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LA BIENNALE DI VENEZIA 2021

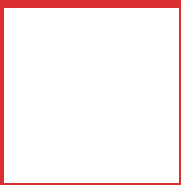


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PROGRAMME AND MARKET SCREENINGS SCHEDULE

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78. Mostra Internazionale d'Arte Cinematografica

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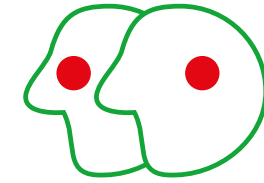
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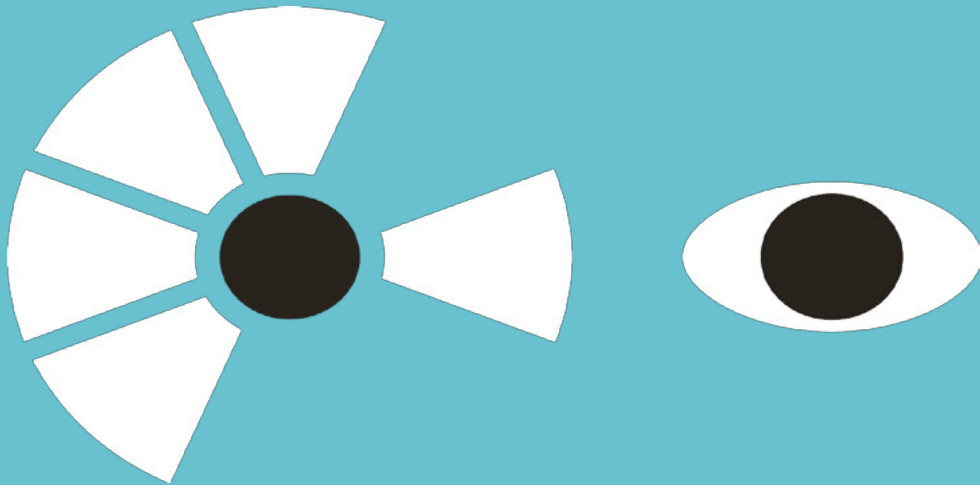
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Prod: Family Affair Films

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Dir: Caroline Strubbe
NL Co-prod: Volya Films

HOLLY

Dir: Fien Troch
NL Co-prod: Topkapi Films, Tabiki Film

CAFÉ GLASER-MÜLLER (VR)

Dir: Gorki Glaser-Müller
NL Co-prod: Chronosphere, WemakeVR, 4DR Studios

SYMBIOSIS (VR)

Dir: Marcel van Brakel & Mark Meeuwenoord
Prod: Polymorf, Co-prod: Studio Biarritz

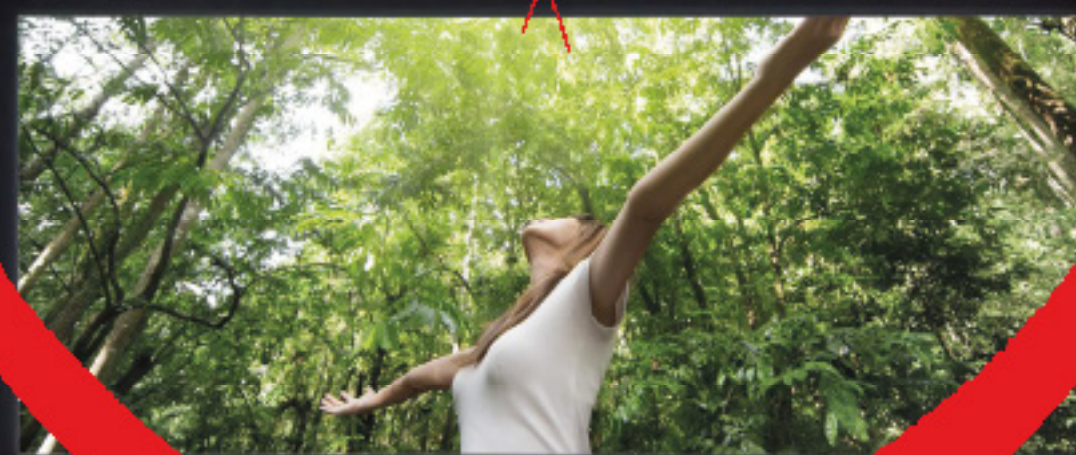
TALES OF THE MARCH (VR)

Dir: Stefano Casertano
NL Co-prod: Isabella Films

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Tickets may only be reserved online, subject to seating availability, on the website:
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Anti Covid-19 Protocols Green Pass and Security Checks

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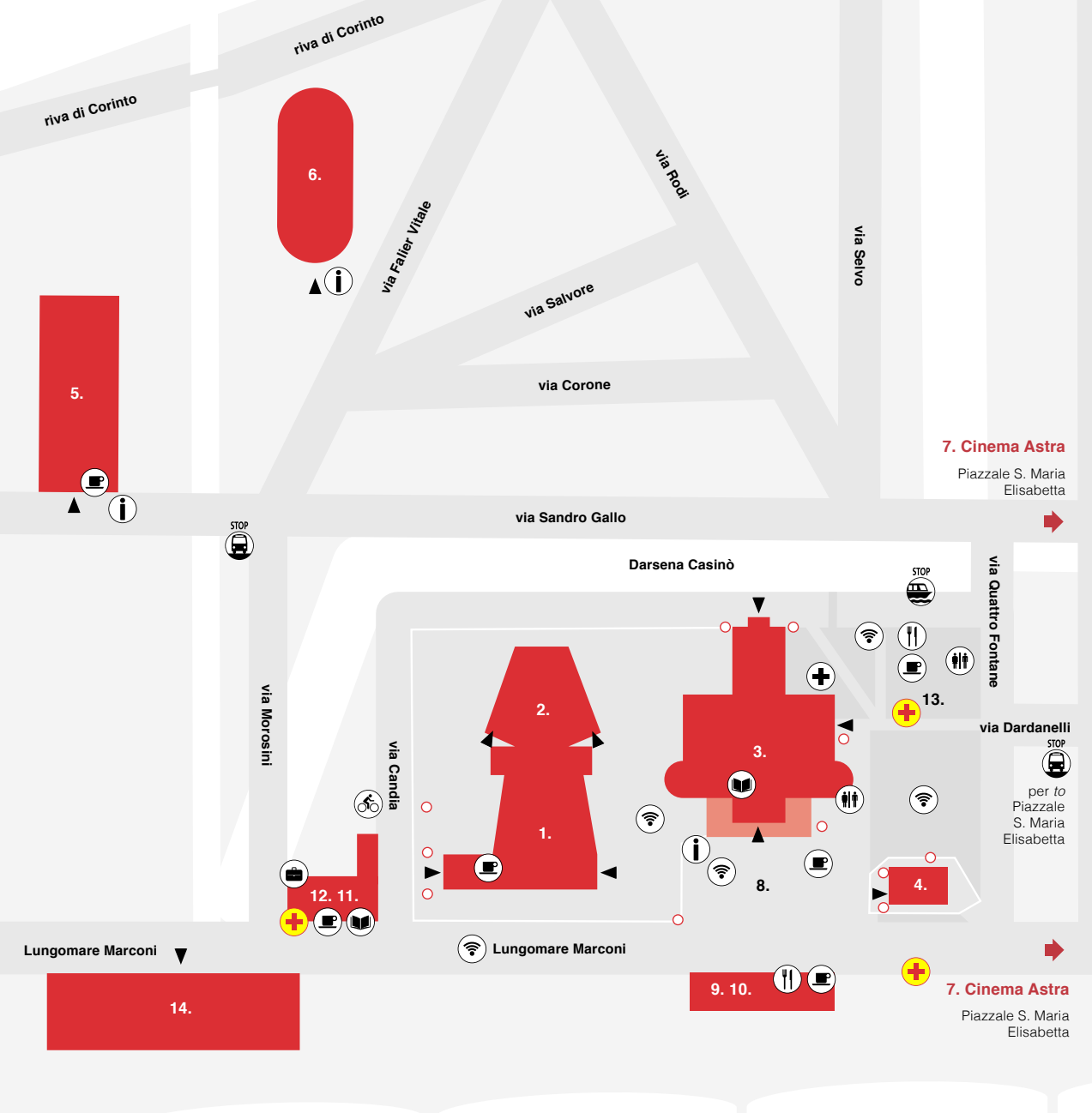
- To collect the accreditation and to access the areas and the screening rooms of the Festival you must have and present an EU Covid Certificate (Green Pass) or equivalent certificate recognized by the Italian Government. An EU Covid Certificate (Green Pass) or equivalent certificate is proof that a person has either been vaccinated – with a vaccine recognised by EMA- against Covid-19, or received the first dose of a vaccine valid from the fifteenth day following until the date scheduled for the administration of the second dose (in the case of a double-dose vaccine), or recovered from Covid-19, or received a negative PCR or rapid antigen test result in the previous 48 hours. Pass holders must present a valid ID together with the certificate. In absence of the above La Biennale will refuse admissions to the Festival and you will not be eligible for any refund.
- Keep your mask on while queuing for entering Venice Production Bridge areas.
- Keep your mask on while seated in the Venice Production Bridge areas.
- Always maintain social distancing in open areas and closed areas.
- Please always use the hygenizing liquids provided at the entrance of the Venice Production Bridge areas.

Always book your seat in the Spazio Incontri and respect the booking positions assigned, seats are alternated in order to maintain social distance. Always show your ticket or your accreditation at the entrance of the Venice Production Bridge areas for electronic tracing.

For security reasons, entrance to the grounds and venues of the 78th Venice Film Festival will only be allowed through controlled access points, green pass certificates will be checked, compulsory temperature check will have to be carried out at these access points.

Please arrive at the panels well in advance and maintain social distance while queuing. Always carry with you your Green Pass certification. Hubs devoted to antigenic swabs are open within the Festival area. The Festival area will be closed to all vehicular traffic. Bicycles must be pushed by hand. Masks will have to be on in all the Festival area.

No luggage will be allowed into the grounds: a baggage checkroom is available. Entrance to the screening theatres with audio/video recording devices or photographic equipment will not be permitted.



78. Mostra Internazionale d'Arte Cinematografica



- 1. Palazzo del Cinema**
Sala Grande (1031 518 + 4 ♿ seats)
Sala Pasinetti (119 63 seats)
Sala Zorzi (48 24 seats)
President's Office
General Management
Offices
Festival Director's Office
Cinema Department
Hospitality Office
Protocol

- 2. Sala Darsena**
Screening Theatre
(1401 699 + 8 ♿ seats)

- 3. Palazzo del Casinò**
VR Gallery (14 seats)
Sala Casinò (147 76 + 2 ♿ seats)
Sala Perla (593 310 + 4 ♿ seats)
Sala Perla 2 (280 122 + 4 ♿ seats)
Sala Volpi (149 77 + 2 ♿ seats)
Accreditation Desk
Registration Office
Electa Bookshop
Press Material
Press Conference Room
Press Office
Photocall
Radio Call
TV Call
Biennale Call
Press Room

- 4. Sala Giardino**
Screening Theatre
(568 284 + 2 ♿ seats)

- 5. PalaBiennale**
Screening Theatre
(1760 880 + 8 ♿ seats)
Bar

- 6. Arena Lido**
Screening Theatre
(655 + 4 ♿ seats)

- 7. Cinema Astra**
via Corfù 12 – Lido di Venezia
Sala 1 (221 112 + 2 ♿ seats)
Sala 2 (113 60 + 2 ♿ seats)

- 8. Piazzale del Cinema**
Bar
Infopoint
Spazio Rai

- 9. Terrazza**
Terrazza Biennale –
Bar and Restaurant

- 10. Campari Lounge –**
Orizzonti 78
Press Meetings

- 11. Bar al Leone d'Oro**

- 12. Piccole Procuratie**
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Gelateria La Dolce Vita
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Baggage Checkroom

- 13. Area Giardino**
Food and beverage area

- 14. Hotel Excelsior**
Venice Production Bridge, third floor
Regione del Veneto, first floor
Istituto Luce – Cinecittà, ground floor
Fondazione Ente dello Spettacolo,
ground floor

- 15. Teatro Piccolo Arsenale**
Campo della Tana, 2168/B – Venezia
Screening Theatre
(252 126 + 2 ♿ seats)

- 16. Multisala Rossini**
San Marco, 3997/a – Venezia
Sala 1 (300 150 + 2 ♿ seats)
Sala 2 (110 54 + 1 ♿ seats)
Sala 3 (110 54 + 1 ♿ seats)

- 17. IMG Cinemas Candiani**
Piazza Candiani, 7/a – Mestre
Sala 1 (200 100 + 2 ♿ seats)
Sala 2 (200 85 + 2 ♿ seats)

Access point	Infopoint	Food and beverage area	First aid	Hub antigenic swabs
Access to the building	Toilets	Bookshop	Access to the venues of the Venice Film Festival Access to the venues of the Festival are barrier-free.	
Actv Stops	Free Wi-Fi area	Bike Sharing		
	Baggage Checkroom			

Palazzo del Casinò

ground floor

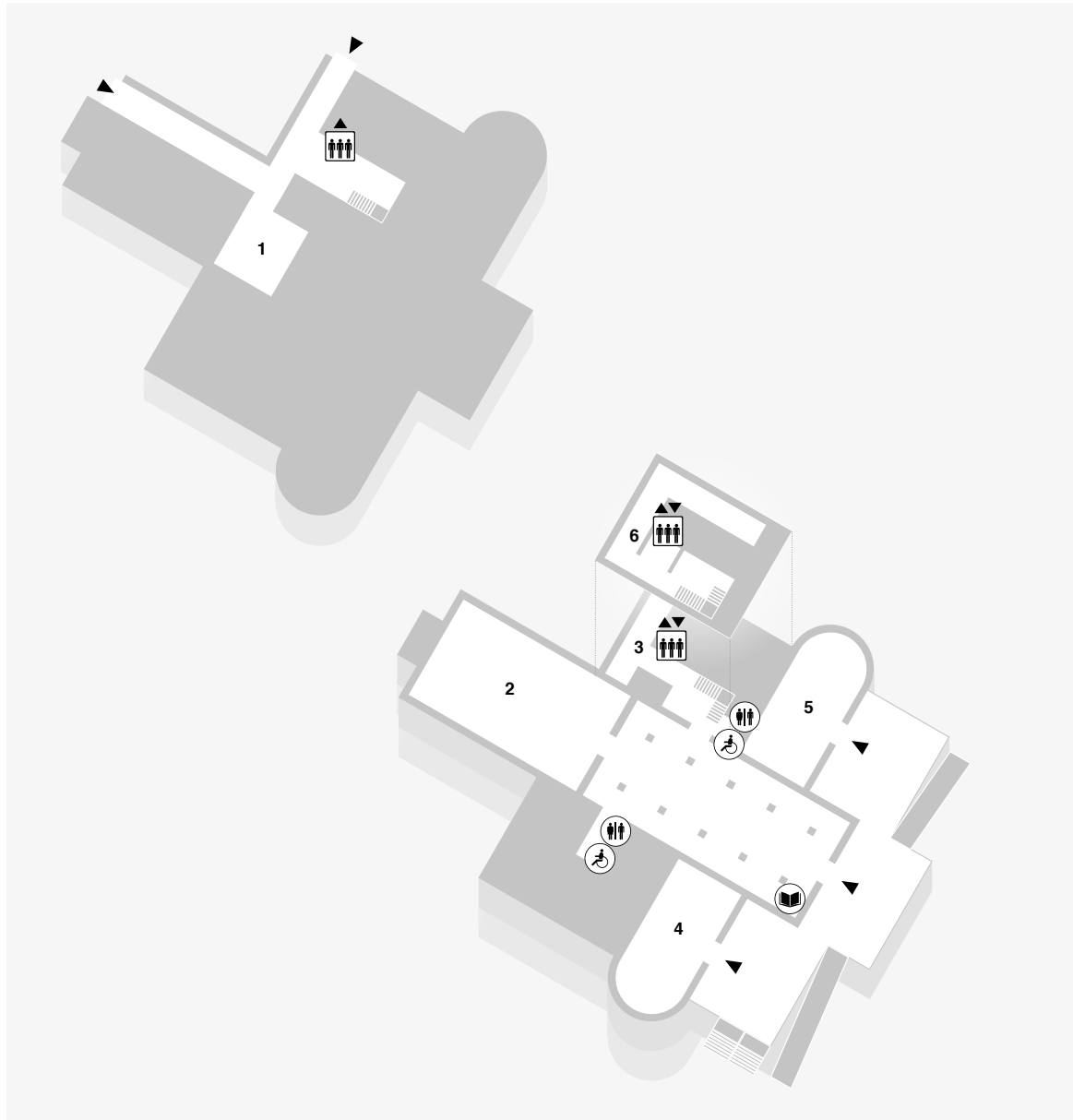
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- 2 Sala Perla
- 3 Registration Office
- 4 Sala Volpi
- 5 Sala Casinò

second floor

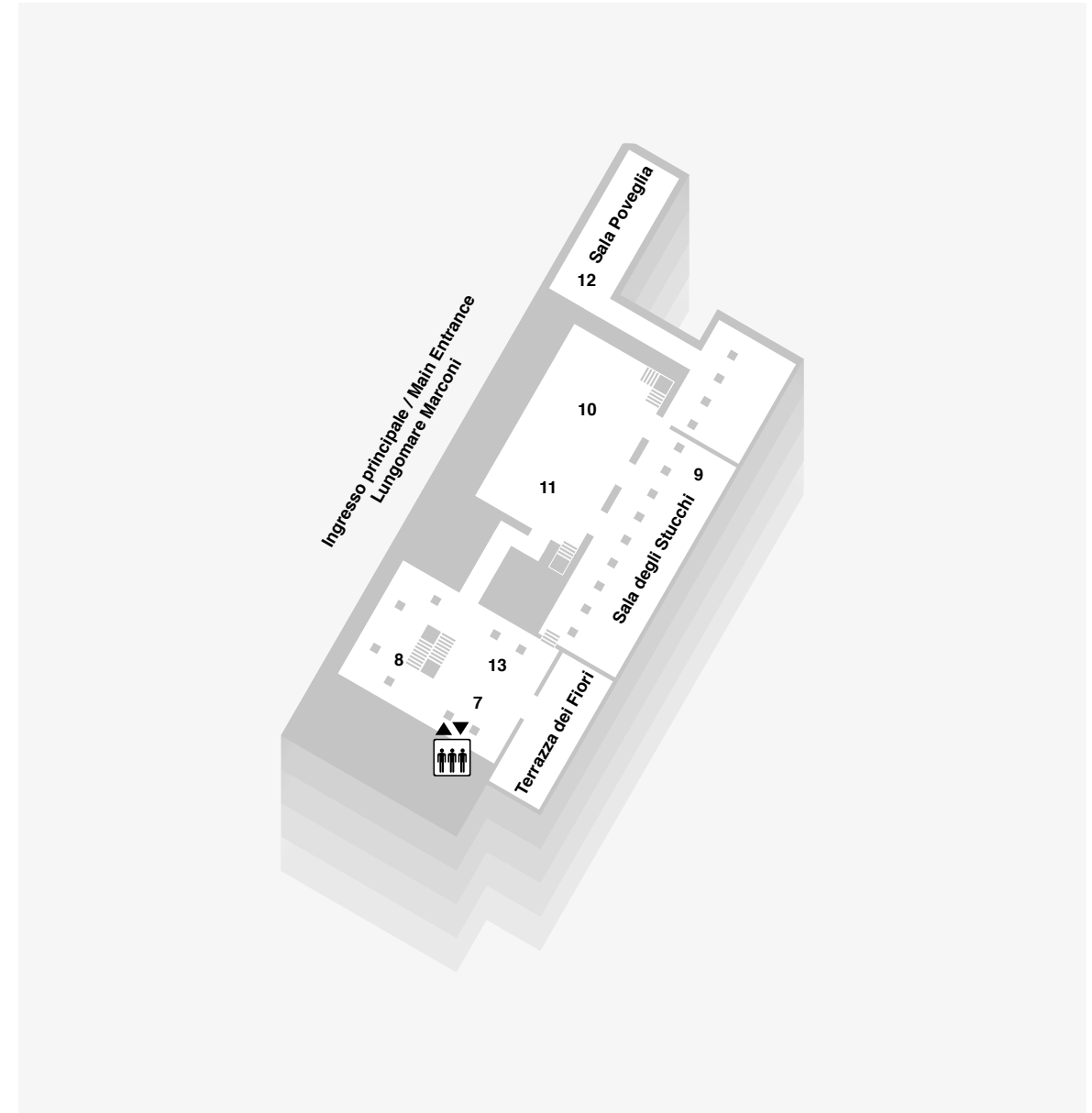
- 6 VR Gallery



Hotel Excelsior

third floor

- 7 Infopoint
- 8 Venice Production Bridge Office
- 9 Venice Gap-Financing Market (Feature) and Book Adaptation Rights Market 1to1 meetings (3.09 – 5.09)
- 10 Spazio Incontri (2.09 – 10.09)
- 11 Industry Business Centre
- 12 Industry Gold Club (2.09-7.09)
- 13 Venice Gap-Financing Market VR 1to1 meetings (3.09-5.09) VOD Market Day 1to1 meetings (6.09) Final Cut in Venice 1to1 meetings (7.09)



Thursday, September 2nd

18.30 – 20.30
TERRAZZA BIENNALE /
VPB COCKTAIL AREA

VENICE GAP-FINANCING
MARKET AND BOOK
ADAPTATION RIGHTS MARKET
Welcome Cocktail

Hosted by Venice Production Bridge
By invitation only

Friday, September 3rd

9.30 – 11.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
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& VPB LIVE CHANNEL

Venice Production Bridge: presentation of the 13 VR Immersive Story Projects of the Venice Gap-Financing Market

Moderators: Michel Reilhac (Expert programmer consultant to the Artistic Director of the 78. VIFF with specific reference to the Venice VR Expanded Competition and Head of Studies, Biennale College Cinema and College Cinema – VR) and Liz Rosenthal (Expert programmer consultant to the Artistic Director of the 78. VIFF with specific reference to the Venice VR Expanded Competition)
Hosted by Venice Production Bridge
Pass holders and public

9.30 – 18.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
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(ON-SITE MEETINGS)
& VGFM ZOOM ROOMS
(ONLINE MEETINGS)

VENICE GAP-FINANCING MARKET (Feature) one-to-one meetings

9.30 – 18.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
BARM AREA / SALA STUCCHI
(ON-SITE MEETINGS)
& BARM ZOOM ROOMS
(ONLINE MEETINGS)

BOOK ADAPTATION RIGHTS MARKET one-to-one meetings

9.30 – 18.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
VGFM AREA / FOYER
(ON-SITE MEETINGS)
& VGFM ZOOM ROOMS
(ONLINE MEETINGS)

VENICE GAP-FINANCING MARKET (VR) one-to-one meetings

11.30 – 13.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
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& VPB LIVE CHANNEL

ANICA Servizi for DGCA MiC and Istituto Luce-Cinecittà presents the SPECIAL EVENT Why the Audiovisual Industry Cares about the EU Digital Services Act: Protection for Production!

In Collaboration with MPA
(English/Italian with translation)
Pass holders and public

13:00 – 14:30

Celebrating Cinema Red Sea International Film Festival Lunch

By Invitation only

14.00 – 15.45
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL

SEE NL: Through the Looking Glass Ins and outs of immersive story telling in The Netherlands

Moderator: Lorna Tee (CEO, Paperheart)
Panelists: Absaline Hehakaya (Project manager Selective Funding, Netherlands Film Fund), Avinash Changa (CEO, WeMakeVR), Caspar Sonnen (Head of new media, IDFA), Babette Wijntjes (Founder, Cassette Stories)
Hosted by SEE NL (see-nl.com)
Pass holders and public

16.00 – 18.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL

Strategies for the Arthouse industry in the post-pandemic era: Recovery through innovation and diversity

Moderator: Nick Vivarelli, (Italy and Middle East correspondent, Variety)
Guest Speakers: Lucía Recalde (Head of unit of the Audiovisual industry and Media Support Programmes, European Commission), Sonya Chung (Deputy Director, Film Forum), Matthijs Wouter Knol (Director, European Film Academy), Dr. Christian Bräuer (President, CICAIE)
Hosted by the International Confederation of Arthouse Cinemas (CICAIE)
(English/Italian/French with translation)
Pass holders

18.00 – 19.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
TERRAZZA DEI FIORI /
VPB COCKTAIL AREA

Meet the Arthouse Cinemas Cocktail

Hosted by the International Confederation of Arthouse Cinemas (CICAIE)
By invitation only

Online Market Screenings

11.30

Private Screening

Intramovies

By invitation only

14.00

Occhi blu / Blue Eyes

by Michela Cescon

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15.40

Yaya e Lennie – The Walking Liberty

by Alessandro Rak

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17.40

Protector

By Honghemei Yao

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Saturday, September 4th

9.00 – 10.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL

Taiwan — XR Player One

Panelists: Aurélien Dirlir (Adviser at TAICCA), Grace Lee (Head of Kaohsiung VR Film Lab), Huei Chan (Marketing Director of Pumpkin Studio), Jörg Tittel (Writer/Director, THE LAST WORKER, and Producer, Oiffy), Antoine Cardon (Associate Founder at EL-GABAL), Tung-Yen Chou (Founder and Director of Very Mainstream Studio), Alice Cheng (Vice-President of TAICCA)

Hosted by Taiwan Creative Content Agency
Pass holders

9.30 – 18.30

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(ON-SITE MEETINGS)
& VGFM ZOOM ROOMS
(ONLINE MEETINGS)

VENICE GAP-FINANCING MARKET (Feature) one-to-one meetings

9.30 – 18.30

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& BARM ZOOM ROOMS
(ONLINE MEETINGS)

BOOK ADAPTATION RIGHTS MARKET one-to-one meetings

9.30 – 18.30

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VENICE GAP-FINANCING MARKET (VR) one-to-one meetings

11.00 – 13.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
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OuiCoprod, a new platform showcasing 50+ pre-financed film projects from Africa, Caribbean & Pacific (ACP States)

Moderator: Enrico Chiesa (OIF, in charge of Clap ACP coproduction support)

Panelists: Hakim Mao (Initiative Film, development consultant), Muriel Thierrin (Aldabra Films, producer of A Rooster on the Fire Escape by Guetty Felin, a Haiti-Dominican Rep. coproduction), Francis Nebot (iFind productions, 3 Cold Dishes in Abidjan, a Nigeria-Burkina coproduction).

Hosted by Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie, Fonsic (Ivory Coast), with the financial aid of the EU and the support of the Organization of ACP States

Pass holders and public

13.00 – 14.00
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The French XR scene: an international footprint

Moderator: Michel Reilhac (Expert programmer consultant to the Artistic Director of the 78. VIFF with specific reference to the Venice VR Expanded Competition and Head of Studies, Biennale College Cinema and College Cinema – VR)

Panelists: Mathias Chelebourg (director, *Alice, the Virtual Reality Play*, *Jack, Baba Yaga*), Antoine Cayrol (founder and producer, Atlas V)

Hosted by UniFrance
Pass holders and public

14.00 – 16.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
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& VPB LIVE CHANNEL

EPC Conference

Co-productions: toward a revolution?

Moderator: Alexandra Lebret (Managing Director, European Producers Club)

Contributors: Julie-Jeanne Regnault (Secretary General EFAD – European Film Agency Directors), Bero Beyer (CEO Netherlands Film Fund), Guy Daleiden (Managing Director, Film Fund Luxembourg)

Organized by the European Producers Club
Pass holders and public

16.30 – 18.30
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& VPB LIVE CHANNEL

ANICA Servizi for DGCA MiC and Istituto Luce-Cinecittà presents FOCUS ON RUSSIA

Co-Production Strategies and Investments between Russia and Italy

Russia's Domestic Content Market from the Perspective of International Collaboration

In Collaboration with Roskino
(English/Italian with translation)
Pass holders and public

18.30 – 20.00
TERRAZZA BIENNALE /
VPB COCKTAIL AREA

FINAL CUT IN VENICE Welcome Cocktail

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Online Market Screenings

9.00

Private Screening

True Colours

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10.50

Private Screening

True Colours

By invitation only

14.00

Private Screening

True Colours

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Sunday, September 5th

9.00 – 13.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
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Challenging the Digital Deluge

Moderator: Carlo Gentile
(Critico Cinematografico Sncci)
Speakers: Rosetta Sannelli
(Premio Kinéo), Stefano Costantini
(la Repubblica), Gianluca Farinelli
(Cineteca di Bologna), Marcello Foti
(Commissione di Valutazione Progetti
Speciali MIC), Chiara Sbarigia
(Istituto Luce Cinecittà), Nicola Borrelli
(Direttore della Direzione Generale
Cinema e Audiovisivo MIC), Caterina
D'Amico (storica del Cinema), Matthias
Fiegl (Lomographic Society), Jens
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Michele Lofoco (avvocato), David Bogi
(RAI COM)

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9.30 – 17.00
PALAZZO DEL CINEMA /
SALA PASINETTI (ON-SITE)
AND ONLINE ON THE VPB WEBSITE

FINAL CUT IN VENICE
**9th Edition of the Workshop,
which Supports the Completion
of Films from African Countries,
Jordan, Iraq, Lebanon, Palestine,
and Syria**

9.30 – 9.45
Introduction and opening remarks:
Alberto Barbera
*Artistic Director of the 78th Venice
International Film Festival*

Screenings:
9.45

The Mother of All Lies 60'
by Asmae El Moudir
Asmae El Moudir
and Silvana Santamaria
(Insight Films, Soilfilms Media GmbH)
+ Q&A
11.15

Mami Wata 60'
by C. J. "Fiery" Obasi
Oge Obasi
(Fiery Film Company)
+ Q&A
15.00

**Taht El Karmouss /
Under the Fig Trees** 45'
by Erige Sehiri
Erige Sehiri
(Henia Production)
+ Q&A

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(ONLINE MEETINGS)

**BOOK ADAPTATION
RIGHTS MARKET**
one-to-one meetings

9.30 – 18.30
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& VGFM ZOOM ROOMS
(ONLINE MEETINGS)
**VENICE GAP-FINANCING
MARKET (VR)**
one-to-one meetings

14.00 – 17.00
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**EUROVOD Conference:
The new face of the VOD
industry in Europe:
challenges, opportunities
and responsibilities**

14.00 – 14.20
VOD Market Days Opening
Introduction by Marc Putman
(EUROVOD), Pascal Diot (Venice
Production Bridge), Michael Gubbins
(Sampo Media)

14.20 – 15.00
**VOD Market Trends
& Evolutions**
Presented by Guy Bisson (Ampere
Analysis)
Q&A moderated by Michael Gubbins

15.00 – 15.30
**Piracy Audience Trends and
Patterns**
Robin Boldon (OpSecSecurity)
(TBC) Q&A moderated by Michael
Gubbins
15.30 – 15.45 Break
15.45 – 16.00

**Overview on the environmental
impact of digital technologies**
Presented by Mohamed Sifaoui
(Tènk)

16.00 – 17.00
**Communicating with the
audience: user experience,
humanized digital mediation,
diversity and inclusion**
Guest Speakers: Evgenia Markova
(Roskino), Marc Putman (OUTtv),
Julie-Jeanne Régnault (EFADs),
Samuel Gantier (DeVisu Laboratory
- TBC), Agustina Lumi (EUROVOD,
UsherU)

Moderated by Michael Gubbins
Hosted by EUROVOD
and the Venice Production Bridge
Pass holders and public

17.30 – 19.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL

**Biennale College Cinema:
A Creative Formula
in the Time of Covid19**

Moderator and introduction:
Peter Cowie (Film Historian and former
International Publishing Director, *Variety*)

Panelists: Sara Ehnholm Hielm (Film
critic, *Hufvudstadsbladet*), Pierre
Eisenreich (Film critic, *Positif*), Glenn
Kenny (Film critic, *RogerEbert.com*),
Chris Vognar (Culture critic, *Dallas
Morning News*), Stephanie Zacharek
(Film critic, *Time*), Savina Neirotti
(Head of Biennale College Cinema and
Biennale College Cinema Virtual Reality
and Content Curator, Venice Production
Bridge)
Pass holders and public

18.30 – 20.00
TERRAZZA BIENNALE /
VPB COCKTAIL AREA

VPB Cocktail
Hosted by Venice Production Bridge
and SEE NL
By invitation only

Online Market Screenings

11.00
Private Screening
True Colours
By invitation only

14.00
**ANICA Servizi for DGCA-MiC &
Istituto Luce-Cinecittà presents**
Lan Xingqiu: Zhongguo Kehuan
Duanpian Jingxuan /
Chinese-directed Sci-Fi short
films selected from the Blue
Planet Sci-Fi Film Festival 117'
By Various Directors
Future Media Convergence Institute
of Xinhuanet Co., Ltd.
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

16.10
Comedians 96'
by Gabriele Salvatores
RAI COM SPA
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

Monday, September 6th

9.00 – 18.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
VOD AREA / FOYER
(ON-SITE MEETINGS)
& VOD ZOOM ROOMS
(ONLINE MEETINGS)
VOD MARKET DAYS
one-to-one meetings
Hosted by EUROVOD
and the Venice Production Bridge

9.30 – 17.00
PALAZZO DEL CINEMA /
SALA PASINETTI (ON-SITE)
AND ONLINE ON THE VPB WEBSITE
FINAL CUT IN VENICE
9th Edition of the Workshop,
which Supports the Completion
of Films from African Countries,
Jordan, Iraq, Lebanon, Palestine,
and Syria

Screenings:
9.30
As Noites Aindá Cheiram
a Pólvora / The Nights
Still Smell of Gunpowder 40'
by Inadelso Cossa
Inadelso Cossa (16mmFILMES)
+ Q&A
10.45
Nous, étudiants! /
We, Students! 83'
by Rafiki Fariala
Daniele Incalcaterra (Makongo Films)
+ Q&A
15.00
Hanging Gardens 90'
by Ahmed Yassin Al-Daradji
Huda Al-Kadhimi and May Odeh
(Ishtar Iraq Film Production, Odeh
Films)
+ Q&A
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

10.00 – 12.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL
European Film Forum
Behind the scenes of the screen
industry: for an innovative
and resilient industry
Moderator: Marjorie Paillon (Journalist)
Keynote speeches: Roberto Cicutto
(President of La Biennale di Venezia),
Giuseppe Abbamonte (European
Commission, DG CNECT Director Media
Policy - online intervention),
Nicola Borrelli (DG Cinema and
Audiovisual of the MIC)
Panelists: Jan Runge (Cinnovate),
Andrea Occhipinti (LuckyRed), Marie
Isabelle Coté (TBC), Jaume Ripoll
(Filmin) (TBC)
Closing remarks: Massimiliano
Smeriglio (MEP & Rapporteur for
Creative Europe 2021-2027)
Hosted by the EU's Creative Europe
MEDIA Programme
and La Biennale di Venezia
(English/Italian with translation)
Pass holders and public

15.00 – 16.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL
Virtual Worlds, Social VR
and the Metaverse: Opportunities
for the Arts and Entertainment
Spheres
Moderator: Liz Rosenthal (Expert
programmer consultant to the Artistic
Director of the 78. VIFF with specific
reference to the Venice VR Expanded
Competition)
Guest Speakers: Kiira Benzing
(Creative Director, Double Eye Studios),
Rick Treweek (Co-Founder, Eden
& Founder, Metaverse Community),
Theo Priestley (Futurist, Author
& Metaverse Consultant)
Hosted by Venice Production Bridge
Pass holders and public

17.15 – 18.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL
The New Finance
of the Arab World
Moderator: Alaa Karkouti
(MAD Solutions)
Panelists: Wayne Borg (NEOM),
Mohamed Hefzy (Film Clinic), Stephen
Strachan (Alula Film Commission),
Assem Ramadan (Rotana Studios),
Adly Thoma (Gemini Africa), Mohannad
Al-Bakry (Royal Film Commission
Jordan)
Hosted by Arab Cinema Center
and the Venice Production Bridge
Pass holders and public

18.30 – 20.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
TERRAZZA DEI FIORI
Arab Cinema Center Cocktail
Hosted by Arab Cinema Center
By invitation only

Online Market Screenings

9.30
Amira 98'
by Mohamed Diab
Pyramide International
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

11.30
Occhi blu / Blue Eyes 86'
by Michela Cescon
RAI COM SPA
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

13.15
Private Screening
ZIN Documentaire
By invitation only

14.30
Splendid Land 22'
By Eleni Vlassi and Huaqing Jin
Star International Culture Media Co., Ltd.
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

Tuesday, September 7th

9.30 – 16.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
FCV AREA / FOYER
(ON-SITE MEETINGS)
& FCV ZOOM ROOMS
(ONLINE MEETINGS)
FINAL CUT IN VENICE
one-to-one meetings

11.00 – 13.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
Sardegna Film Commission
and Green Cross
A better world is possible:
our future must be GREEN
and Sustainable.

Il cinema delle nuove
generazioni, tra modelli
produttivi sperimentali
e Innovazione responsabile.
With Ministero della Transizione
Ecologica (MITE) and Sistema
Nazionale per la Protezione
dell'Ambiente (SNPA)
In cooperation with Connect4Climate
and Italian Film Commissions
Pass holders and public

14.00 – 16.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL
Seminar on Gender Equality
and Inclusivity
in the Film Industry
Hosted by La Biennale di Venezia,
Eurimages, Women in Film Television,
Media Italy and Dissenso Comune
Pass holders and public

17.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL
FINAL CUT IN VENICE
Awards Ceremony
Pass holders

Online Market Screenings

12.00
Beyond the Border 24'
by Naseer Khanday
Byfoot Adventure Sports
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

13.00
Altro L 15'
by Maurizio Fiume
Riverstudio startup innovativa
with Teresa Saponangelo
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

14.00
Yaya e Lennie –
The Walking Liberty 110'
by Alessandro Rak
RAI COM SPA
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

16.00
Mondocane 110'
by Alessandro Celli
Minerva Pictures
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

Wednesday, September 8th

11.00 – 13.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
**Chinese Vision: Creativity
and Imagination of the Youth.**
Speakers: Zhanger (CEO, Xintou
Enterprise Management Company),
Kiki Gao (CEO, Shanghai Chenjue
Event Management Company),
Zhengxiao (Media and Editor
of Periodical Morality Education Beijing)
Organised by Lorisces s.r.l
Public

14.00 – 15.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL
**Access to digital distribution
for independent immersive
content**

Moderator: Michel Reilhac (Expert
programmer consultant to the Artistic
Director of the 78. VIFF with specific
reference to the Venice VR Expanded
Competition and Head of Studies,
Biennale College Cinema and College
Cinema – VR)

Speakers: Louis Cacciuttolo (CEO
of VRrOOm), Leen Segers (Lucidweb),
Yen Chou (director of In the mist)
Hosted by Venice Production Bridge
Pass holders and public

16.00 – 16.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
**Goldberg Serpentine Love
musical short film presentation**
Moderator: Marco Maria Tosolini (Music
consultant, TV & radio director and host,
RAI screenwriter and playwright)
Panelists: Davide Fregona (President,
Associazione Piano FVG), Luca
Coassin (Director, musical short film
Goldberg Serpentine Love), Pasqualino
Suppa (Writer and producer, musical
short film Goldberg Serpentine Love)

Screening:
Goldberg Serpentine Love 10'
by Luca Coassin
written and produced by Pasqualino
Suppa
produced by Davide Fregona
PianoFVG – Eufrosia Film – Orpheo
Hosted by PianoFVG and Eufrosia Film
Pass holders and public

17.20 – 17.50
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
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PianoFVG - Eufrosia Film - Orpheo
Hosted by PianoFVG and Eufrosia Film
By invitation only

Thursday, September 9th

9.00 – 10.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
& VPB LIVE CHANNEL
**From the Philippines
to the World:
The On The Job Franchise
and Exploring New Ways
of Global Content Distribution**
Moderator: Paolo Bertolin (Film Writer,
Producer & Festival Programmer Venice
Film Festival)
Presented by: Film Development
Council of the Philippines, Film
Philippines Office, Reality Entertainment
(TBC), HBO Go (TBC)
Panelists: Erik Matti (Director),
Dondon Monteverde (Producer) (TBC),
Stacey Bascon (Producer) (TBC),
HBO Go Representative (TBC)
Hosted by FDCP
Pass holders

11.00 – 13.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
Rebibbia Lockdown 63'
A docufilm by Fabio Cavalli
Ideated by Paola Severino
Produced by Clipper Media
with Rai Cinema
Hosted by Rai Cinema, in collaboration
with Luiss Guido Carli University
Pass holders

14.00 – 16.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
**27th Forum Fedic
Federazione Italiana dei Cineclub
Il futuro del corto d'autore:
Il percorso da cinema
indipendente del filmmaker Fedic**
Moderator and introduction: Paolo
Micalizzi (Film critic and writer)
Guest Speakers: Lorenzo Caravello
(Presidente FEDIC), Laura Biggi (Head
of Fedic Scuola), Ilaria Copeta
(Booktrailer Film Festival)
e Laura Forcella Iascone
(curatrice Progetto SicComeDante)
Screenings:
Fight Cineclub 16'
by Marco Rosati
(Corte Tripoli Cinematografica - Pisa)
Cosa significa Dante per me 5'
by Francesco Zambelli e Alice Bonati
M'arregordu (Mi ricordo) 2'
by Pio Bruno
(Cineclub Fedic Cagliari)

Il montatore (Por – nostrano) 2'
by Valter Cavalli, Guido Rubini,
Alessandro Zaffanella
(Cineclub Compagnia Genitori Instabili)
Ni' Har 1'
by Giorgio Bertuccioli
(CineVideoClub Pesaro)
*Emigrati ed emigrazione,
Ferrara anni Sessanta* 3'
by Carlo Menegatti
(Cineclub Fedic Delta del Po)
*Il gelsomino notturno
e il novenario pascoliano* 1'
by Roberto Merlino
(Corte Tripoli Cinematografica - Pisa)
*Il Signore dei Verdi, 1887 –
Il caso Gaeta* 2'
by Gioele Fazzeri
(Fotovideo Genova)
Dante a Carrara 1'20"
by Lorenzo Caravello
(Cineclub Cineamatori Apuani)
Ridens 1'30"
by Alessandro Valbonesi
(Sedicicorto - Forli)
La danza nera, political 2'
by Mauro John Capece
(Cineclub Evoque Officina d'Arte)
Reverse, legal thriller 1'40"
by Mauro John Capece
(Cineclub Evoque Officina d'Arte)
I giorni bianchi 1'10"
by Davide Alfonsi e Denis Malagnino
(Cineclub Evoque Officina d'Arte)
Padre Amorth – L'esorcista 1'40"
by Giacomo Franciosa
(Cineclub Evoque Officina d'Arte)
Angelo 1'10"
by Manuele Moriconi
(Corte Tripoli Cinematografica - Pisa)
Adolescenti al tempo del virus 2'60"
by Vinicia Tesconi
(Cineclub Cineamatori Apuani)
La scuola in orbita 1'30"
by Laura Biggi
(Cineclub Cineamatori Apuani)
Settimo giorno capitale 1'30"
by Nicola Barsottelli
(Cineclub Crowvision)
Canto di Natale 1'30"
by Christian Lasquite
La regina degli scacchi 1'30"
by Andrea Platania e Gian Niccolò
Rabanera
*Hachiko: una storia d'amore
e d'amicizia* 1'30"
by Silvia Pace
Il vecchio e il mare 1'30"
by Alessandro Baù
Hosted by the Federazione Italiana
dei Cineclub
Public

16.30 – 18.00
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI
**XI Sorriso Diverso Venice
Award 2021**
Presented by: Diego Righini
(CEO, Dream On), Paola Tassone
(Art Director, TSN)
Guest Speaker: Sergio Iapino
(Director and Choreographer)
Best Italian Film
Best Foreign Film
**Career Award to Raffaella Carrà,
collected by Sergio Iapino**
Hosted by Dream On
Public

17.00 – 18.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
TERRAZZA DEI FIORI
Philippines / On The Job Cocktail
Hosted by FDCP
By invitation only

Online Market Screenings

12.30
Huyou Angle 29'
By All the teachers and students
from Shanghai Animation Film Studio
Lorisces s.r.l
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

14.00
**Il diritto alla felicità /
The Right to Happiness** 121'
by Claudio Rossi Massimi
RAI COM SPA
Gold, Trade and Online VPB
Accreditation only

Friday, September 10th

11.30 – 13.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI

FAI Foundation Collateral Award

Moderator and introduction:

Ludovico Ferro (Sociologist, Creator of the award and President of the jury)

Guest Speakers: Onofrio Rota (Secretary General Fai Cisl Nazionale), Vincenzo Conso (President Fondazione Fai Cisl Studi e Ricerche)

Screening:

Centootto 50'

by Bellasalma, Lipori, Paravati

Hosted by FAI Foundation

Pass holders and public

15.00 – 15.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SPAZIO INCONTRI

CENTOUNDICI. Donne e uomini per un sogno grandioso

Guest Speakers: Carlo Bonomi (President of Confindustria), Roberto Cicutto (President of La Biennale di Venezia), Luca Lucini (Director), Alessio Boni, Cristiana Capotondi, Giorgio Colangeli, Adriano Occulto (Actors).

Hosted by Confindustria

Press

15.30 – 16.30
HOTEL EXCELSIOR /
SALA STUCCHI

Press Conference CENTOUNDICI. Donne e uomini per un sogno grandioso

Guest Speakers: Carlo Bonomi (President of Confindustria), Roberto Cicutto (President of La Biennale di Venezia), Luca Lucini (Director), Alessio Boni, Cristiana Capotondi, Giorgio Colangeli, Adriano Occulto (Actors).

Hosted by Confindustria

Press

Venice Production Bridge Events and selected Projects

European Film Forum (7th edition)

September 6th

Behind the scenes of the screen industry: for an innovative and resilient industry

In association with the EU's Creative Europe MEDIA programme, La Biennale di Venezia will organise another edition of the European Film Forum that will gather key industry leaders from all over the world. Seizing the opportunity of celebrating the 78th anniversary of the Venice International Film Festival, and in light of the current challenging crisis, this event will be an opportunity to look into how the audiovisual industry has adapted to the new context and how it is reinventing itself. Cinema is bouncing back and reemerging stronger from the crisis, but what are the challenges and opportunities behind this recovery? This past year has also shown the importance of public policy, of coordination and of rapid response from public institutions – hence the EU Recovery and Resilience Facility will be in the spotlight. The facility aims at mitigating the economic and social impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, while enhancing resilience through promoting the green and digital transition in Europe. Measures targeting the support of the cultural and creative sectors will in turn have a stronger societal impact and help transform national and local economies.

The cultural and creative industries have innovated rapidly, experimenting cross-over between different cultural sectors and adapting themselves to new formats and models. Beyond the short-term heavy disruption, how can the current trends drive future innovation?

The event will be opened by Roberto Cicutto, President of La Biennale di Venezia, and by a high representative of the European Commission.

Venice Gap-Financing Market

September 3rd – 5th

The 8th edition of the **Venice Gap-Financing Market (September 3 – September 5, 2021)**, organised as part of the **Venice Production Bridge**, will be the **place where 57 selected European and International projects** will be presented to close their financing through one-to-one meetings with international decision-makers.

This event will be held in-person in the Sala Stucchi at the Excelsior Hotel of the Lido di Venezia.

Virtual one-to-one meetings, organised online with the projects attending in-person, will also be possible for those accredited professionals unable to travel to Venice this year.

The 3-day **Venice Gap-Financing Market** will present **57 projects** from around the world in the final stages of development and funding.

The **VGFM** is proud to present this year **30 Fiction and Documentary Projects** and **13 VR Immersive Story Projects**.

In addition to these **43 selected projects** and by working closely with the Festival and La Biennale di Venezia's training activities – **Biennale College Cinema & Virtual Reality** – we are honored to welcome the **11 VR Projects** developed this year by the 4th edition of the **Biennale College Cinema VR** and the **3 Fiction projects** developed by the 8th edition of the **Biennale College Cinema**.

Being part of our VPB Focus on the Netherlands, we are pleased to present 4 feature films and 2 VR projects which are produced or co-produced by Dutch producers.

We are thus particularly proud to highlight some of the projects from our previous editions which will be presented at the **78th Venice International Film Festival**, including *Captain Volkonogov Escaped* by **Natasha Merkulova** and *Aleksey Chupov* presented at the VGFM in 2020 and this year in the official competition. There are 5 titles in the Venice VR Expanded selection that previously participated at the VGFM, including *Goliath* by **Barry Gene Murphy** and *May Abdalla*, *Kusunda* by **Felix Gaedtke** and **Gayatri Parameswaran** and *Container* by **Meghna Singh** and **Simon Wood**. In the parallel section Giornate degli Autori, *Deserto Particular* by **Aly Muritiba**, which participated in the VGFM in 2018.

Already presented at Cannes 2021, were *Let There Be Morning* by **Eran Kolirin** in competition, *Medusa* by **Anita Rocha da Silveira** and *Re Granchio* by **Alessio Rigo de Righ** and **Matteo Zoppis** in the Quinzaine des Réalisateurs, as well as *Piccolo Corpo* by **Laura Samani** in the Semaine de la Critique.

With our constant wish to open the VGFM to all genres, to first-time directors as well as to established auteurs, to projects with diverse stories and different budgets coming from all over the world, with this edition we are happy to welcome the new fiction, animation and documentary projects of notable filmmakers such as **Martin Rejtman**, **Fien Troch**, **Wim Wenders**, **Albertina Carri**, **Thierno Souleymane Diallo**, **Youssef Chebbi**, **Jean-Gabriel Periot**, **Marjana Karanovic**, **Caroline Strubbe**, **Aditya Vikram Sengupta**, **Joaquin Cocina** and **Cristobal Leon**, **Erika Wasserman**, **Ana Cristina Barragan**, **Axel Petersen**, **Simon Jaquetmet**, to name but a few.

Among the VR Immersive Story Projects, we are excited to present the new projects of creators such as **Farah Shaer**, **Gorki Glaser-Muller**, **Celine Tricart**, **Jerome Blanquet**, **Poulomi Basu** and **CJ Clarke**, amongst many others.

We would like to express our deepest gratitude to **Creative Europe** and its **MEDIA** programme, for the continuous support they have been giving to the **VGFM** for 7 years now.

30 SELECTED FICTION AND DOCUMENTARY PROJECTS

Fiction Films: 23 projects for feature-length fiction films (10 from Europe and 13 international), that need to complete their funding package with minority shares in the co-production, having at least 70% of the funding in place.

Documentaries: **7 projects (2 from Europe and 5 international) for narrative or creative documentaries (fulfilling the same requirements as the fiction films above).**

- **¡Caigan las Rosas Blancas!** *fiction* (Argentina, Brasil, France) by **Albertina Carri**, Gentil Cine
- **A Rooster on the Fire Escape** *fiction* (France, Haiti) by **Guetty Felin**, Aldabra Films
- **Allah n'est pas obligé** *animation* (France, Luxembourg, Belgium, USA) by **Zaven Najjar**, Special Touch Studios
- **Året jag Började Onanera** *fiction* (Sweden) by **Erika Wasserman**, Gimme A Break, AB
- **Ashkal** (Tunisia, France, The Netherlands) by **Youssef Chebbi**, Supernova Films
- **Au Cimetière de la Pellicule** *doc* (France, Senegal, Guinea), by **Thierno Souleymane Diallo**, L'image d'après
- **Back to Alexandria** *fiction* (Switzerland) by **Tamer Ruggli**, Tipi'mages Productions
- **Birthmark** *fiction* (India, Luxembourg, Denmark, France, Norway) by **Aditya Vikram Sengupta**, For Films
- **Bufis** *fiction* (Kenya, Germany) by **Mahad Ahmed** and **Vincenzo Cavallo**, Cultural Video Production, Unafilm
- **Butiken** *fiction/animation* (Italy, Sweden, Norway) by **Hanna Sköld**, Indyca
- **El Repartidor está en camino** *documentary* (Argentina, Portugal), by **Martín Rejtman**, Un Puma
- **Electric child** *fiction* (Switzerland, Germany) by **Simon Jaquetmet**, 8horses GmbH
- **Facing Darkness** *doc* (France, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Switzerland, Germany) by **Jean-Gabriel Periot**, Alter Ego Production
- **Floating** *fiction* (The Netherlands, Belgium) by **Quirine Racké and Helena Muskens**, Family Affair Films
- **Halissa** *fiction* (Israel) by **Sophie Artus**, Deadline Production, July August Productions
- **Holly** *fiction* (Belgium, The Netherlands, France) by **Fien Troch**, Prime Time
- **Kabul Melody** *doc* (Afghanistan, France) by **Sarah Mani**, Afghanistan Dochhouse
- **Kipkemboi** *fiction* (Canada, Kenya) by **Hubert Davis**, New Real Films
- **La Piel Pulpo** *fiction* (Ecuador, Mexico, Greece, Germany) by **Ana Cristina Barragán**, Caleidoscopio Cine
- **Los Angeles** *fiction/animation* (Chile) by **Joaquin Cocña** and **Cristóbal León**, Globo Rojo Films
- **Los Colonos** *fiction* (Chile, France, Denmark, Argentina) by **Felipe Gálvez**, Quijote Films
- **Majka Mara** *fiction* (Serbia, Luxembourg, Slovenia, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina) by **Mirjana Karanovic**, This and That Productions
- **Non Morirò di Fame** *fiction* (Italy, Poland) by **Umberto Spinazzola**, La Sarraz Pictures

- **Pamfir** *fiction* (Ukraine, France, Poland, Chile) by **Dmytro Sukholytkyy-Sobchuk**, Bosonfilm
- **Plan 75** *fiction* (Japan, France, The Philippines) by **Chie Hayakawa**, Loaded Films Ltd.
- **Sem Coração** *fiction* (Brazil, France, Germany) by **Nara Normande** and **Tiã**, Les Valseurs
- **Shenren Zhi Jia** *doc* (Taiwan, France) by **Elvis A-Liang Lu**, Volos Films Ltd.
- **The Life and Times of Omar Sharif (Working Title)** *doc* (Sweden, Egypt, United Kingdom) by **Axel Petersén** and **Mark Lotfy**, Fedra
- **The Secret of Places** *doc* (Germany, Switzerland, Norway) by **Wim Wenders**, Road Movies
- **The silent treatment** *fiction* (Belgium, The Netherlands, Hungary) by **Caroline Strubbe**, Minds Meet

13 VIRTUAL REALITY IMMERSIVE STORY PROJECTS:

13 VR Immersive Reality Story projects (10 from Europe and 3 international), including fiction, documentary, animation film and other interactive installation based experiences. The projects include both original concept and adaptations. All projects have secured 30% of their budget and have this financing in place.

- **Abandon** (Lebanon, Egypt, Qatar) by **Farah Shaer**, Fig Leaf Studios
- **Anon VR** (Germany) by **Jan Lachauer** and **Clarens Grollmann**, K5 Factory GmbH
- **Blood Speaks: Maya – The Birth of a Superhero** (United Kingdom, France) by **Poulomi Basu** and **CJ Clarke**, Just Another Production Company, Floréal Films
- **Buried in the Rock (Series: Extraordinary People Extraordinary Places)** (United Kingdom) by **Shehani Fernando**, ScanLAB Projects
- **Café Glaser-Müller** (Sweden, The Netherlands) by **Gorki Glaser-Müller**, GGM Film
- **Confident** (France) by **Jérôme Blanquet** and **Bertrand Jeandel**, Maneki Films, Wise Bird
- **Empereur** (France) by **Marion Burger** and **Ilan Cohen**, ATLAS V
- **Escape** (Italy, Portugal) by **Rossella Schillaci**, MyBoss srl
- **Fight Back VR** (France, USA) by **Céline Tricart**, Red Corner, Lucid Dreams
- **Knight of the Wailing Stars** (France, Russia, Italy) by **Denis Semionov**, VrrOOm
- **Shepherd** (USA, Canada) by **Eric Darnell**, Baobab Studios, Dark Slope
- **Symbiosis** (The Netherlands) by **Marcel van Brakel** and **Mark Meeuwenoord**, Studio Biarritz, Polymorf
- **Winterover** (Canada, Israel) by **Ido Mizrahy** and **Nir Saar**, Holy City VR

11 BIENNALE COLLEGE CINEMA – VIRTUAL REALITY PROJECTS: 11 projects, that have been developed during the workshop of Biennale College Cinema VR, 5th edition, and that have reached different stages of development, pre-production and post-production.

- **Duchampiana VR** (France) by **Lilian Hess**, Tchikiboum
- **Gullivr** (Brazil) by **Ricardo Karman**, Delirium XR
- **Highlife VR** (Czech Republic, France) by **Tomáš Koucký**, Oldrich Company
- **Human Violins** (Romania) by **Ioana Mischie**, Storyscapes, Studioset
- **Math is Weird** (Italy, United Kingdom) by **Ana Corrie**, Associazione Museo Nazionale del Cinema
- **Origen** (Argentina, Colombia) by **Emilia Sánchez Chiquetti**, Proyectil
- **Senza Freni** by **Matteo Nicoletta** and **Daniele Grasseti** (Italy), d'Aria SRL
- **Tales of the March** (Germany, Italy) by **Stefano Casertano**, Daring House
- **The Broom** (Israel) by **Nim Shapira**, Nim Shapira
- **Los Ojos of Mila Kaos** (Spain, France, USA) by **Yimit Ramírez**, Free Hundred Media
- **The Last Party VR** (Italy) by **Alberto Caffarelli** and **Paololuca Barbieri Marchi**, NOS Visual Arts Production

3 BIENNALE COLLEGE CINEMA PROJECTS:

3 projects, that have been developed during the first workshop of Biennale College Cinema, 9th edition, and that have reached different stages of development and pre-production.

- **A Mutual Gift** (Italy) by **Gianclaudio Cappai** and **Pilar Perrotta**, Palosanto Films SRL
- **Madame Negritude** (USA) by **Madeleine Hunt-Ehrlich**, Madame Negritude LLC
- **La Extranjera** (Spain, Serbia, France, Cuba) by **Patricia Pérez Fernández**, Free Hundred Media

The new **Book of Projects** that gathers all the details of the selected projects for this year edition of VENICE GAP-FINANCING MARKET is already available on the section 'VPB Programme 2021/ Downloads' of the Venice Production Bridge Website at the following link: veniceproductionbridge.org/vpb-programme-2021/downloads

Final Cut in Venice

September 5th – 7th

The 9th edition of the **Final Cut in Venice workshop (September 5 – September 7, 2021)** will present a limited number of **quality work-in-progress films coming from all African countries and 5 Middle East countries (Iraq, Jordan, Palestine, Syria and Lebanon)** and will give them the opportunity of finding the post-production financing through our supporters and the participants.

The workshop will consist in three days of activities, in which the working copies of a maximum of six selected films are introduced to producers, buyers, distributors, post-production companies and film festival programmers.

The first two days of the workshop (September 5th and 6th) will be devoted to the screenings, which will be held in Sala Pasinetti at Palazzo del Cinema and streamed online via VPB website (veniceproductionbridge.org).

The meetings between professionals attending the Venice Production Bridge and the representatives of the projects will be organized both on-site in the Foyer at Hotel Excelsior and online on the third day, September 7th.

The 6 work in progress films selected are:

FICTION

- **Under the Fig Trees** (Tunisia, Qatar, Switzerland, France) by Erige Sehiri, Henia Production
- **Mami Wata** (Nigeria, France) by C.J. "Fiery" Obasi, Fiery Film Company
- **Hanging Gardens** (Iraq, Palestine, United Kingdom) by Ahmed Yassin Al Daradji, *Ishtar Iraq Film Production*

DOCUMENTARY

- **The Mother of All Lies** (Morocco, Germany, Qatar) by Asmae El Moudir
- **We, Students!** (Central African Republic, France, Democratic Republic of Congo, Italy) by Rafiki Fariala, *Makongo Films*
- **The Nights Still Smell of Gunpowder** (Mozambique, Germany, France, Norway, The Netherlands, Portugal) by Inadelso Cossa, 16mmFILMES

The workshop will conclude with the awarding of prizes, in kind or in cash, for the financial support of the films in their post-production phase.

For the fifth year La Biennale di Venezia will give a prize of € 5,000 for the best film in post-production. The **La Biennale di Venezia Prize** will be attributed by a jury composed of three members named by the Festival Director, while the other prizes will be awarded by final and irrevocable decision of the Festival Director, in conjunction with the project supporters, the heads of the institutions, and the service companies providing the prizes. The other prizes will be confirmed and communicated later, based upon availability of the subjects and supporters involved.

€ 15,000 for the color correction of a feature-length film, offered by **Laser Film** (Rome) for up to 50 hours of work (technician included); up to € 15,000 offered by **Mactari Mixing Auditorium** (Paris) for the sound mixing of a feature length film (up to 12 days of work, sound re-recording mixer not included).

One of the selected projects will benefit from the film composers represented by **OTICONS** and the original score that they will create. The production of the original score will include all relevant services, such as spotting sessions/composition/orchestration/mockups/final production, of a total value of €12,000.

For feature fiction projects an MG of \$10,000 or for feature documentary projects an MG of \$3,000 for marketing, publicity and distribution in the Arab World for one Arab project, offered by **MAD Solutions** (except for projects already attached to MAD Solutions).

Up to € 5,000 for color-grading; up to € 3,000 for the production of a DCP master, i-Tunes, Google or Netflix files; up to € 2,000 for French or English subtitles (translation not included), offered by **Titra Film** (Paris).

Up to € 7,000 for the production of the DCP master and Italian or English subtitles, offered by **Sub-Ti Ltd.** (London).

Up to € 7,000 for the accessible contents of the film for audiences with sensory disabilities: subtitles for the deaf and hearing impaired and audio description for the blind and visually impaired, with audio subtitles, in Italian or English, offered by **Sub-Ti Access Srl** (Turin). The SDH file and the audio described soundtrack for DCP will be provided.

€ 5,000 for the purchase of two-year broadcasting rights by **Rai Cinema**.

\$ 5,000 awarded to one of the Arab projects and an invitation to participate in the industry platform CineGouna offered by the **EI Gouna Film Festival**.

€ 5,000 offered by the **Organisation Internationale de la Francophonie (OIF)** to an African or Arab film from a member-country of La Francophonie.

Prize "Coup de cœur de la Cinémathèque Afrique", offered by **Cinémathèque Afrique of the Institut Français** (Paris). The prize consists of the acquisition of the non commercial and non exclusive broadcasting rights for 7 years with a value of € 4,000 – 6,000 depending on the genre, length and available territories of the film.

Participation in the production costs of a DCP (€ 2,500), offered by the **Festival International du Film d'Amiens**.

Participation in the production costs of a DCP (€ 2,500), offered by the **Festival International de Films de Fribourg**.

One of the selected films will have the possibility to benefit from the **Eye on Films label**, that will present the film to distributors and festivals affiliated to EoF and will contribute to the communication of the film for a value of € 2,500 during its world premiere in an A-category festival.

The new brochure that gathers all the details of the selected projects for this year edition of FINAL CUT IN VENICE is already available on the section 'VPB Programme 2021/ Downloads' of the Venice Production Bridge Website at the following link:

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Book Adaptation Rights Market

September 3rd – 5th

The 6th edition of the Book Adaptation Rights Market

(September 3 - September 5, 2021) will take place in-person in the Sala Stucchi at the Excelsior Hotel on the Lido di Venezia and online through the Venice Production Bridge website (veniceproductionbridge.org).

As of today, the **Book Adaptation Rights Market** will offer 26 selected, international publishing houses and literary agencies a dedicated area within the **Venice Production Bridge** and the possibility for one-to-one meetings between publishers and producers. The meetings will allow to foster lasting relationships and to make deals on the adaptation of novels, drama, children's literature, short stories, comics, graphic novels, essays, biographies.

The **Book Adaptation Rights Market** will enable the invited publishers to propose their entire catalogue for film adaptation, rather than focusing on a single book, as opposed to other events dedicated to publishing within the context of film festivals.

As of today, the 26 publishers and literary agents invited to this year event of the **Book Adaptation Rights Market** are:

Actes Sud (France)

Andrew Nurnberg Associates (United Kingdom)

De Bezige Bij (The Netherlands)

DeA Planeta Libri (Italy)

Diogenes Verlag (Switzerland)

Éditions de l'Homme Sans Nom (France)

Editis (France)

Editorial Anagrama (Spain)

Editorial Planeta (Spain)

Elisabeth Ruge Agentur GmbH (Germany)

Feltrinelli Editore (Italy)

Giulio Einaudi Editore (Italy)

Grandi e Associati (Italy)

Gruppo Editoriale Mauri Spagnol (Italy)

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Michael Gaeb Literary Agency (Germany)

Mondadori Libri (Italy)

Northern Stories Literary Agency (Norway)

Robert Laffont (France)

Sellerio (Italy)

Singel Uitgeverijen (Netherlands)

Sperling & Kupfer – Piemme – Mondadori Ragazzi (Italy)

Suhrkamp Verlag (Germany)

Tunué (Italy)

Ullstein Buchverlage GmbH (Germany)

Ever since its first edition during the 73rd Venice International Film Festival, the **Book Adaptation Rights Market** has met with great success as proven by the publishers' requests to participate again in this event as well as by a growing demand from the producers looking for original intellectual properties (IP).

Virtual one-to-one meetings organised online with the publishers attending in-person will also be possible for those accredited professionals unable to travel to Venice.

The new brochure that gathers all the details of the details of the invited publishers and literary agents for this year edition of the BOOK ADAPTATION RIGHTS MARKET is already available on the section 'VPB Programme 2021/ Downloads' of the Venice Production Bridge Website at the following link:

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VOD Market Days

September 5th – 6th

On September 5th from 2.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. the Venice Production Bridge and EUROVOD will organize the 2nd edition of the VOD Market days including a panel tackling the state of VOD nowadays at the Hotel Excelsior, Spazio Incontri and streamed on the VPB Live Channel (veniceproductionbridge.org/vpb-programme-2021/vpb-live-channel), while on the 6th from 9.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m around **20 European VOD platforms** and companies attending the European VOD Meetings will be able to propose their services to international distributors, rights holders and AV professionals through in-person and online one-to-one meetings. In order to book the meetings a reserved area *VOD Market Days* will be available to Industry delegates (Gold, Trade and Online VPB) on the website.

Biennale College Cinema

The **78th Venice International Film Festival** will screen **six feature films selected, developed and produced at Biennale College – Cinema**, a laboratory for advanced training dedicated to the production of micro budget features. The programme was created by La Biennale di Venezia in 2012 and is open to first and second time filmmakers from all over the world.

Two films selected for the production grant during the past 8th edition, are presented this year due to a stop in production caused by the pandemic in 2020:

La Santa Piccola by Silvia Brunelli, producers: Francesca Maria Scanu, Valentina Quarantini with Francesco Pellegrino, Vincenzo Antonucci, Sophia Guastaferrò, Pina Di Gennaro, Gianfelice Imperato, Alessandra Mantice, Sara Ricci, Carlo Gertrude / Italy / 97'

Mon Père, Le Diable by Ellie Foubi, producers: Ellie Foubi, Joseph Mastantuono with Babetida Sadjo, Souleymane Sy Savané, Jennifer Tchiakpe, Franck Saurel, Martine Amisse / USA / 107'

The films selected and produced during the 9th edition 2020 – 2021 are:
Al Oriente by José María Avilés, producer: Julieta Juncadella, with Alejandro Espinosa, Paulet Arévalo, Santiago Villacís, Oliver Utne / Ecuador / 100'

La Tana by Beatrice Baldacci, producers: Andrea Gori, Aurora Alma Bartiromo with Irene Vetere, Lorenzo Aloï, Hélène Nardini, / Italy / 88'

Nuestros Días más Felices by Sol Berruezo Pichon-Rivière, producer: Laura Mara Tablón, with Matilde Creimer Chiabrandó, Lide Uranga, Antonella Saldicco, Cristián Jensen, Claudio Martínez Bel, / Argentine / 100'

The Cathedral by Ricky D'Ambrose, producer: Graham Swon, with Brian d'Arcy James, Monica Barbaro, Mark Zeisler, Geraldine Singer, William Bednar-Carter / USA / 87'

With this 9th edition BCC is celebrating the thirty films made thanks to its formula, which allows people to conceive, develop, produce and present a feature film at the Venice Film Festival. Since the 6th edition it follows two paths: one specifically addressed to Italian filmmakers and one for international participants. The selected teams from the two calls proceed on the same path from October onwards.

Biennale College – Cinema is organized by **La Biennale di Venezia** and supported by the **Ministry of Culture – Cinema Head Office**. Academic collaboration is provided by **The Gotham Film & Media Institute** in **New York** and **TorinoFilmLab**. Starting from 2017, **Biennale College – Cinema** had received a contribution from **Eurimages**, thanks to its Gender Equality action, to cover the travel, accommodation, and training expenses for a female director (**Eurimages Residency Grant**). This year, the recipient is Patricia Pérez Fernández (Spain), the director of the film "*La extranjera*".

Biennale College Cinema has further supported the project by promoting its participation in the **Venice Gap Financing Market**.

For the fifth year, **Biennale College – Cinema** includes a **Virtual Reality** section that has developed VR projects following the same scheme to act as an incubator for projects in this medium. Awarded with the 60.000 € grant and presented in the Venice VR section this year

Lavrynthos by Amir Admoni, Fabito Rychter, producer: Fabito Rychter, with Alice Braga, Louis Ozawa / Brazil, Peru / 16'

Training activities of Biennale College Cinema – Virtual Reality are supported by **Creative Europe – Media**.

Alberto Barbera is the Director, **Savina Neirotti** is the Head of Programme.

Join the VPB Website

Discover the Venice Production Bridge website (veniceproductionbridge.org), the online tool that allows you to always keep up with the events happening during the Venice Production Bridge days: check the news, consult the programme and the locations of the Venice International Film Festival. If you have an Industry Gold, Trade and Online VPB Accreditation you can access the restricted areas where you can book your meetings with the producers and publishers attending the Venice Gap-Financing Market, the Book Adaptation Rights Market and the Final Cut in Venice, consult the online Industry Guide containing all Gold, Trade and Online VPB delegates attending the Venice International Film Festival, Digital Video Library, the Online VPB Market Screenings, leave a comment on the dashboard to stay in touch with other industry professionals.

HOW TO LOGIN:

Go to veniceproductionbridge.org and enter the username and password received via e-mail.

The platform includes:

Home: This is an area focused on important updates and events.

VPB Programme: Here you will be able to find all of information and updates of what is going on at the Venice Production Bridge 2021. The Programme has 5 subsections:

Programme: All events that are part of the Venice Production Bridge programme will be published in the programme. A timeline in the homepage will give a dynamic overview of all the scheduled events. Every event is marked and a tooltip gives a description of it.

News: Updates of events and deadlines for submissions.

Downloads: This area contains the Venice Production Bridge publications such as the VGFM Book of Projects, the Book Adaptation Rights Market brochure, the Final Cut in Venice brochure and the Venice Production Bridge Programme and Market Screenings Schedule.

Locations: Check all the information on the exclusive locations of the Venice International Film Festival and of the Venice Production Bridge.

VPB Live Channel: The place to stream panels and podium discussions in real time taking place at the Spazio Incontri (Hotel Excelsior). Usually registrations of panels will be made available within 24 hours. Panels of past editions of the VPB can also be found here.

Industry Guide: This area, reserved to all Gold, Trade and Online VPB Accreditation only, contains the profiles of all Industry professionals and companies attending the Venice International Film Festival. Visit the profiles and get in touch with them, to set up meetings and share ideas.

Book Adaptation Rights Market, Final Cut in Venice, Venice

Gap-Financing Market: These areas, reserved to all Gold, Trade and Online VPB Accreditation only, allows to book meetings with the projects and publishers attending this year's edition of the Venice Production Bridge.

VOD Market Day: This area, reserved to all Gold, Trade and Online VPB Accreditation only, allows to book meetings with the VOD Platforms attending this year's edition of the Venice Production Bridge.

Online VPB Market Screenings: Here you will be able to consult all the titles available in the Market Screening Catalogue, accessible through the B2B online platform for film professionals worldwide, Festival Scope Pro (pro.festivalscope.com).

Digital Video Library: Here you will be able to consult all the titles available in the Digital Video Library, accessible through the B2B online platform for film professionals worldwide, Festival Scope Pro (pro.festivalscope.com).

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