



**Press Release**

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**EFADs General Assembly meets in San Sebastian and re-elects Peter Dinges as president**

On 19 September the European Film Agency Directors (EFADs) met at the San Sebastian Film Festival. As the EFADs board approached the end of its current mandate, the EFADs reelected the president, vice president, and board of directors to oversee the strategic objectives of the association. Peter Dinges, president of the EFADs, highlighted: “We have made significant steps due to the inspiring network and dialogue we have within our association. But there’s more to be done and there is a challenging road ahead. We are ready to meet those challenges with one voice that combines the diversity in European film culture.”

The newly elected board members are:

Peter Dinges, FFA German Federal Filmboard (President)

Guy Daleiden, Film Fund Luxembourg (Vice President)

Doreen Boonekamp, Netherlands Film Fund

Jeanne Brunfaut, Centre du Cinéma et de l’Audiovisuel (CCA) de la Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles

Carol Comley, British Film Institute

Chiara Fortuna, Directorate General for Cinema of the Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage, Activities and Tourism

Laufey Guðjónsdóttir, Icelandic Film Centre

James Hickey, Irish Film Board

Rolandas Kvietkauskas, Lithuanian Film Centre

Julie-Jeanne Régault, Centre national du cinéma et de l’image animée (CNC)

Edith Sepp, Estonian Film Institute

Roland Teichmann, Austrian Film Institute

The meeting was also an opportunity to discuss some of the main legislative proposals of the European Commission currently on the table such as the copyright package and the AVMSD. Another

main point of the discussion included future common projects in the partnership between the EFADs and the CACI, the Latin American association of film agencies. A first result of this partnership is a joint EFADs-CACI Coproduction Grant which will be awarded within the Fifth Coproduction Forum at the San Sebastian Film Festival on Wednesday. The EFADs welcomed Jorge Sánchez, director of the Mexican Film Institute, as a representative of CACI to their meeting and will soon decide who will represent the EFADs at the next CACI meeting in Chile.