SHORT FILMS SUPPORTS IN EUROPE

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Funding opportunities

Centre du Cinéma et de l’Audiovisuel (CCA)

CSF (Film Selection Commission) – Short-length Films production and postproduction support - made up of professionals, must issue an advice on each admissible file submitted by the candidates. This advice is then transmitted to the competent Minister, who decides on granting or not the subsidies. For short-length films, the committee meets 3 times a year. The members are spread over 2 colleges to examine the projects:
- 1st college: Director’s first short-length film
- 2nd college: Director’s 2nd and following short-length film

Supported Projects: cinematographic works of less than 60 min. (fiction, animation) dedicated to cinema theatres screening in priority.

Amounts: The subsidies to production or post-production granted by the French Community of Belgium are advances on income, reimbursable from the first euro on the net operating world income of the film. Actually, producers can apply for maximum 42500 € for fictions or 50000 € for animated films. Foreign projects can be eligible if all the admissibility conditions are met. The maximum amount for those projects is 15000 €.

Admissibility: independent production company, registered in Belgium. The whole support has to be spent in Belgium. The director has to be Belgian or European citizen (or resident in Belgium for 5 years). The director’s nationality and country of residence play a part in the distinction between a national or a foreign project.

For foreign projects: All the admissibility conditions above must have been met. 30% of the financing has to be confirmed. In 2010, 27 shorts have been granted for production or post-production (38000 € in average).

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Regional Funds

**CLAP**: Bureau d’accueil des tournages des Provinces de Liège, Luxembourg et Namur
Support grant to the production of short-length films

**Supported projects:** short-length film

**Admissibility:** grants are strictly limited to short films produced by a Belgian producer, possibly co-produced with a foreign producer.

**Maximal aid:** 2000 € paid in 2 instalments: first, after the location scouting and second, after the production.

**Conditions:** set-finding in the Provinces of Liège, Luxembourg and/or Namur, as well as the shooting if set-finding prospecting is positive. The request can be filed any time.

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www.clapliege.be

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**Vlaams Audiovisueel Fonds (VAF)** - Aid to production

**Supported projects:** short-length (up to 25 min.) and medium-length (between 25 and 59 min.) fiction films, animated films and documentaries.

**Maximal aid**
- Fiction: 87500 € (shorts)
  300000 € (medium)
- Documentaries: 42500 €

**Tax Shelter**
The Tax Shelter is a tax incentive meant to encourage the production of Belgian audiovisual works and films. This mechanism allows a company wishing to invest by providing financial backing for audiovisual productions to benefit from exemption of any retained taxable profits worth up to 150% of the sums actually paid.

**Eligibility:** all resident companies and Belgian establishments of non-resident companies whose main purpose is the development and the production of audiovisual works with the exception, however, of television broadcasting companies. To be eligible, audiovisual works must be approved by relevant departments of the Community as a European work as defined by the Directive «Television without frontiers » of October 3, 1989 (89/552/EEC).

**Tax Shelter and short length films**
Since January 1st, 2010 the opportunity to benefit from the tax shelter is open to short films. This mechanism is therefore a new possibility of financing this type of work. While some companies are beginning to include the tax shelter in their short films financing plan, this is still a new phenomenon, and therefore more difficult to quantify and evaluate.

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The French Community of Belgium (Centre du Cinéma et de l’Audiovisuel) has, for its part, concluded five co-production agreements with: Portugal, Tunisia, Morocco, Italy and France.

Online professional directory:
www.weloveshortfilms.com
www.bsff.be

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:

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Online professional directory:
www.wallimage.be
www.mediasbase.be
www.bruxellestournage.be
www.keynet.be
Bulgaria

Funding opportunities

**Bulgarian National Film Center (Executive Agency)**

The focus of the Bulgarian National Film Center is on the support of making, distribution, promotion, and exhibition of national film productions. It is fully supported from the government. The principal of the Bulgarian National Film Center is the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Bulgaria. The following genres are eligible for funding by the Bulgarian National Film Center:

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- Development and production of feature films (over 70 minutes), short features (between 15 and 30 minutes), short and feature length documentaries and animation;
- Minority co-productions;
- Local theatrical distribution of Bulgarian movies (including supported minority co-productions);
- Festivals and other cinema events;
- International promotion of Bulgarian films (participation of films and filmmakers at international festivals and other major cinema events).

Only companies registered according the Bulgarian Trade Law and registered as producers, distributors or exhibitors at the National Film Center – Bulgaria can apply for funding. The state support is allocated to film projects, selected by a National Commission of experts on a competitive basis.

With the Bulgarian National Film Center’s financial support in 2011, 7 feature films, 5 feature documentaries, 3 medium-length documentaries (up to 60 min), 7 animation shorts, 2 minority feature film co-productions, 2 feature-length documentary minority co-productions and 1 medium-length documentary minority co-production were made. There are completed 5 feature films financed independently.

The Bulgarian National Film Centre is a European Film Promotion member since 2005.

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**GENERAL OVERVIEW**

*Population:* 7,364,570  
(as for 1st February 2011)  

*Language:* Bulgarian  

*Currency:* Lev (BGN)  

1 EUR = 1.95583 BGN

*Number of screens* (2011): 28 cinemas with 131 screens

*Average admission per inhabitants* (2011): 0.6

*Full-length films* (2011): 20 productions (7 state, 5 independent, 8 international); 9 co-productions (4 state, 5 international)

*Short-length films* (2011): 10 productions (independent), 2 co-productions (independent)

**Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:**  
Bulgarian National Film Center
The National Culture Fund was established within the framework of the Ministry of Culture and started functioning in 2000. The National Culture Fund supports the development of Bulgarian culture through subsidizing different arts, cultural activities and authors. Its main goal is to support the development of culture by raising, managing and allotting funds for the purpose of pursuing the national policy in the field of culture. The priorities in the NCF activity are also in compliance with the criteria set forth in Chapter “Culture & Audio-visual Policy” of the EU Accession Treaty of Bulgaria.

**National Culture Fund**
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**Regional Fund**

**Sofia Municipality Culture Program**
This program changes its priority every year but there is a line for the support of audio-visual works. It has one session a year for documentary and the amount of support is up to 20000 BGN (less than 20000,00 €). All the projects must be connected in certain way to the town of Sofia.

**Sofia Municipality - Culture Department**
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**Events**

**Sofia International Film Festival (short film section)**
Sofia Film Festival is a competitive festival specialized in first and second films. It takes place annually in March. Best Bulgarian shorts are awarded and the festival presents several programmes of European shorts.

In the framework of the festival, the Sofia Meetings offer a co-production market with presentation of upcoming directors (1st, 2nd or 3rd) projects and Balkan & Industry screenings for professionals.

www.siff.bg

**Bulgaria has bilateral co-production agreements with four countries:**
Italy, France, Canada and Russia.

Bulgaria has ratified the European Convention on Cinematographic Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

**CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:**

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GENERAL OVERVIEW

**Population:** 4,48 million
**Language:** Croatian
**Currency:** Croatian Kuna (HRK)  1 Euro: 7,59 Kuna*

**Number of screens/cinemas:** 117 screens (8 digital screens) / 71 cinemas

**Average admission per inhabitants:** 0,7

**Full-length films (2012):** 10 productions & 10 co-productions

**Short-length films (2012):** 45 short films supported by HAVC (Croatian minority co-productions – 3 supported by HAVC)

**Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:** The Croatian Audiovisual Centre (HAVC)

* European Central Bank, March 15, 2013

Funding opportunities

**The Croatian Audiovisual Centre**

Founded in 2008, the Croatian Audiovisual Centre (HAVC) is the Government backed-strategic agency for the audiovisual sector in Croatia. It aims to stimulate a successful, vibrant audiovisual industry as well as to promote the widest possible enjoyment and understanding of audiovisual works throughout Croatia. As a main audiovisual agency in Croatia, the Centre has assumed the overall responsibility for the growth of Croatia’s audiovisual industry. Its remit ranges from supporting production, distribution, exhibition, marketing and promotion, to professional training and supporting national film archive through the system of public subsidies. The Centre also promotes Croatian films and co-productions at all major festivals and markets.

**Funding:** HAVC is operating with the annual budget of around 10 million €.

There is three separate short films support schemes: for fiction, animation and experimental shorts. The call for applications for all three schemes is issued twice a year. 58 short films were supported in 2009/2010 with a total amount of 1,2 million €.

**International Co-productions with Minority Croatian Participation**

HAVC supports international feature film co-productions with minority Croatian participation: fiction, documentaries and animation. As of the end of 2010 HAVC has introduced minority co-production funding also for short films - fiction, animation and experimental shorts. The call for applications for this scheme is an open call with decisions taken on a quarterly basis.

In 2012, 45 milion HRK (5,93 million €) were spent for production.

**HAVC**

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Additional public support bodies are City Office for Education, Culture and Sport – **City of Zagreb** which runs a regular yearly support scheme for shorts, documentaries and animation, and as of recently City Office for Culture – **City of Rijeka**.
Croatia had signed bilateral co-production agreements with the following countries: Canada, France, Germany and Italy. Croatia has also ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

Online professional directory:
www.havc.hr/userfiles/file/AdresBook2013_blok_priprema.pdf

Events

25 FPS Festival – Zagreb
The festival screens independent and non-commercial films (maximum 60 minutes), which explore the possibilities of cinematic language, narration and the medium itself, cross film types and genres. The event is in September. Film submission deadline is in May.
www.25fps.hr

Tabor Film Festival
Tabor Festival in an international short film festival that takes place close to Zagreb in June. Apart from competitions, the festival also includes retrospective programme, workshops, music programme, exhibitions… Film submission deadline is in March.
www.taborfilmfestival.com/2013/en/

Animafest Zagreb
World Festival of Animated Film - Animafest Zagreb - runs on an annual principle, even years are dedicated to short and odd years to feature animated film.
www.animafest.hr

Motovun Film Festival (section for shorts)
Motovun Film Festival is entirely dedicated to films made in small cinematographies and independent productions, films that broke out through their innovation, ideas, and the power of their stories.
www.motovunfilmfestival.com

ZagrebDox (section for short documentaries)
ZagrebDox is an international documentary film festival taking place in Zagreb every year, in late February / early March.
www.zagrebdox.net

Zagreb Film Festival (section for short)
The main competition program of the festival presents new first or second films of international directors (long and short length films).
www.zagrebfilmfestival.com

Pula Film Festival (section for European fiction shorts)
Pula Film Festival is the most popular film festival in Croatia (78,000 visitors in 2012). It’s a 15 days open air event that offers national and European competitions.
www.taborfilmfestival.com

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:
Croatia had signed bilateral co-production agreements with the following countries: Canada, France, Germany and Italy.

Croatia has also ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

ONLINE PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY:
www.havc.hr/userfiles/file/AdresBook2013_blok_priprema.pdf
GENERAL OVERVIEW

Population: 5,580,516 million
Language: Danish
Currency: Danish krone
1 Euro = 7,4566 DDKK*

Number of theatres and screens: 155 theatres / 400 screens

Average admission per inhabitants: 2.2 in 2011 (27% of Danish films)

Full-length films: 33 with cinema release (8 documentaries) / 6 co-productions with Denmark as a minor in 2011

Short-length films (2011): 11 short and middle length films were supported by the DFI in 2011 (Film workshop excluded)

Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema: Danish Film Institute (DFI)

* European Central Bank, March 2013.

Funding opportunities

Danish Film Institute (DFI)

**Film Commissioner Scheme**
Support for films of artistic merit. **Minor coproduction**s for Danish producers who have invested in international productions. The Film Institute, DR TV and TV2 shall between them set aside about DDKK 217 million (approx. 29.21 million €) for the development, production and distribution of short and documentary films during the four year period of the Film Agreement.

DFI may subsidise the development and production of Danish short and documentary films and the participation by Danish producers in international short and documentary film co-productions. The objective of such subsidies is to ensure the continuous production of different types of film so that in terms of variety, volume, artistic quality, and audience appeal the overall range of Danish short and documentary films maintains and develops the art and culture of Danish film at home and abroad.

**Script subsidies**: the preparation of film scripts-including synopsis, story-line, concept, treatment, script research, scriptwriting, and the acquisition of rights, rant to a writer, a director working on his or her own script, a producer, or a team of these.

**Applications** for script subsidies must state whether the project has applied for or received other subsidies. Normally, half of the amount of a script subsidy will be disbursed upon receipt of the applicant’s written notice of acceptance of DFI’s notice of subsidy allocation. The other half is normally disbursed when the DFI consultant approves the result of the subsidised project.

**Development subsidies**: the DFI may grant a development subsidy to a film project if it is assessed that development would be of considerable significance in strengthening the project artistically, financially, or technically, or in relation to its target group or audience potential. Subsidies may be granted for all kinds of development costs, including the acquisition of services from third parties. Development subsidy may be granted to a Danish film producer provided the producer or the senior staff of the production company can document experience...
in film production or experience as producers, and have film production as their prime occupation. Applications must contain a precise description of the factors for which development subsidy is being sought, a list of the expected results of project development, and a project development schedule and budget. The producer is responsible for the completion of the development process and must submit accounts for any expenses incurred in connection with the development of the project.

Production subsidies (co-productions with a foreign majority production company): Production subsidies are granted on the basis of an approved budget drawn up on an approved DFI budget form. Production subsidies are disbursed in instalments. The DFI determines the size of each instalment on the basis of the approved cash-flow plan. Subsidies are normally disbursed in four instalments.

The “Filmværksted” / film workshop is for all the smaller films.
- **Audience**: young Danish Director: 18-30 years
  This is for students and projects where people work for free.
- **Before submission**: Seminars and workshop for directors and scriptwriter about writing moving images, fundraising, reading scripts, rights and how to work as a producer. Meeting with the head of the Film Workshop about the project presented.
- **Submission deadline**: 4 times every years, 2 consultant choose: one on fiction one on documentary. Answer: 6 weeks after the deadline.
- **Technical support** provided
- **Amount**: app. 20,000 DKK if the project is selected.

New Danish Screen

**New Danish Screen**

It is founded on a partnership between the Danish Broadcasting Corporation DR, TV2 and the Danish Film Institute (DFI), and abides by the current Film Policy Accord. NDS was initiated as a “talent development” institution to help the young directors, that was not experienced enough to apply for the other support solutions, to get a chance to make a short (or sometimes feature) film production. The bigger films that go through the bigger Danish production companies apply for the New Danish Screen.

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www.dfi.dk

Regional Funds

**Den VESTDANZSKE FILMPULDJE**

The West Danish Film Fund provides European independent production companies with financial support for the development and production of film and television projects (fiction, documentaries, shorts, multimedia and animation). The fund has 1 million € a year to productions with a positive impact on the regional film and media industry.

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Filmbyen 23
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Broadcasters

According to the Film Policy Accord 2011-2014 and the Media Policy Accord 2011-2014, the Danish public-service broadcasters (DR and TV2 Denmark) are obliged to participate in the production of Danish fiction and documentary films through investment and acquisition of rights.

**Danish Broadcasting Corporation**

DR is an independent, licence financed public institution. DR TV comprises two channels, DR1 and DR2 - and three new channels from November 2009: DR K (Culture, history, music), DR Ramasjang (Children's programming) and DR 3 (youth culture and documentaries).

**DR Byen**

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www.dr.dk

**TV 2**

TV 2 is a publicly owned television station in Denmark based in Odense. It has five subsidiary stations known as TV 2 Zulu, targeted at youth, TV 2 Charlie, oriented towards older audiences, TV 2 News, Denmark's first 24-hour news channel, TV 2 Film, a non-stop movie channel and TV 2 Sport, as well as the internet-based pay-per-view channel TV 2 Sputnik.

**DR International Sales**

DR International Sales is the largest international distributor in Scandinavia. The programmes are produced by DR as well as by independent film companies and range within the genres of documentary, drama, children & youth and music & arts.

**FilmFyn**

FilmFyn is a regional fund, covering South Funen, in Denmark. The budget is about 1,5 millions of Euros per year of which more than 1 million Euros is invested in feature films shot on location in the area. They are involved in several international films, from the development stage and onwards and work closely with other Danish and international partners.

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Short Film Events

Odense International Film Festival
An independent short and documentary film festival in Odense with both an international and a national competition. The festival hosts Talent Camp Odense, training for young filmmakers who work on their next short films. The event is in August and film submission deadline is in April.
www.filmfestival.dk

Nordisk Panorama
Nordic short and documentary film festival, that travels between Finland, Norway, Iceland, Sweden and Denmark. The event takes place in September.
www.nordiskpanorama.com

BUSTER (section for shorts)
Copenhagen International Film Festival for Children and Youth Danish and international children’s cinema with a forum for filmmakers, educators and others with an interest in children’s films.
www.buster.dk

CPH:DOX Forum & Market (sections for short documentaries)
Documentary Festival - CPH:DOX is devoted to supporting independent and innovative film and presents the best and brightest in contemporary non-fiction, art cinema and experimental film.
www.cphdox.dk

Oregon
Festival for young filmmakers – mostly short films.
www.oregonfilmfestival.dk

Salaam DK - Multicultural Film Festival (section for shorts)
Focus on issues related to the modern, multicultural society.
www.salaam.dk

MIX Copenhagen (section for shorts)
Gay and Lesbian Film Festival.
www.mixcopenhagen.dk

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:
Co-production agreements associate Denmark with France and Canada. An agreement with Australia is in progress.

Denmark has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

ONLINE PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY:
www.dfi.dk/Branche_og_stoette/DFI-Bogen/DFI-bogen-english.aspx
SHORT FILMS SUPPORTS IN...

ESTONIA 🇪🇪

Funding opportunities

Estonian Film Institute
Short film production support

Amounts: in 2010, the budget for short features support was 73727 €. The aid shall not exceed 22369 euros and 50 % of the production total budget (up to 70 % in particular case).

Conditions: the film project needs to meet at least three of the following criteria:
- the screenplay is mainly set in Estonia, or in another Member State of the European Union, or in a State that is a party to the Agreement establishing the European Economic Area, or in Switzerland;
- at least one of the principal characters is connected with Estonian culture or the Estonian language;
- the original screenplay is mainly written in the Estonian language;
- the screenplay is an adaptation of an original Estonian literary work;
- the main theme of the film concerns art and/or an artist/artists;
- the main theme of the film concerns historical figures or events;
- the main theme of the film addresses actual, cultural, social or political issues relevant to the Estonian population.

In case of co-production applications, Estonian production companies, the co-producers, must present application. Estonia has to have some sort of creative input: actors, director, producer, composer, cinematographer etc. Estonia has to have at least 10 % share in the film.

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In addition to film production grants, the Cultural Endowment of Estonia also issues training, publishing and film event grants as well as annual rewards for outstanding creative accomplishments. Estonian producers can apply with international co-production projects.

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Funding opportunities

The Finnish Film Foundation

The Finnish Film Foundation grants support for professional Finnish film production. The goal of the Foundation is to promote high-quality, versatile and unique Finnish film. Support can be granted for feature-length, short and episodic fiction, documentary, animation and children's films.

Admissibility: a production company holding the rights to a film in Finland can be granted advance support for production for the completion of the film.

Amounts: granted production support can cover a maximum of 50% of the film's production costs, including any development support already granted for the project by the Foundation. Around 20 short films are supported by the Finnish film foundation each year.

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The Promotion Centre for Audiovisual Culture (AVEK)

AVEK uses its share of copyright remuneration to promote audiovisual culture. The majority of the funds that AVEK distributes originate from private copying levy, eg. from blank video cassettes and blank DVDs.

AVEK aims to reinforce the production structure of the Finnish audiovisual industry by promoting the kind of long-term audiovisual program production that uses the available resources as effectively as possible. However, AVEK also promotes new talent in the field.

AVEK funds short films, documentaries, videos, media art and experimental work. These productions may be intended for TV, video distribution or some other form of audiovisual presentation or distribution. Special attention is paid to subject matter, theme and narration, and the overall expressive impact of the project.

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BlinkaMovie

BlinkaMovie is a new commercial short film distribution platform online supported by the Finnish Film Foundation. The platform is open to Finnish and international films under 20 minutes long. Two categories are provided: Free films and Exclusives. Free films are already distributed free on the Internet but will be given a spotlight. Exclusives are short stories offered on pay-per-view basis and filmmakers will receive about half of the income produced.

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films@blinkamovie.com
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CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:

Finland has signed bilateral co-production agreements with France and Canada.

Finland has also ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

Online professional directory:
www.elonet.fi
www.satu.fi/jasenet
www.favex.fi
www.ses.fi
National Center of Cinema and motion pictures (CNC)

Pre-production grants – commission examines any project less than one hour long (fiction, animation, creative documentary, experimental, essay…) whatever is the format (film or video).

Selection: 190 applications per session (8 sessions per year)
Admissibility: projects have to be submitted before their start. The auteur-director can make the application alone or with a production company. In 2011, 48 pre-production grants were provided with a total amount of 3,274 M€ (68,200 € per film in average).

Post-production grants known as “quality award” - giving prizes to quality films that receive no support at the planning stage and rewarding producers who take risks. The film (drama, animation or documentary) must have must get exploitation visa during the past year.

Selection: 40 films maximum per year.
Admissibility: production company or association or physical person can apply, if a broadcast settlement can be confirmed. In 2011, 35 films were supported under this scheme with a total amount of 400,000 € (11,430 € per film in average)

Corporate program - grants known as “program aid”, the purpose of which is to back the growth of the most experienced and dynamic companies in the sector. Allocated for a program of three projects maximum (dramas, documentaries or animations).

Selection: 40 films maximum per year.
Admissibility: producers must get at least 3 exploitation visas during the past two years, or five visas during the past three years. The commission include in its selection process experience and dynamism of short film production companies. Holding of another support of the CNC or the GREC is forbidden.
In 2011, 3,485 M€ were allocated to 46 films (75,760 € per film in average).

The aid for new production technology is aimed at film projects involving digital production technology in an innovative way.

Selection: a commission assesses applications 3 at 4 times a year.
Amount: subsidies are allocated according to the expenses linked to the use of digital technologies.
Admissibility: production companies registered by the CNC can apply. Part of the project where digital technologies are used must not have started at the time of the application. The main qualification criteria are:

- innovative use of digital technologies at any stage of production;
- relevant length of the sequences concerned compared to the total length of the project and to the budget
- technologies employed must suit the artistic approach.

In 2011, 17 films were supported with a total amount of 573,600 € allocated (33,740 € per film on average).

COSIP grants known as “TV broadcaster aid”, awards films that have received financial backing from a TV channel. The support is either selective (for new companies or for companies with a low volume of audiovisual production) or automatic (for producers that have already produces and broadcast several audiovisual works).

Supported project: any gender. Selective aid is allocated after examination of the project by a commission that considers quality, originality and financial feasibility of the project. Automatic aid is granted to producers who have already produced and screened their work on French Television channels. Subject to certain conditions, if their work is broadcast they obtain an “automatic account” that can be called upon in the form of “reinvestment subsidies” to fund future Television productions.

Admissibility: production companies applying must have to aim to produce audiovisual work. A call option of a broadcaster is obligatory.

In 2011, 61 films were granted under selective scheme with 928,000 € (15,210 € per film on average) and 13 films under automatic scheme with with 374,800 € (28,830 per film on average).

Moreover, works that have already received a selective support for creation from CNC may obtain extra subsidies from the fund “Images of the diversity” if they contribute to a better representation of the cultural diversity in France and to promote equal opportunity.

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www.cnc.fr

Research Group and cinematographic experiments

**Supported project:** only author and director can apply (with no contractual link with a cinematographic production company). Supported films are produced by the GREC.

Any gender and support (film or video) are accepted but if a film material is planned works should not exceed 15 minutes.

**Selection:** 3 colleges of 5 members gather three times a year to read 300 applications. All candidates should introduce only one project.

**Amount:** about 20 projects are supported each year. Contribution amounts to 18,500 € maximum. Aid may not be combined with other support from the CNC.

GREC
14 rue Alexandre Parodi
75010 Paris
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info@grec-info.com
www.grec-info.com

Cinema and Television Producers Society

**PROCIREP**

Cinema Commission - Aid to production

**Supported projects:** production program composed at least of 2 short films project (less than 60 minutes). Projects can be drama and/or animation and introduced by a production company. Specials and series are excluded for animation (see specific support to animation of the Television Commission).

**Amount:** between 2,500 € à 10,000 € per year. The Cinema Commission gathers 4 times a year.

**Admissibility:** production companies must be registered by the CNC and settled in France. They must be the delegate producer of the program and have some relevant experience. Co-productions are allowed. Around 40 companies are supported each year.

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www.procirep.fr
Organisations that manage collectively intellectual property rights also provide grants and/or aid in the framework of their missions towards creation:

ADAMI: www.adami.org  
SACD: www.sacd.fr  
SACEM: www.sacem.fr  

Regional founds

Region of
Provence-Alpes-Côte d’Azur - Short Films support

Support dedicated to production society presenting fiction of less than 60 minutes whose 80% of the shooting takes place in the region or, for society that works with authors or directors living in Provence-Alpes-Côte d’Azur. The amount of expenses eligible in the region represents 100% of the support allocated. Candidates can apply for 2 projects maximum at each session.

**Deadlines:** October 30th for February comity; March 30th for June Comity

**Selection process:** a reading comity, headed by a personality known by critic and audience and composed by national and regional professionals, review in a consultative way projects submitted. If the major part of the reading comity is favourable to the project, the Regional Culture Commission examines it. This commission decides if the project will be presented to the Permanent Commission that makes the final decision.

**Amount of support:** from 15,000 € to 30,000 €.

**Contact:** Solenn Guéguéniat (sguegueniat@regionpaca.fr)
Région Provence-Alpes-Côte d’Azur
Service Cinéma et Audiovisuel
27, place Jules Guesde
13481 Marseille CEDEX 20
Tel: +33 4 91 57 50 57 – poste 14 80
www.regionpaca.fr

Rhône-Alpes Region - Short Films support

All kind of short film project (less than 60 minutes length), in fiction or animation, shot on a professional material (roll film, digital or video) is eligible. Production subsidy is dedicated to production company set up or not in the region, or to an association set up in Rhone Alpes working regularly on audiovisual production.

Support of CNC and/or commitment of broadcaster are part of the project assessment.

**Selection process:** a technical comity composed by professionals meets 3 times per year. This comity gives its advice and some suggestions to a workshop composed by regional beloved who send their suggestion to the vice president in charge of cultural affairs. Projects that receive a positive notation are then presented to the Permanent Commission of the Regional council that makes the final decision.

**Amount:** maximum 30,000 € and no more than 30% of the global production budget. The beneficiaries will have to justify all expenditures made in the region. File has to be submitted before the 1 day of shooting.

In 2010, 15 short films were granted by Rhône-Alpes Region with 330,000 €.

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Région Rhône-Alpes
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www.rhonealpes.fr
Broadcasters

In 2011, 85 short films, mainly French ones, were broadcasted on France 2 (898 598 € budget for sales and presales), 140 films on France 3 - among which 46 international productions - (684 500 € budget), 210 films on Arte (sales, presales and co-productions) and 194 films on Canal+ (10 hours per week are dedicated to short films).

Every Year at the forum MEDIA area of the Clermont-Ferrand Short Film Market, the heads of major French channels and channels broadcasting short length films in the world present their procurement policies and pre-sales. These presentations are available on video: [www.clermont-filmfest.com](http://www.clermont-filmfest.com) (Short Film Market / Forum & Industry Focus).

Events

**European Short Pitch**

European Short Pitch is an initiative aimed at promoting European coproduction of short films, which combines a screenwriting workshop in residency, an on-line session, and a Co-production Forum bringing together scriptwriters and industry professionals from all over Europe. A call for projects from writers, directors and producers (aged between 18-35 years old) with international short film projects in development, is launched every year in September. This initiative is organised by Nisi Masa, a European network of associations dedicated to young European cinema. Based in France, the Network is present in 26 other European countries. [www.nisimasa.com](http://www.nisimasa.com)

**Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Market**

At the same time as the International Short Film Festival, Sauve Qui Peut le Court Métrage organizes a market that gathers international film and media promotion bodies, short film agencies, production and distribution companies and networks, associations and technical industries in 1000 sq. metres of exhibition space. Since 2009, the Market proposes EuroConnection: a european short film co-production forum.

The event is in February. The project submission deadline for EuroConnection and the film submission deadline are in October. [www.clermont-filmfest.com](http://www.clermont-filmfest.com)

42 other French local authorities manage cinematographic and audiovisual supports. In most cases those supports apply to production companies or association settled in region. It also applies to production companies not settled in region but registered by the CNC. In this last case, shooting must take place in region and/or its subject must relate the project to the region. The amount of the grant is generally related to the economic impact of the production for the region. Every year, Ciclic (the regional Agency for book, image and digital culture of the Centre) publishes a guide that lists all the support from French local authorities. This guide is free and available online: [www.ciclic.fr](http://www.ciclic.fr)
Côté Court – Pantin
Short film festival with a special experimental section.
www.cotecourt.org

Villeurbanne Short Film Festival
European Competition.
www.festcourt-villeurbanne.com

European Medium Length Film Meetings – Brive
Dedicated to films between 30 and 60 minutes, the event also welcomes Workshop Pitch for new projects.
www.festivalcinemabrive.fr

Festival Tous Courts – Aix en Provence
It also organizes a market since 1999.
www.festivaltouscourts.com

Off-Courts – Trouville
The event also hosts a market and is oriented towards relations between France and Quebec.
www.off-courts.com

Rencontres Henri Langlois – Poitiers
International festival of film schools.
www.rihl.org

Partie(s) de Campagne – Ouroux en Morvan
Rural short film festival in Bourgogne region.
www.sceniquanon.com

Rencontres Cinéma-Nature – Dompierre-sur-Besbre
Short and medium length film festival dedicated to Nature.
www.rencontres-cinema-nature.eu

Festival of Different and Experimental Cinemas – Paris
www.cjcinema.org

Ciné-Court Animé – Roanne
International animated short film festival launched in 2010
www.animationfestival.roanne.fr

Brest European Short Film Festival
The Festival offers a European Competition, a compilation of short films under 10 minutes long (Cocotte Minute), a French competition and several thematic programmes to discover the year’s production of short films. The event is in November. The film submission deadline is in July.
www.filmcourt.fr

Open-Air Short Film Festival – Grenoble
www.cinemathequede-grenoble.fr

Lille International Short Film Festival
www.festivalducourt-lille.com

Fenêtres sur Courts – Dijon
Open to European fiction and documentary short films.
www.fenetres-sur-courts.com

Doc en courts – Lyon
International short-documentary film event
www.docencourts.com

Clap 89, International Short Film Festival – Sens
www.clap89.com

SHORT FILMS SUPPORTS IN FRANCE

Brest European Short Film Festival
The Festival offers a European Competition, a compilation of short films under 10 minutes long (Cocotte Minute), a French competition and several thematic programmes to discover the year’s production of short films. The event is in November. The film submission deadline is in July.
www.filmcourt.fr

SUPPORTED BY MEDIA
Co-production agreements associate France with many European countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and United Kingdom. But also with Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Burkina-Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Egypt, Guinea, India, Israel, Ivory Coast, Lebanon, Mexico, Morocco, New Zealand, Senegal and South Korea.

France has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

Online professional directory: www.unifrance.org/annuaires www.le-court.com/lemonde
**GERMANY**

**Funding opportunities**

**Filmförderungsanstalt (FFA) / German Federal Film Board**

The FFA’s mandate includes enforcing measures to promote German cinema and to improve the structure of the German film industry, to support the national economic affairs of the film industry in Germany, to improve the foundations for the distribution and market-driven exploitation of the German cinema at home and its economic and cultural distribution abroad as well to work towards an alignment and coordination of the film support measures by the Federal Government and regional states.

**Kurzfilmförderung**

Financial support is granted to short films of no more than 15 minutes running time and non full-length children’s films. Financial support is also granted to films with a running time of more than 15 minutes and a maximum of 45 minutes if this is the first film of this length where the director has the sole directorial responsibility or if the film has been made at a film school.

Children’s film should have received a waiver and certificate according to the Youth Protection Law. All productions should have been allocated a certificate from the Film Assessment Board (FBW) in Wiesbaden, or have been awarded a prize specified in the FFG within two years of the waiver and certificate.

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**GENERAL OVERVIEW**

- **Population:** 82.2 million
- **Language:** German
- **Currency:** Euro
- **Number of screens:** 4,832 screens
- **Average admission per inhabitants:** 1.52
- **Full-length films:** 174 productions / 51 co-productions
- **Short-length films:** 2,300 – 2,500 productions p.a.
- **Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:** Filmförderungsanstalt (FFA)
In 2008, 18 short film projects were supported by the BKM with a total of 254,053 euros. The BKM also annually awards the German Short Film Award. The prize may be awarded for: short films up to 7 minutes, short films between 7 and 30 minutes, short documentaries up to 30 minutes, short animations and experimental films up to 30 minutes and a special prize for films between 30 and 78 minutes. These prizes are for films completed in the year of the award or the 2 years before that. Nominated films receive 15,000 Euros, the Gold Award 30,000 Euros and Special award 20,000 Euros. **Supported project:** short film project (maximum length 30 minutes) including fiction, documentaries, animation and experimental films. Films should be destined for theatrical distribution. Film projects can only be supported if it provides a significant contribution to German culture. **Amount:** maximal grant of 15,000 euros. **Admissibility:** the applicants must be the producer. In case of international coproduction, the German financial participation must represent at least 50% of the production budget or a greater amount than the involvement of any other community producers. **Contact:**

Jürgen Gansel
(Juergen.Gansel@bkm.bmi.bund.de)
Broadcasters

Short length films buyers in Germany are Arte, some digital Channels of the ARD and 3sat. They pay between 100 and 250 € per minute.

Arte

Each year, the Arte Deutschland (in cooperation with ARD or ZDF, the two main public German TV networks) buys around 30 short length films per year, 5 or 6 in presales and coproduces 3 or 4 short films. Films can come from all over the world but Arte Deutschland won’t buy French speaking shorts.

Contact: Catherine Colas (colas.c@zdf.de)
ZDF/ARTE
www.arte.tv

3sat

3sat is a public, advertising-free, TV network in Central Europe. The programming is in German and is aimed primarily at audiences in Germany, Austria and Switzerland (the major countries of the German-speaking world).

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ZDF/Filmredaktion
3sat – www.zdf.de
Events

Berlin International Short Film Festival

Established in 1982, the Berlin International Short Film Festival is the second oldest German short film festival (after Oberhausen). More than 5,000 films with a maximum running time of 30 minutes are submitted each year. Of those, approximately 400 films are selected and organised into different thematic programs. These include; international, German, animation, documentary and children’s films. ‘Focus On’ highlights productions from specific countries or regions. Interfilm Berlin organises the festival as well as interfilm Short Film Distribution. The event takes place in November. The film submission deadline is in June.

www.interfilm.de

FilmFest Dresden

Filmfest Dresden, founded in 1989, is one of the most important short film festivals in Germany with international media professionals and regional public attending it (16,500 visitors). Besides the international competition for fictional films, a dedicated competition for animated shorts has been created. Since 2002, the Animation Exchange Forum is targeted at young European filmmakers, screenwriters and producers and provides them with a platform for shared projects. The event takes place in April. The film submission deadline is in December.

www.filmfest-dresden.de

Hamburg International Short Film Festival

The original "No budget" competition, now stands with the International Competition and a special section for three minutes long films on predetermined theme. It also offers daily lectures, panels, discussions and workshops that deal with important issues concerning short film, such as funding and production, legal matters, as well as opportunities in the fields of presentation, sales and distribution. The event takes place in June. The film submission deadline is in April.

www.festival.shortfilm.com

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:

Germany had signed bilateral co-production agreements with the following countries: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Brasil, Canada, Croatia, France, Hungary, Luxembourg, New-Zealand, Macedonia, United Kingdom, Italy, India, Ireland, Israel, Luxembourg, Austria, Portugal, Poland, Russia, Sweden, Switzerland, Spain, Serbia-Montenegro and South Africa.

Germany has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

ONLINE PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY:

www.ag-kurzfilm.de
The International Short Film Festival Oberhausen
The oldest German short film festival, Oberhausen represents some 6000 films submitted on average per year, around 500 films shown in the festival programmes and over 1100 accredited industry professionals. 
www.kurzfilmtage.de

International Short Film Festival Detmold
www.fest-der-filme.de

Munich International Short Film Festival
www.muc-intl.de

20MinMax - Kurzfilmnacht (Ingolstadt)
www.20minmax.de

Flensburger Kurzfilmtage
Short film festival for german filmmakers with a Danish film section.
www.flensburger-kurzfilmtage.de

Bitfilm Festival in Hamburg & Online
Digital Film (3D & 2D animation short films, hybrid films & machinima)
www.bitfilm.de

KurzFilmFestival der Hochschule der Medien Stuttgart
www.kufife.de

Landshuter Kurzfilmfestival
www.dynamo-kurzfilm.de

Regensburger Short Film Week
www.kurzfilmwoche.de

Schwenninger Kurzfilmfestival
www.schwenninger-kurz-filmfestival.de

Shorts at Moonlight (Hofheim)
www.shortsatmoonlight.de

Thalmässinger Kurzfilmtage
www.kurzfilm-thalmaessing.de

Wendland Shorts (Lüchow-Dannenberg)
www.wendland-shorts.de

Kurzundschön in Cologne
Competition for young creatives (students and trainees in the field of audiovisual media).
www.kurzundschoen.khm.de

SehSüchte International Student Film Festival-Potsdam
www.sehsuechte.de

Berlinale (section for shorts)
Since 2006, the Berlin International Film Festival merged the short films programmes of Competition and Panorama in the Berlinale Shorts. For the competitions premieres are required.
www.berlinale.de

Exground filmfest (section for shorts)
Festival for avant-garde and underground productions in Wiesbaden.
www.exground.com

Braunschweig International Filmfestival (section for shorts)
The event focuses on young European cinema and music in films.
www.filmladen.de/dokfest

Kassel Dokfest (section for shorts)
The documentary feature film traditionally constitutes the center piece of the event but the festival also shows about 180 to 200 international and current short and mid-length films in program compilations.
www.filmladen.de/dokfest

There are no short film markets in Germany, only video libraries at festivals.
GREECE

Funding opportunities

Greek Film Centre (GFC)

Short Cuts (aid to production): Fiction and animation short films with a minimum running time of 40 minutes are accepted in the GFC funding program. The following have access to the Program: a) producers, b) directors-producers who are simultaneously the scriptwriters of the projects, c) directors who are also the scriptwriters of the project and d) scriptwriters who have secured -based on an agreement- a director for the film. As regards cases c) and d), the stipulation applies that in the event preapproval funding is given, a producer of the work must be secured. The directors of the projects must have directed at least one short film, even if it was a student film.

Following funding preapproval, participation of the project in a script workshop is required. The amount of funding per project is set at up to €25,000, depending on its production needs. The material medium used to produce the film will be either film (super 16mm or 35mm), or a digital medium format in line with professional technical specifications. Candidature files may be submitted throughout the year and their evaluation by the GFC is carried out every 3 months. Greek Film Centre 7 Dion. Areopagitou str. - 11742 Athens Tel: +30 210 3678500 info@gfc.gr www.gfc.gr

GENERAL OVERVIEW
Population: 10.8 million
Language: Greek
Currency: Euro
Number of theatres and screens:
Cinemas: 297 (Indoor: 161/Outdoor: 136)
Screens: 493 (Indoor: 357/Outdoor: 136)
Average admission per inhabitants: 1.00
Full-length films:
25 productions
Short-length films:
73 productions
Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:
-Department of Cinema and Audiovisual Works, Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs, Sport and Culture
-Greek Film Centre
SEE Cinema Network

SEE Cinema Network is an initiative of the GFC that aims at the artistic and cultural collaboration between the countries of southeastern Europe in the audiovisual field. The Network gathers 11 countries: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, FYR of Macedonia, Greece, Romania, Slovenia, Turkey and Serbia. The Network draws its funding from its member nation’s cinema organizations. In addition to its support for the development of feature film, the network provides funding for short fiction films.

Admissibility: it concerns the funding of short fiction films with a running time not exceeding 15 minutes. The projects may be exclusively of national productions but those structured as international co-productions are given priority. The Network is based in Greece. The General Assembly of national representatives, a three-member executive committee and its Executive Secretary govern it. The services of the SEE Cinema Network Secretariat are provided in English, French and Greek. About 16 projects are supported every year among which 8 projects of short films.

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Broadcaster

ERT

MICROFILM is a short production program created by the national television (ERT) that supports 16 projects every year.

Amounts: the first 12 projects selected in a second competition receive a 20,000 € aid to production. The other 4 short projects get a 10,000 € aid in kind.

Admissibility: projects are selected on the basis of a two round script competition. A project cannot get the joint support of GFC and ERT.

ERT - Microfilm  
Tel: +30 210 6092508  
microfilm@ert.gr  
www.ert.gr/microfilm

Events

Drama Short Film Festival
The Festival was established in 1978 and offers in September of each year, a Greek Short Film Festival and an International Short Film Festival. The film submission deadline is in April. Fiction, documentary and animation short films may participate (35 minutes maximum).

kinfest@dra.forthnet.gr  
www.dramafilmfestival.gr

Naoussa International Film Festival
Open to fiction and animation (25 min. maximum) and experimental (10 min. maximum). The event takes place in September and the films submission deadline is in April.

info@niff.gr  
www.naoussafilmfestival.gr

Athens International Short Film Festival – Psarokokalo
Submissions are open to short films of the following genres (fiction, animation, documentary, experimental) – 45 minutes maximum. The event is in June and the submission deadline is in March.

info@psarokokalo.gr  
www.psarokokalo.gr

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:
A co-production agreement associates Greece with France and Canada.
Greece has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

ONLINE PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY:
See “Film Guide” on www.mediadeskhellas.eu

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**GENERAL OVERVIEW**

- **Population:** 4.4 million
- **Languages:** Irish, English
- **Currency:** Euro
- **Number of screens:** 90 theatres / 442 screens (among which 112 digital screens)
- **Average admission per inhabitant:** 3.97
- **Full-length films:** 27 films produced in 2009
- **Short-length films:** 327 productions
- **Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:** Irish Film Board (IFB)

**Funding opportunities**

**Irish Film Board - Aid to production**

IFB has 5 schemes for the production of short films. Each of which is open for applications once a year and provides full funding for production. Films may be made in Irish or English. IFB funded 32 short films in 2007. The films should be originated and creatively lead by Irish talent.

- **Signatures** is a short film scheme for the making of live-action, fiction films that act as a proving-ground for Irish creative talents aspiring to write, direct and produce films for the cinema. The scheme aims to encourage strong, original storytelling, visual flair, and production values appropriate to the big screen.
  - **Supported projects:** live-actions, maximum 12 minutes.
  - **Budget per film:** maximum 75,000 € (up to 6 films are granted per year)
  - **Admissibility:** applications are invited from producer/director/writer teams (where the producer and director are not the same person).

- **Reality Bites** is a new scheme to enable the making of short documentaries. The scheme aims to encourage experimentation and the realisation of fresh approaches to non-fiction filmmaking. Projects may be journalistic or creative, observational or aesthetic, objective or personal, but they will all contain something new in their use of the documentary form. Short sketches of subjects being considered for longer-form treatment may also be appropriate to this scheme.
  - **Supported projects:** documentaries, maximum 12 minutes
  - **Budget per film:** maximum 15,000 € (around 3 films are granted per year)
  - **Admissibility:** applications are invited from producer/director teams with some relevant experience.

Films made under the **Short Shorts** scheme can be live-action or animated. They should ‘tell a story’ but need not use conventional narrative methods.

- **Supported projects:** live-actions or animations between 3 and 5 minutes length - projects submitted will be required to conform to a genre chosen each year by IFB (the genre chosen for 2010 is Ireland, I Love You)
Budget per film: maximum 15,000 euros  
Admissibility: applications are invited from both up-and-coming and experienced producer/director/writer teams.  

Gearrscannán is a new short film scheme to produce Irish language short films that will appeal to a general audience. The scheme aims to encourage fresh, new directorial voices willing to take risks, challenge audiences and introduce them to interesting themes which will move them. Whilst aiming to engage a diverse viewership, the films should also be able to be rated for an under 15 audience. Supported projects: applications must be original stories written in the Irish language. This scheme will be primarily distributed on-line.

Budget per film: maximum 10,000 euros (2 films granted per year)  
Admissibility: applications are invited from producer/director/writer teams (where the producer and director are not the same person). Short films already submitted to the IFB in English will not be eligible.  

Frameworks is an established scheme for the making of animated short films. Supported projects: animations, up to 6 minutes - Projects selected for funding will combine creative exploration with an ability to appeal to a broad audience  

Budget per film: maximum 50,000 euros (up to 6 films are granted per year)  
Admissibility: applications are invited from producer/director/writer teams (where the producer and director are not the same person).  

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Fax: +353 91 561405  
info@irishfilmboard.ie  
www.irishfilmboard.ie

Broadcaster / Regional funds

RTE - the Irish broadcaster - provides support for short film awards run by the Cork Film Centre and Galway Film Centre, also by the Dublin film resource centre, FilmBase.

Cork Film Centre / RTE Short Script Award  
Cork Film Centre  
Civic Trust House, 50 Pope’s Quay - Cork  
Tel: +353 21 421 5160  
info@corkfilmcentre.com  
www.corkfilmcentre.com

Awards are open to drama, animation and experimental works to be completed on film and/or broadcast quality video (DigiBeta). Submissions will ideally run between 5-15 minutes  
The scheme is open to emerging filmmakers with original scripts, which display strong cinematic visualisation and a fresh Irish perspective. The scheme, designed to promote filmmaking throughout the regions, will make an award of up to €10,000. Co-funding by other film, corporate or broadcasting bodies is not permitted under the Scheme.  
The applicant must be a paid-up member of the Cork Film Centre.  
Cork Film Centre  
Civic Trust House, 50 Pope’s Quay - Cork  
Tel: +353 21 421 5160  
info@corkfilmcentre.com  
www.corkfilmcentre.com
Co-production agreements associate Ireland with Spain in Europe and New Zealand, Canada and Australia. Ireland has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

Online professional directory:
www.iftn.ie/whoswho
www.companydatabase.irishfilmboard.ie/search

RTE/ Galway Film Centre Short Script Awards

The Galway Film Centre has a number of different awards designed to support and promote filmmakers with innovative ideas but limited financial resources.

Filmbase/RTE Short Film Awards scheme

Supported project: awards are open to drama, animation and experimental works to be completed on film or broadcast quality video. Scripts should be 8 - 15 minutes in duration. Admissibility: applications are initially assessed on the basis of anonymous scripts; this means that these awards provide an equal chance to all. In each round a shortlist of approximately ten projects is drawn up. Applicants are then asked to put together a production package and bring together a team for interview. Following the interviews up to 3 successful applicants are offered an award. 6 short films are granted per year with application deadlines falling on the last Friday in January and June.

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CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:

Co-production agreements associate Ireland with Spain in Europe and New Zealand, Canada and Australia.

Events

Corona Cork Film Festival
(section for shorts)

Established in 1956, Corona Cork Film Festival is one of Ireland’s premier cultural events. The programme is wide-ranging, an eclectic mix of big budget pictures, world cinema, innovative independent films, documentaries and short films from all over the globe. The festival is a major showcase for Irish film production.

www.corkfilmfest.org

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SHORT FILMS SUPPORTS IN IRELAND
ITALY

Funding opportunities

Ministry of cultural goods and activities
Direzione Generale per il Cinema

The Ministry promotes financing of short films if they have a national cultural interest. Candidates have to fill in a form which be examined by a commission (3 sessions per year). The selection depends on the scores reached by each projects. Points are allocated following different criteria: artistic quality of the subject and script (max 50 points); technical quality intended as the value of technical and technological factors of the film project (max 20 points); consistency of artistic and production elements (film project’s quality, completeness and viability) (max 30 points).

Ministero per i Beni e le Attività Culturali
Direzione Generale per il Cinema
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00184 Roma
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dg-c.urp@beniculturali.it
www.cinema.beniculturali.it

Regional Funds

Provincia di Milano - Regional Law 9
Supporting the cultural initiatives of organizations, associations and non-profit foundations.
Within the initiatives, Provincia di Milano could provide grants for short-length films. The budget will be established not before June 2013.

Provincia di Milano
Assessorato alla Cultura
V.le Vittorio Veneto, 2
20124 Milano
Tel: 02.7740.6305

Fondazione Apulia Film Commission & Fund
Italian producers, working in the region of Apulia are eligible.
Award criteria: Artistic quality of the subject and script related to the different film genres and to the involvement of artistic and creative talents from Puglia (max 60 points)
Technical quality, intended as the value of technical and technological factors of
the film project, artistic elements consistent with the production/financial components and participation of professionals from Puglia in the work development (max 40 points)

Projects previously beneficiaries of Apulia Development Film Fund will enjoy a rewarding equal to 10 points on the final score.

Cineporti di Puglia – Bari Padiglione 180, Fiera del Levante Lungomare Starita, 1 - 70132 Bari Tel: +39 080 975 29 00 email@apuliafilmcommission.it

Cineporti di Puglia – Lecce Via Vecchia Frigole, 36 - 73100 Lecce Tel: +39 0832 090 446 cineportolecce@apuliafilmcommission.it

www.apuliafilmcommission.it

Trentino Film Commission
Film and TV Productions (included short films): max of 200000 €
Documentaries: max of 40000 €
Local Productions: max of 60000 €
Award criteria: Subject (10 %) ; Credits of production, author, director, performers (20 %) ; Number of weeks provided for preparation, shootings, post-production and direct economic impact on the province (20 %) ; Ability to enhance and promote the geographical, environmental, cultural, historical and tourism heritage of Trento district (30 %); Distribution agreements resulting from contracts or other documents (20 %)
Financing will be grant to projects which score at least 70 points/100.

The grant must not exceed 50 % of total costs.

Trentino Film Commission
c/o Format – Via Zanella 10/2 – 38122 Trento
Tel: +39 461 492667 filmcommission@provincia.tn.it
www.provincia.tn.it

Toscana Film Commission – Incoming Fund
Grant for costs incurred about services used in Toscana territory (Accommodation, Food services, baskets, catering, Offices rental for production necessities, Car and transport rental Equipment rental for costumes, set and technical means, Post-production services)
Max of € 25000 by short films
Minimum score for grants: 50 points
Award criteria: Shootings in Toscana (6 points per week max. 30 points), artistic professionals residing in Toscana (max. 10 points), technical workers and service companies (except intern) from Toscana (max. 30 points), artistic quality or subject which promotes the historical and cultural identity of Toscana (max. 20 points), co-productions and/or executive productions from Toscana (max. 10 points).

Toscana Film Commission Via San Gallo, 25
50129 Firenze
Tel: +39 055 2719035 staff@toscanafilmcommission.it
www.toscanafilmcommission.it

Regione Veneto - Fondo Regionale per il Cinema e l’Audiovisivo
Supporting film and audiovisual productions in Veneto territory and the development of film and audiovisual projects of producers with legal head office in Veneto.
Grants for short films are reduced.
Subsidies are calculated according to the duration of shooting in the region: from 5000 € to 75000 € max. for a period for 5 to 30 working days of shooting.
Award criteria: company’s curriculum (10 points), Author’s curriculum (15 points), quality and novelty of the project (30 points), ability to enhance and promote the geographical, environmental, cultural, historical and tourism heritage of Veneto district (20 points), originality of the project (25 points).

Regione Veneto Direzione Attività Culturali e Spettacolo Ufficio Cinema e Film Commission Indirizzo: Cannaregio, 168 30121 Venezia Tel: +39 41 2792604 filmcommission@regione.veneto.it
www.regione.veneto.it

Regione Lazio – Direzione regionale cultura, arte e sport
Promozione e diffusione della cultura, delle arti visive e della identità regionale
Dirigente Cristina Crisari Via del Serafico, 121 - 00142
Tel: +39 651688574 www.culturalazio.it

Regione Lazio – Fondo Regionale per il Cinema e l’Audiovisivo
Global budget: 15 million € (2/3 for film productions ; 1/3 for audiovisual productions). Short films are eligible.
Award criteria: contents (60 points), creative talents (20 points), production - shootings, digital effects, special effects, sound editing... (20 points)
Broadcaster

Mediaset

Mediaset is an Italian-based mass media company which is the largest commercial broadcaster in the country. Pay TV Mediaset Premium buys some short films.

Buyer: Ludovica Fonda
(Ludovica.Fonda@mediaset.it)
www.mediaset.it

Events

Festival dei corti Cinestesia 2013 - Legnano (Milano)
www.cineforumimpensottilegnano.it

Festival del corto/ Mompeo in Corto - Mompeo (Rieti)
www.festivaldelcorto.org/ita/mompeo.html

Circuito Off - San Servolo (Venezia)
www.circuitooff.com

Concerto Film Festival - Ponte newre (Piacenza)
www.concerto.com

Corti Sonici - Varese
www.cortisonici.org

Cortinametraggio – Cortina (Belluno)
www.cortinametraggio.it

Cortoimola Festival - Imola (Bologna)
www.cortoimolafestival.it

Corto in Bra – Bra (Cuneo)
www.cortoinbra.it

Festival Alto Vicentino – Santorso (Vicenza)
www.festivalalтовicentino.org

Festival Internazionale Ciak Junior – Cortina d’Ampezzo (Treviso)
www.alcuni.it

Festival Pontino del Cortometraggio – Latina
www.fpdc.it

Filmcaravan – Imperia
www.filmcaravan.org

Maremetraggio – Trieste
www.maremetraggio.com

NociCortinfestival – Noci (Bari)
www.nocicinema.it

Novara Cine Festival – Novara –
www.novaracinefestival.it

Pentedattilo Film Festival – Pentedattilo (Reggio Calabria)
www.pentedattilofilmfestival.net

Sardinia Film Festival – Sassari
www.sardiniafilmfestival.it

Schermi Irregolari – Bagno a Ripoli (Firenze)
www.archetipoac.it/cinema

SediciCorto – Forlì
www.sediciCorto.it

SHORTini International Short Film Festival – Augusta (Siracusa)
www.shortinifilmfestival.com

Vicoli Corti – Massafra (Taranto)
www.associazioneilserraglio.it

Young About International Film Festival – Bologna
www.youngabout.com

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:

European countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden.

Italy has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

ONLINE PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY:
www.cnc-italia.it

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Funding opportunities

Lithuanian Film Centre, established in May, 2012,

Established in 2012, the Lithuanian Film Centre is a state institution under the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania. The Centre operates under the Film Law (amended in 2011). Projects selection and evaluation work is done by Film Board, which functions as an advisory body under the Ministry of Culture helps to implement the National Film Support Program.

Lithuanian organizations working in film sector can apply for grants for preproduction and production of films if they comply with cultural criteria (subject linked to Lithuanian or European culture, history, religion, mythology, social life…)

State funding shall not exceed 50 % of the film production budget and 75 % of the overall budget of a low-budget or an experimental film. Co-productions shall be awarded a State funding priority but legal persons may spend up to 20 % of State funding allocated for film production outside the Republic of Lithuania.

The maximum possible amount allocated for a film project shall be the following:
For production of a short feature film – up to 700 000 Lt;
For production of a documentary short – up to 300 000 Lt;
For production of an animation short – up to 270 000 Lt.

Funding priorities are set in the following order:
1. a project for film co-production by Lithuanian and foreign partners;
2. a project that has received funding from the programmes and funds of the European Union or European Council where the Republic of Lithuania is a member that support production and distribution of cinematographic and audiovisual works;
3. a project that has received funding from other international programmes and funds;
4. a project for film co-production of several Lithuanian partners;
5. a film production where at least 80% of the project budget will be spent in Lithuania.

Lithuanian Film Centre under the Ministry of Culture Budget institution
Z. Sierakausko st. 15
Vilnius 03105
Tel: +370 5 213 05 47
info@lkc.lt
www.lkc.lt
Broadcasters/Buyers

Lithuanian National Radio and Television (LRT) is the national public broadcasting company of Lithuania based in Vilnius. The company broadcasts 2 national public television channels LRT televizija and LRT Kultūra, and a satellite TV channel LRT Lituwanica.

GALA Interactive Television

Gala TV is an IPTV service provided by Lithuania’s largest Telco TEO.

Distributors
Lithuanian Short Film Agency “Lithuanian Shorts”: www.lithuaniashorts.com

Events

Vilnius Film Shorts
Vilnius Film Shorts, international short film festival, is the biggest short film festival in the Baltic countries, presenting the newest short films of the past few years to the viewers in Lithuania. It also offers various trainings, seminars, concerts… The event is in September and the submission deadline is in May.
www.filmshorts.lt

Vilnius International Film Festival “Kino pavasaris” (section for shorts)
www.kinopavasaris.lt

European Film Forum “Scanorama” (section for shorts)
www.scanorama.lt

International Kaunas Film Festival (section for shorts)
www.kinofestivalis.lt

International Women Film Festival “Šeršeliafam” (section for shorts)
www.serseliafam.com

International Animation Film Festival “Tindirindis” (section for shorts)
www.tindirindis.lt

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:

Lithuania has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

PRODUCTION COMPANIES SPECIALIZED IN SHORT FILM PRODUCTION:
Monoklis, Just a Moment, Kulturinių projekty centras CUMA, Ciobreliai, Uljana Kim Studio, Tremora, Kinema, Artbox, Fralita, Dansu production house
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NETHERLANDS

Funding opportunities

The Netherlands Film Fund

The Netherlands Film Fund’s operations cover participation in development, production, distribution and marketing. It is also responsible for promoting a good climate for the national film industry.

Every year, 10 short films (with a length of 10 minutes) are made in the Netherlands within the “KORT!” Project which is supported by the Netherlands Film Fund, the Dutch Media Fund (Mediafonds) and the Dutch Public Broadcaster NTR. The 10 KORT! films have their premiere at the Netherlands Film Festival in Utrecht, receive a Television broadcasting and have their own website: www.kortefilmonline.nps.nl/page/content/onenightstand where the films are screened digitally. Starting film makers, who graduated at the Netherlands Film and Television Academy, are able to make an appointment at the Film Fund’s “afwerking” (a special quick counter), where they can apply for financial support for short fiction and short documentary films.

The Fund has three programmes with a specific profile for development and production of films: New Screen NL for new talent, innovation and cinematic experiment from new and experienced film makers in all genres and for short (animation) films; Screen NL for feature films, feature length animation films, feature length documentaries and international co-productions from experienced film makers working on their third or subsequent film; and Screen NL Plus for cinema films targeting a large audience, through a matching scheme.

Nederlands Filmfonds
Pijnackerstraat 5
1072 JS Amsterdam
Tel: +31 20 570 76 76
info@filmfonds.nl
www.filmfonds.nl
Broadcaster

**ntr:**

NTR is the independent Dutch public service broadcaster specialising in information, education and culture. NTR broadcast the two programmes dedicated to short film: « Kort! » and « One night stand ».

Contact: Marina Blok (marina.blok@ntr.nl)

NTR
P.O. Box 29000
1202 MA Hilversum
The Netherlands
Tel: +31 35 677 9333
www.ntr.nl

Events

**Go Short International Short Film Festival**

Go Short is the Dutch festival for short film. For five days, over 300 short films are screened in and around LUX in Nijmegen. The International Competition consists of shorts from all genres that have been made in Europe. The films are eligible for the Go Short award for the best short in four different categories: animation, documentary, fiction and art film. Since 2011, the event also organizes the « Go Short Industry Day » for professionals. The event takes place in March. The film submission deadline is in December.

www.goshort.nl

**Imagine Film Festival: European Fantastic Shorts**

Imagine is a member of the EFFFF (European Fantastic Film Festivals Federation), it promotes European fantastic cinema through the Méliès competition for both feature length and short films.

www.imaginefilmfestival.nl

**International Film Festival Rotterdam**

Next to the festival’s Hivos Tiger Awards Competition that is dedicated to the upcoming talents, the short films have their own international competition: the Tiger Awards Competition for Short Films.

www.filmfestivalrotterdam.com

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:

The Netherlands signed co-production agreements with the following countries: Belgium, and France and has a memory of understanding with South Africa and is aiming to expand this to several more countries. The Netherlands have ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages. For more information:

www.filmfonds.nl/nieuws/extra-pagina-s/english

www.filmfonds.nl/international-affairs/coproducing-internationally

**Online professional directory:**

www.international.eyefilm.nl

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Norway

Funding opportunities

Norsk Film Institutt

The Norwegian Film Institute is the sole executive body for Norwegian film and audiovisual policy, operating under the auspices of the Royal Norwegian Ministry for Cultural Affairs. It supports, provides access to and promotes Norwegian short films, documentaries and feature films. Total funding amounts to approximately 350 million NOK per year (around 40 million €), covering: development support (screenplays, projects and video games), production support (feature films, documentaries, short films, television series), seminars, workshops and training for professionals.

Concerning short films, funding is available for production support for short films and television documentaries, and for television series, including support € project development. For 2010 a minimum of 22 million NOK (around 2,5 million €) will be allocated to short film production. The Norwegian Film Institute supports about 20-30 short films each year.

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Norsk Film Institutt
Dronningens gt. 16,
Postboks 752, Sentrum
0106 Oslo
Tel: +47 22 47 46 00
www.nfi.no

There are 5 regional film centers in Norway, funding short and documentary films. The funds allocated to short and documentary film production come partly from the government and partly from the region. In addition “Fond for lyd og bilde” grants support to short films.

GENERAL OVERVIEW

Population: 4.8 million
Language: Norwegian
Currency: Norwegian Krone (NOK) 1 Euro = 7,7260 NOK*
Number screens: 422 screens (58 digital screens)
Average admission per inhabitants: 2.6
Full-length production: 27 productions
Short-length production: Approximately 300 (including student productions)
Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:
Norsk Film Institutt (Norwegian Film Institute)

* European Central Bank, 20th March 2013
North Norwegian Film Center
Contact: Jesper Bergom-Larsson
(jesper@nnfs.no)
Nordnorsk filmsenter as
P.O.Box 94
9751 Honningsvåg
Tel. +47 78 47 64 00
info@nnfs.no
www.nnfs.no

West Norwegian Film Center
Contact: Irmelin Nordahl
(irmelin.nordahl@vestnorskfilm.no)
Vestnorsk filmsenter
Georgernes Verft 12
5011 Bergen
Tel. +47 55 56 09 05
post@vestnorskfilm.no
www.vestnorskfilm.no

Mid Norwegian Film Center
Contact: Kalle Løchen
(kalle@midtnorskfilm.no)
Midtnorsk filmsenter
P.O. Box 964 Sentrum
7410 Trondheim
Tel. +47 73 51 55 50
post@midtnorskfilm.no
www.midtnorskfilm.no

South Norwegian Film Center
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(kirsten@sornorskfilm.no)
Sørnorsk filmsenter
P.O. Box 112
4662 Kristiansand
Tel +47 38 02 68 80
post@sornorskfilm.no
www.sornorskfilm.no

East Norwegian Film Center
Contact: Arngrim Ytterhus
(arngrim@ostnorskfilm.no)
Østnorsk filmsenter
Fabrikken - Løkkegt. 9
2615 Lillehammer
www.ostnorskfilm.no
post@ostnorskfilm.no

Filmkraft Rogaland AS
Rogaland Fylkeskommune (PB 130)
4001 Stavanger
Tel: + 47 51 51 69 72
post@filmkraft.no
www.filmkraft.no

Fondet for lyd og bilde
is also a state fund which
among other artistic pur-
poses, aims at funding
short films.
Fondet for lyd og bilde
Postboks 984 Sentrum
0104 Oslo
Tel: +47 22 47 83 30
post@kulturrad.no
www.fondforlydogbilde.no

Event
The Norwegian Short
film festival - Grimstad
In addition to the award
programmes (Norwe-
gian and International
competitions), the
festival presents retrospectives,
international documentaries,
newer film and video experi-
ments and film occupational
seminars and debates. The event is
in June and the film submission
deadline is in March.
kortfilm@kortfilmfestivalen.no
www.kortfilmfestivalen.no

Broadcasters
NRK NRK, is the Norwegian
government-owned radio and
television public broadcasting
company, and the largest me-
dia organisation in Norway.
NRK mainly consists of 3 TV
channels and 3 radio chan-
nels.

Buyer: Aira Planting
(aira.planting@nrk.no)
www.nrk.no

TV 2 is the largest commer-
cial television station in Norway.
Buyer: Christopher Haug
(christopher.haug@tv2.no)
www.tv2.no

CO-PRODUCTION
AGREEMENTS:
Norway has ratified the
Council of Europe Conven-
tion on Co-production and is
a member of Eurimages.

Online professional
directory:
www.produsentforeningen.no
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POLAND

Funding opportunities

Institutional film funding in Poland comes mainly from the Polish Film Institute whose 2013 budget is over 32 million € (22,3 mln € for film production) but does not include a specific short film funding programme. The Institute does not provide direct funding for short films, however, it supports film schools and training programmes aimed to produce short fiction, documentary and animated films.

Polish Film Institute
Krakowskie Przedmiecie 21/23 – 00-071 Warsaw
Tel.: +48 22 42 10 518
pisf@pisf.pl
www.pisf.pl

Polish Filmmakers Association
Andrzej Munk Studio, ‘The Young and Film’, has been operating within the structures of the Polish Film Makers Association since 2008. The Studio is an exclusive producer of film debuts, which is done in the cooperation with the Polish Film Institute, the Ministry of Culture and public television. Andrzej Munk Studio organises the following short film competitions for young filmmakers: 30 Minutes (drama), First Documentary (documentary) and Young Animation (animation).

Polish Filmmakers Association
Krakowskie Przedmiescie 7 00-068 Warsaw
Tel.: +48 22 845 51 71
studiomunka@sfp.org.pl
www.sfp.org.pl

Regional film funds

Poland has a well-developed network of regional film funds, covering almost the entire area of the country with its activity. Currently, there are 11 funds, but authorities in regions not yet covered by the activity of the funds have announced their intent to start 3 new funds in the near future. Typically, Polish regional film funds search for film projects by announcing competitions. The basic condition for participating in a competition is a connection of the project with the given city or region by means of the topic of the film, its setting, or participation of local people and companies in its production. Projects using locations and facilities within the city or region receive best valuation results. Short films are eligible but in competition with full length film. Contests run by regional film funds are usually announced once a year. Evaluation of projects and allocation of support takes from 30 to 90 days. Foreign producers are also invited to participate in the competition, but preferably as partners of Polish producers. All paperwork required to participate in a contest must be filled out in Polish. The annual budgets of Regional Film Funds varies between 120 000 – 400 000 € (about 2 300 000 € in total).

GENERAL OVERVIEW

Population: 38,2 million
Language: Polish
Currency: Zloty (PLN)
1 Euro = 4,09 PLN*

Number of theatres and screens: 174 theaters / 871 screens (among which 757 digital screens)
Average admission per inhabitants: 1,03

Full-length films:
35 productions / 14 co-productions in 2012

Short-length films:
~300 productions (including school films)

Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:
Polski Instytut Sztuki Filmowej (Polish Film Institute)

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**Broadcasters**

**TVP Kultura**

TVP Kultura is the first TV theme channel to be run by the Polish public broadcaster TVP. It was launched in 2005 and is dedicated to arts and culture. They buy only a very few short animation, very rare short docs.

Licence price: 500 – 1000 Euro (for 30 min. film).

**Canal+ Cyfrowy**

CANAL+ Cyfrowy S.A. is an operator of a digital platform CYFRA+ and a broadcaster of television premium channels (CANAL+, CANAL+ FILM, CANAL+ SPORT…) among Ale Kino+ which buy about 80 minutes (together) of short films (animation, fiction, docs) monthly.

**Contact:**

Alicja Gancarz

Tel: +48 22 328 28 95

www.canalpluscyfrowy.pl
Events

**Etiuda&Anima International Film Festival**

The International Film Festival Etiuda&Anima, organized in Kraków since 1994, is the oldest film festival in Poland which juxtaposes the achievements of students of film and art schools from all over the world, as well as works of fine-art animation films creators: professionals, students, as well as independent producers.

The event takes place in November. The film submission deadline is in September.

[www.etiudaandanima.com](http://www.etiudaandanima.com)

**Krakow Film Festival** (section for shorts documentary)

*The festival also has their own film market*

**T-Mobile New Horizons International Film Festival** (section for shorts)
[www.nowehoryzonty.pl](http://www.nowehoryzonty.pl)

**TOFFI FEST International Film Festival** (section for documentary, animation and fiction shorts)
[www.toffifest.pl](http://www.toffifest.pl)

**Plus Camerimage International Film Festival of the Art of Cinematography** (section for shorts documentaries, videoclips)
[www.camerimage.pl](http://www.camerimage.pl)

**AleKino! International Young Audience Film Festival** (section for animated shorts and fiction)
[www.alekino.com](http://www.alekino.com)

**Off Plus Camera**

International Festival of Independent Cinema (section for shorts)
[www.offpluscamera.com](http://www.offpluscamera.com)

**Co-production bilateral agreements link Poland to Canada and France.**

Poland has also ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

**Online professional directory:**

[www.pisf.pl](http://www.pisf.pl)
[www.audiowizualni.pl](http://www.audiowizualni.pl)
[www.mediadeskpoland.eu](http://www.mediadeskpoland.eu)
[www.sfp.org.pl](http://www.sfp.org.pl)
[www.polishdocs.pl](http://www.polishdocs.pl)
[www.polishshorts.pl](http://www.polishshorts.pl)
[www.filmneweurope.com](http://www.filmneweurope.com)
PORTUGAL

Funding opportunities

Instituto do Cinema e do Audiovisual (ICA)

Public body under the political authority of the Ministry of Culture, ICA is the national funding agency for film. The Institute is also involved in helping defining the public policy and measures in the film and audiovisual field. It represents the Ministry in other funds and instruments in relation with film, as well as in international organisations and bodies, and collects and organises statistical information on the film sector.

ICA implements 2 support programmes for short animation & fiction films. New rules are in force since 2007. Producers or directors may apply; however, financial support contracts for supported projects have to be signed by a producer. Selection panels are formed by 4 independent members and chaired by the Director or a staff member of the Institute (the Chair has no voting rights).

Support program for the production of short Fiction films:
Budget available (no changes since 2007): 500 000,00 €.
In 2012, 12 short films have been supported under this scheme, with an average amount of support of ca. 42 000 € (maximum amount possible is 45 000,00 €).

Support program for the production of short Animation films:
Budget available (no changes since 2007): 600 000,00 €.
In 2012, 6 animation short films have been supported under this scheme, with an average amount of support of 100 000,00 € (maximum possible is 125 000,00 €).

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PORTUGAL has signed bilateral co-production agreements with several European countries (France, Germany, Italy, Spain), Brazil and African Portuguese-speaking countries (Angola, Cape Verde, Mozambique, São Tomé e Príncipe).

Portugal has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages. Portugal also participates in Ibermedia (Iberian-American Cooperation framework).

**Event**

Curtas Vila do Conde

This International Short Film Festival taking place in July is open to new short films, within the duration limit of 60 minutes. An international competition screens fiction, documentary and animation. Distinct sections are dedicated to experimental shorts and films for kids. The submission deadline is in April.

**CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:**

Portugal has signed bilateral co-production agreements with several European countries (France, Germany, Italy, Spain), Brazil and African Portuguese-speaking countries (Angola, Cape Verde, Mozambique, São Tomé e Príncipe).

**Online professional directory:**

www.aipcinema.com

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**Broadcast**

Rádio e Televisão de Portugal (RTP)

RTP is Portugal’s public service broadcasting organization. It operates 4 terrestrial television channels and 3 national radio channels, as well as several satellite and cable offerings. RTP2 buys between 150 and 200 short films every year for its weekly programme « Onda Curta ».

www.rtp.pt
Funding opportunities

National Film Center (CNC) Cinema fund

Supported projects: features, documentary, shorts and animated films (any length).
Selection: CNC organises funding sessions twice a year. 3 sections are dedicated for fiction works (both features and shorts), then for documentaries and animated films. A three-member commission examines applications from the documentary & animation section, and a five-member section the applications from the fiction section.

Amounts: the CNC provides reimbursable loans limited to 80% of the production budget for short films (co-productions may be financed with no more than 65% from the Romanian contribution part to the project) and 100% for the production budget for long films (co-productions may be financed with no more than 65% from the Romanian contribution part to the project).

Admissibility: production company registered at the Romanian CNC. The applicants must also provide a minimum of 6% of the total production budget him/herself (in cash, services or in kind). The producer can spend 20% of the film budget in the territory of state member of the EU or of the Central European Free Trade Agreement. International co-production are eligible if the coproducers provide at least 10% (for multilateral co-productions) or 20% (for bilateral co-productions) of financial participation. The Romanian co-producers must co-ownership rights over the film, and exploitation rights.

32 short films, documentary and animation films were supported by the CNC in 2009. The budget of Cinema Fund was approximately 10.5 million euros in 2009. A minimum quota of 5% is allocated to short-length films and 15% to documentaries and animation.

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cnc@cncinema.ro
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GENERAL OVERVIEW

Population: 21.8 million
Language: Romanian
Currency: Leu (RON)
1 Euro = 4.4060 RON

Number of screens: 241 screens (110 digital)
Average admission per inhabitants: 0.4

Full-length films: 12 in 2012
Short-length films: 32 productions in 2009

Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema: National Film Center (CNC)

* European Central Bank, 20th March 2013
SEE Cinema Network

SEE Cinema Network is an initiative of the Greek Film Centre that aims at maintaining and holding the intellectual, artistic and cultural identity of south-eastern Europe. The association gathers 11 countries - Albania, Bosnia Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Macedonia, Greece, Romania, Slovenia, Turkey and Serbia & Montenegro. It provides funding for development of features and for production of short films.

**Supported project:** short fiction film productions with a running time not exceeding 15 minutes.

**Amounts:** a non-refundable loan of 10,000 € per films.

**Admissibility:** projects may be exclusively national productions of a SEE Cinema Network member-state but those structured as international co-productions between two or more member-states will be given priority. The minority participation of third co-producers from countries outside the Network is not excluded. The producer, director and scriptwriter must come from the Network’s member-states. Shooting of the products submitted as candidates for funding may not begin earlier than the date of evaluation of the projects.

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**Broadcaster**

**Romanian National Television (TVR)**

According to the new Law on Cinema, TVR contributes 15 % of its advertising annual income to the Cinema Fund of the CNC, and may also contribute directly to co-finance film projects.

**Televiziunea Româna**
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www.tvr.ro

**Event**

**Anima’est - Bucarest**

International Animation Film Festival, established in 2006, Anima’est offers a short film competition and a special section of shorts for children called Mini-mest.

The event is in October and the film submission deadline is in June.

www.animest.ro

**Supported by MEDIA**

**CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:**

Romania has signed treaties with France, Canada. An upcoming treaty with Israel will be signed soon.

Romania has also ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

**Online professional directory:**

www.romfilmpromotion.ro/infos.php
GENERAL OVERVIEW

**Population:** 47.26 million  
**Languages:** Spanish, Catalan, Basque, Galician and Occitan  
**Currency:** Euro  

**Number of theatres and screens:** 876 theatres / 4044 screens (2011)  
**Average admission per inhabitants:** 2.08  

**Full-length films:** 198 productions in 2011. (120 fiction, 69 documentary, 8 animation, 1 documentary/animation)  

**Short-length films:** 248 productions in 2011 (171 fiction, 54 documentary, 22 animation, 1 fiction/documentary/animation)  

**Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:** Institute of Cinematography and Audiovisual Arts (ICAA)

**INSTITUTE OF CINEMATOGRAPHY AND AUDIOVISUAL ARTS (ICAA)**

ICAA is the public body responsible for regulating and financing the cinematographic activity in Spain. This support covers the whole chain of the making of the film from pre-production to promotion and exhibition, short-films to long-feature films, fiction, animation, creative documentaries and films for television.

**Support for short films:**
These can be 2 types: subsidies for short film projects or for short films which have already been produced. These subsidies are crucial to the support of the short film in Spain, not only helping young people benefit around the country, but also constituting projects with a specific value which serve as a reserve for the whole audiovisual industry.

**Admissibility:** Funding can be applied for by production companies previously registered as such in Section One of the Register of Film Companies and which are classified as independent in accordance with that set forth in Article 4.n of Law 55/2007, of 28 December, on cinema.

**Instituto de la Cinematografía y de las Artes Audiovisuales**  
Subdirección General de Fomento  
Plaza del Rey, 1 - 2ª planta  
28004 Madrid  
www.mcu.es/cine

**Amount:** In the most recent calls for proposals, the maximum amount of funding for project costs was 30,500,00 € per film awarded, and under no circumstance could it be greater than the investment made by the producer or more than 50 % of the film’s budget. The maximum amount of funding for short films produced could not be more than 75 % of producer investment. The total sum of funding for project costs and film produced could not be more than the cost of the film, and in any case there was a maximum limit of 70,000,00 €.

**Funding opportunities**
ICO is a bank legally constituted as a public company, attached to the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Competitiveness through the State Secretariat for Economy and Enterprise Support.

**ICO-CRTVE Cine Producción support:** newly produced audiovisual works (films and short films, made-for-TV movies, documentaries on decidedly cultural themes and animated series) for which the right of communication to the public has been assigned by the producers and purchased by an audiovisual communication service provider are eligible for funding.

**Amount:** In regard to the maximum amount of funding, up to 100% of the cost of purchasing the right of communication to the public for the audiovisual work by the audiovisual communication service provider may be funded, excluding VAT.

**Admissibility:** This pathway is aimed at the self-employed and independent Spanish companies.

**Instituto de Crédito Oficial**
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**Regional Funds**

**Agencia Andaluza de Instituciones Culturales. Consejería de Cultura**
Ayuda a producción de cortometrajes provides subsidies for production of short films (Financial support).

**Supported project:** 6 (±)

**Amount:** Up to 20,000 € (fiction) up to 30,000 € (animation).

**Admissibility:** Individuals or legal entities.

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**Avalis de Catalunya, S.G.R.**
Avalis de Catalunya is a non-profit, mutual organisation, managed by Banco de España, the mission of which is to give better access to credit by acting as guarantor for SMEs and the self-employed located in Catalonia.

**Description:** Guarantees for loans granted by financial institutions or the ICF to Catalan small and medium-sized companies working in audiovisual production, in order to finance the production of audiovisual works.

Up to 1,200,000€/company. Up to 60 months.
Avalis de Catalunya has signed a partnership agreement with the Catalan Institute for the Cultural Companies which may allow the economic terms of the guarantees to be improved for audiovisual production companies who are members of PAC, BA or APIC.

**Basque Government**
Support for production of short films

**Supported project:** 8 projects selected from 40 submitted

**Amount:** A maximum of 120,000 € - A maximum of 20,000 € per project

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Catalan Films & TV (CF&TV)

CF&TV seeks to promote the audiovisual industry and its contents worldwide through showcasing initiatives aimed at increasing national and international presence, acknowledgement and demand for Catalan products and partners.

One of these is the Short-Cat program for the promotion of Catalan short films, which presents a collection of titles that represent the cream of the crop from film schools and independent producers. CF&TV also produces an annual catalogue, a comprehensive guide to the extensive repertoire of the Catalan productions encompassing features, documentaries, TV and other formats, including a category dedicated to short films.

In order to promote Catalan short films, CF&TV coordinates the attendance of Catalan producers or directors at the main markets as well dispatching short film screeners for festival submissions.

Instituto Valenciano del Audiovisual (IVAC)

Valencia Community support of short films.

Description: 60% of the total amount of the project selected.

Amount: Depending on final number of selected projects.

Admissibility: Fiction, documentary and animation.

IVAC

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Institut Català de les Empreses Culturals (ICEC)

Support grant to the production of short-length films

Supported project: Short-length films (selective support scheme)

Amount: 6000 € per short-length film in original Catalan version or Occitan. 4000 € per short-length film in other languages. In both cases, the amount of the subsidy must not exceed 50 % of the project budget.

Admissibility:
- The applicants must be companies established in Catalonia and entered in the Register of Audiovisual Companies of Catalonia or companies based in a member state of the European Union or the European Economic Area that have a permanent address in Catalonia.
- At least 75 % of the Catalan investment has to be spent in Catalonia.
- The short-length film should be funded by more than 50 % of companies established in Catalonia or other European companies with a permanent establishment in Catalonia.
- The applicants must take charge of the executive production.

Projects are evaluated according the following criteria:
- Cultural, artistic, technical quality.
- Relevance and originality of the theme and the main idea.
- Cost of production in relation to the investment of the producer.
- Original Catalan version (or Occitan).
Kimuak
Selection Of Basque Short Films: Kimuak is a short film distribution and promotion program organised by the Basque Government’s Department of Culture through Etxepare Basque Institute, in collaboration with the Basque Film Archive. Created in 1998, Kimuak gathers an annual selection of works directed or produced in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country.

Once per year an independent jury makes a selection among the short films entered by the authors, which are collected in a catalogue published on the label Kimuak. The catalogue is sent to the major festivals and audiovisual events, so it is accessible to an international audience.

Amount: It is not a financial aid.
Admissibility: Short films directed or produced in the Autonomous Community of the Basque Country, during the year before the deadline, are accepted.
Contact: Txema Muñoz, Esther Cabero Kimuak / Euskadiko Filmategia-Filmoteca Vasca Antso Jakitunaren Hiribidea, 17-Atzea 20010 Donostia / San Sebastián Tel: +34 943 11 55 11 kimuak@filmotecavasca.com www.kimuak.com

Madrid Community
Madrid Community support for the development of short films:
Amount: 400,000 €.
Admissibility: Fiction, documentary and animation. Minimum length 5 min. and maximum 30 min.

Comunidad de Madrid Dirección General de Promoción Cultural Vicepresidencia y Consejería de Cultura y Deporte Alcalá, 31 - 28014 Madrid Tel: +34 91 720 81 98 cine.asesoria@madrid.org

Xunta de Galicia
Xunta de Galicia support for the development of short films:
Amount: 115,000 €.
Admissibility: Shooting in Galician language. Fiction, documentary, animation and also videoclips.

Consorcio Audiovisual de Galicia Rúa de Horreo, 61 15702 - Santiago de Compostela Tel.: +34 981 545 098 www.consorcioaudiovisualdegalicia.org

Broadcasters
TVE – Televisión Española
Annual acquisitions volume: more or less 70 short films per year.

TV3 – Televisió de Catalunya
In 2012, more than 60 short fiction and animated films for the Sala 33 programming and different special short film programmes of international festivals (Filmet, Animac, Fic-Cat, Sitges, etc).
Spain had signed bilateral co-production agreements with the following countries: Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Cuba, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Mexico, Morocco, New Zealand, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Russia, Tunisia and Venezuela.

Spain has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

**Online professional directory:**

Barcelona-Catalunya Film Commission (BCFC)
Catalan Audiovisual Production Guide:


Catalan Films & TV DataBase: [www.catalanfilmsdb.cat](http://www.catalanfilmsdb.cat)

**Events**

**Mecal Pro - Barcelona**
Mecal Pro is an international Short Film Festival taking place in April in Barcelona. Since 2013, the festival also focuses on animation shorts.
+ Mercat Internacional de Curtmetratges.
[www.mecalbcn.org](http://www.mecalbcn.org)

**Aguilar de Campoo Short Film Festival - Castilla y León (Palencia)**
[www.aguilardocfilmfestival.com](http://www.aguilardocfilmfestival.com)

**Alcine, Festival de Cine de Alcalá de Henares (Madrid)**
Short film market: ShortLatino, mercado del corto en habla hispana y portuguesa
[www.alcine.org](http://www.alcine.org)

**Almería en corto - Almería**
[www.almeriaencorto.es](http://www.almeriaencorto.es)

**Certamen Internacional de Cortos Ciudad de Soria - Soria**
[www.certamendecortossoria.org](http://www.certamendecortossoria.org)

**Curt Ficcions - Barcelona**
[www.curtficcions.org](http://www.curtficcions.org)

**Curtocircuito - Santiago de Compostela**
[www.curtocircuito.org](http://www.curtocircuito.org)

**El Meu Primer Festival. Festival de Cinema Infantil - Barcelona**
[www.elmeuprimerfestival.com](http://www.elmeuprimerfestival.com)

**Festival Europeo de Curtmetratges - Reus and Cambrils (Tarragona)**
[www.fecfestival.com](http://www.fecfestival.com)

**Festival Curt.doc. Festival Internacional de Curtmetratge Documental Víderes (Girona)**
[www.curtdoc.cat](http://www.curtdoc.cat)

**Filmet. Badalona Film Festival (Barcelona)**
Short film market: MercatIN, Mercat Internacional del Curtmetratge
[www.festivalfilmet.cat](http://www.festivalfilmet.cat)

**Huesca International Film Festival**
[www.huesca-filmfestival.com](http://www.huesca-filmfestival.com)

**ZINEBI. International Festival of Documentary and Short Film - Bilbao**
[www.zinebi.com](http://www.zinebi.com)
SHORT FILMS SUPPORTS IN...

SWITZERLAND

Funding opportunities

Office Fédéral de la culture (OFC)

Cinéforom – Fondation romande pour le cinéma

**GENERAL OVERVIEW**

*Population:* 7,955 million  
*Languages:* German, French, Italian and Romansh  
*CURRENCY:* Swiss Franc (CHF)  
1 Euro = 1,2355 CHF*

*Number of screens:* 550 screens (316 digital screens)  
*Average admission per inhabitant:* 1,9

*Full-length films:* 77 productions in 2011  
*Short-length films:* in 2011, 467 Swiss short-films were presented in festival

**Governmental organisation in charge of the cinema:** Office Fédéral de la Culture (OFC)

*The European Central Bank, march the 8th 2013

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**Amounts:** contribution from the Confederation must not exceed 50 % of the global budget (in case of co-productions, contribution from the Confederation must not exceed 50 % of the Swiss participation).

**Selective support:** in 2013, more than 15 million CHF (13 million €) will be allocated, through the selective support scheme, to fiction, documentary and animation projects. 700 000 CHF are reserved for school films. In 2012, 27 short film projects were selected (13 fictions, 2 documentaries and 12 animations) and received a total amount of 1,295 million CHF (more than 1 million €)

**Automatic support:** Since 2012, participation to festivals can generate bonus through the automatic support scheme “festival success”.

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**Cinéforom – Fondation romande pour le cinéma**

Created in May 2011, Cinéforom supports the production and the distribution of short films through the selective aid to realization, the complementary support and its aid program for distribution.

**Admissibility:** productions of Swiss directors whose delegate producer (or director/producer) lives, or is registered, in French speaking Switzerland. If the director lives in French speaking Switzerland the producer can live elsewhere in the country.

**Amounts:** subsidies allocated through the selective aid to realization amounts to maximum 40 % of the Swiss part of the production costs. The selective aid can be combined with the complementary support of Cinéforom. In this case, the total support can’t cover more than 60 % of the Swiss part of the production costs.

In 2012, 31 short films were supported with amounts from 26 000 to 37 000 CHF in average.

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**Broadcaster**

SRG SRG / Pacte de l’audiovisuel

SRG-SSR – the state broadcasters association – supports by means of the Audiovisual Pact, productions of drama, documentary and animation for theatre screening or television.

**Selection:** producers make the application and initiate the project. SRG SSR decides whether it participates or not in the project according to its needs for cultural programs and/or programs for general public. SRG SSR strives to obtain the participation of other country’s broadcasters and thus guarantees access to foreign resources to independent Swiss producers. Candidates have to apply accordingly to the linguistic region concerned. However, a centralised support is available for animated short films. SRG-SSR also provides subsidies for « broadcasting success » and « artistic success » since 2012. Those subsidies must be reinvested in new projects.

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Switzerland has ratified the Council of Europe Convention on Co-production and is a member of Eurimages.

Online professional directory:
www.swissfilm-people.ch
www.annuaireromandducinema.ch

Events

International Short Film Festival Winterthur
Winterthur is situated in the German-speaking part of Switzerland and takes place each year in November. The festival is a popular audience event (16,000 spectators in 2012) and an important platform for the short film industry (3,800 submissions were received in 2012). The film submission deadline is in July.
www.kurzfilmtage.ch

Fantoche International Animation Film Festival – Baden
The international competition is dedicated to short animated film productions worldwide (maximum duration 40 minutes).
www.fantoche.ch

The shnit International Short-filmfestival – Bern
Based in Bern, the festival is an international platform which shares its programming across screens in several cities around the world in October (Bern, Cologne, Cape Town, San Jose, Singapore, Vienna…). Films compete in three categories of length, cross-genres and cross-disciplinary. The film submission deadline is in June.
www.shnit.org

One Minute Film & Video Festival – Aarau
Founded in 2003 and dedicated to very short formats, the festival has an international competition.
www.oneminute.ch

Schweizer Jugendfilmtage – Zurich
Festival dedicated to films made by young Swiss directors.
www.jugendfilmtage.ch

Kurz & Knapp
A short films programming tour in German speaking Swiss which focus on short films less selected in festivals.
www.kurzundknapp.ch

Prix de Court Pathé
Base-Court and Pathé organize an international short film competition. 8 pre-selected short films are shown in the Pathé cinemas in Lausanne and Geneva during one month. The public is invited to vote for his favourite movie. The winner receive the prize of 5,000 CHF cash (around 4,000 €)
www.shortfilm.ch

CO-PRODUCTION AGREEMENTS:
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Online professional directory:
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www.annuaireromandducinema.ch