**2020 MEETINGS ON THE BRIDGE**

**FILM DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP AND NEIGHBOURS PLATFORM RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**1.  DATES**

Meetings on the Bridge Film Development Workshop will take place between **15-16 April, 2020** under the scope of 39th Istanbul Film Festival between **10-21 April** organized by Istanbul Foundation for Culture and Arts.

**2.  PURPOSE**

The purposes of the workshop is as follows:

* To support the development of the film industry in Turkey
* To develop the dialogue of the filmmakers between Turkey and the neighbouring countries and to initiate  co-productions between them.
* To make  the first international presentation of the projects from Turkey and the  neighbouring countries
* To support the directors and producers of the feature fiction and documentary film projects.
* To work together with the directors and producers of the projects on their journey to other international platforms.
* To create the environment/climate with the filmmakers where an ongoing  communication is existing after the workshops.

**3. APPLICATION**

* Feature fiction and documentary projects in development stage from Turkey and neighbouring countries are eligible for the workshop.
* Diversity is essential for the workshop selection. In order to achieve that genre films (horror, fantastic, science fiction, hybrid and interdisciplinary etc.) as well as children films, documentaries and comedies are also encouraged to make application.
* The applications should be made by the director and the producer.
* To apply with a producer is highly recommended.
* The project selection from the neighbouring countries is made by scouting and invitation.

**CONDITIONS FOR SELECTION AND THE SELECTED PROJECTS**

* Priority will be given to the projects that have not attended a similar co-production market.
* The director, producer and the scriptwriter of the project are expected to attend the  workshops and trainings and also the Meetings on the Bridge master classes and panels.
* One to one meetings and jury pitchings are done in English. The project team is expected to speak English.
* After the project is realized Istanbul Film Festival Meetings on the Bridge logo should be put in the final credits of the film.
* If the project is presented with an award at Meetings on the Bridge, after the film realized the logos of Istanbul Film Festival Meetings on the Bridge and the award sponsor  should be placed in the opening credits of the film. Both logos should be placed in all the printed material of the film and website.
* It is expected that the premiere (first public screening) of the award-winning film will be made at the Istanbul Film Festival. In the case of an alternative schedule for the premiere of the film Istanbul Film Festival has the right to be informed in advance.
* The award winning films in Meetings on the Bridge should make its premiere in Istanbul in Istanbul Film Festival in case they are selected.
* The selection of the projects is made by Meetings on the Bridge team with  advisors and reading committee.
* Meetings on the Bridge is not obliged to give explanation about the selection.

**6. AWARDS**

* 8000 EURO CNC Award
* Postbıyık Sound Post-production Award

**7. SCHEDULE**

Meetings on the Bridge Film Development Workshop schedule is set up as follows:

**22 November 2019, Friday:** Application announcements are opened

**13-15 April 2020, Monday- Wednesday:**

**15-16 April 2020, Wednesday- Thursday:**  Meetings on the Bridge workshops

Istanbul Film Festival- Meetings on the Bridge has the right to make a change in the schedule.

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