywood" by Paweł Ferdek, "The Village of Swimming Cows" by Katarzyna Trzaska, "Ordinary Country" by Tomasz Wolski, "Opera About Poland" by Piotr Stasik and "The Last Expedition" by Eliza Kubarska.

CEDOC MARKET is one of the initiatives organized by the Film Fundacja im. Władysław Ślesicki, whose main task is to support and promote Polish documentary films, support young, debuting filmmakers, organize workshops, conferences, competitions, and film production. The activities of the foundation include programs such as DOC LAB POLAND, the largest Polish initiative for professional documentary filmmakers, combining substantive consultations on film projects with presentations for potential partners: producers, distributors, sales agents (CEDOC MARKET is also part of DOC LAB POLAND); DOC DEVELOPMENT, a program of intensive development of documentary projects at an early stage, IMPAKT - a program for producers developing fictional and documentary projects, PIERWSZY FILM - a program for high school students and students taking their first steps in film, or DOC HOT SELECTION, i.e. screenings of the most interesting and newest Polish documentary films combined with original meetings. Find out more at: www.fundfilm.pl.

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