

INTENSIVE WORKSHOP FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF DOCUMENTARY FILM PROJECTS

for producers based in Germany, in the States of Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, Thuringia and Hesse

Workshop in Weimar (Germany) from March 4 to 8, 2024

DEADLINE TO APPLY: THURSDAY JANUARY 11, 2024

A unique opportunity to get a deeper insight into international coproduction skills, benefit from personalized mentoring, and to create new connections with international documentary professionals!

For 25 years, EURODOC – International Lab for Creative Documentary Production - has been training generations of professionals across Europe. Its main program, designed for producers developing a documentary feature-length project with international potential, has consistently contributed to training engaged and passionate creative producers from all over Europe and beyond, now part of a network of more than 1600 professionals from 60 countries worldwide.

In 2024, the first of the three sessions composing the yearly international program will take place in Germany (Weimar), thanks to the partnership with MDM – Mitteldeutsche Medienförderung, and in cooperation with Hessen Film & Medien.



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From March 4 to 8, in parallel and in connection with the first session of the yearly international program, circa 9 film professionals based in the federal states of Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, Thuringia and circa 3 from Hesse in Germany will have the possibility to attend this 5-day residential workshop in Weimar (Germany). Beside the intensive work in the group with their tutor, several units are held in common with the international cohort, in order to multiply the networking opportunities and the sharing of practices.

WHEN: Monday, March 4 at 11.00am to Saturday morning, March 9 (the workshop will end with a dinner and party on Friday night).

WHERE: Weimar (Germany) – 5 hotel nights included.

FOR WHOM: The workshop is reserved to professionals based in the federal states of Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt, Thuringia and Hesse. The priority will be given to professionals based in Saxony, Saxony-Anhalt and Thuringia.

The workshop is open to Producers or Directors-Producers with a film project preferably at the development stage. The possibility of attendance of the director alongside the producer will be examined on a case-to-case basis. The projects can be at different stages: in writing, in development or in pre-production.

The workshop is also open to professionals participating without a project but only if they are industry professionals involved in institutions and organizations supporting documentary films (commissioning editors at public or private channels, national or regional film funds, etc.).

PROGRAM:

The participants will mainly work on the development of their projects with their tutor, a European experienced producer, and will strengthen their skills in European and international coproduction. They benefit from full access to the master-classes and case studies (screening followed by a Q&A focusing on the production process) with the participants of the yearly training EURODOC23. They receive individual one-to-one consultations on their film project with a dedicated expert on-site, and also have access to a

thorough online program of panels, masterclasses, virtual screenings and webinars for 12 months from the moment of their selection until the end of 2024.

Please note we also offer a special BIPOC program (group work, individual mentoring, and special panels online) that you are welcome to join once you are selected. Do not hesitate to mention your interest in your application.

TUTOR: Aline Schmid (Producer at Beauvoir Films, Switzerland)

Born in 1980 in Aargau / Switzerland, Schmid is a Swiss producer. Aline Schmid studied Social Sciences in Fribourg as well as screen writing in Stuttgart. After several positions at Swiss and international film and music festivals, she became Head of Distribution for Cineworx in Basel in 2006. She then worked as a producer at Intermezzo Films before setting up her own production company "Beauvoir Films" in 2016. Aline Schmid produced SONITA (Sundance / IDFA Awards), BROKEN LAND (Locarno, Rotterdam) and CANTOS (Dok.fest Award). Films as producer (selection): ALMOST THERE (2016), TINOU (2016), HORIZONTES (2015), BROKEN LAND (2014), CANTOS (2013).

LANGUAGES: GERMAN (group work) and ENGLISH (Group work, master-classes, case studies).

HOW TO APPLY: For project-holders, Applications must be submitted through our platform <https://submissions-eurodoc.festicine.fr>

A PDF document of 10Mb max. **and 15 pages max.** including the following documents in English will be requested, containing:

- COVER PAGE with title / name of the producer who will follow the training in case of selection;
- LOGLINE & STORY SUMMARY;
- DIRECTOR'S INTENTIONS;
- BUDGET & FINANCING PLAN (in Euros) - production or development;
- PRODUCTION STRATEGY;
- BIOGRAPHY & FILMOGRAPHY OF THE DIRECTOR(S);
- BIOGRAPHY & FILMOGRAPHY OF THE PRODUCER(S) (including the applicant's);
- PRESENTATION OF THE PRODUCTION COMPANY;
- ONE PAGE COMPRISING VIDEO LINKS: LINKS TO PREVIOUS FILMS (WITH PASSWORDS) OF THE DIRECTOR(S), LINKS TO PREVIOUS FILMS (WITH PASSWORDS) OF THE PRODUCER(S) and TRAILER/TEASER / VISUAL SAMPLES OF THE PROJECT (mandatory) - not more than 10 minutes;
- LETTER OR SHORT VIDEO (not more than 3 minutes) EXPLAINING YOUR MOTIVATION TO ATTEND EURODOC.

For applicants without a project (Commissioning Editors, Film Funds representatives), applications are to be sent by email to contact@eurodoc-net.com and must include the following information:

- CURRICULUM VITAE;
- COMPANY'S PROFILE;
- MOTIVATION LETTER.

In addition a German version of the dossier is appreciated (and will be requested in case of selection), only if the two versions are strictly the same.

COSTS: participation fee as well as 70% of the subsistence costs (5 nights at the Hotel with full board) are covered by EURODOC and MDM - Mitteldeutsche Medienförderung. Only the travel costs and the 30% remaining subsistence costs will be at the participant's charge (+/- 350€).

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