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Six innovative and artistically convincing documentary concepts were selected for the German-Czech documentary film project „Breathless“ by an international selection committee. The joint project was created by Zipp German-Czech Cultural Projects, an initiative of the German Federal Cultural Foundation, and is managed by DOK Leipzig and the Institute of Documentary Film (IDF) in Prague. The aim of the bilateral cultural programme is to connect filmmakers from both countries, to support outstandingly creative, experimental and courageous documentary film concepts and to address socially relevant issues.

The selected film projects (working titles)

- “Diary of Grandmother Nemcova Jr.” by Jan Gogola (Czech Republic)
- “Discovering The Slowness” by Anca Miruna Lazarescu (Germany)
- “Milltown, Montana” by Rainer Komers (Germany)
- “The Phantom of Liberty II” by Karel Zalud (Czech Republic)
- “Time's Up - An Experiment in Time-Management” by Jan Peters and Marie-Catherine Theiler (Germany)
- “Travelling with the Dead” by Margareta Hruza (Czech Republic)

Apart from a basic financing, the three Czech and three German filmmakers will receive support during the project development from experienced international mentors and producers. The completed films will have their premiere in autumn 2009 at DOK Leipzig and the International Documentary Film Festival in Jihlava. An international theatrical and DVD distribution is also planned.

Together with the support of the delegate producers, the individual projects will now pass into the concrete development stage. Another workshop on postproduction and distribution is planned for next year. More information on the documentary film project „Breathless“, on the selected film ideas and the filmmakers can be found at our website www.dok-leipzig.de.

- Initiators:** Zipp-German-Czech Cultural Projects, an initiative of the German Federal Cultural Foundation, DOK Leipzig, IDF - Institute of Documentary Film/Prague.
- Supporters:** German-Czech Future Fund, Ministry of Culture/Czech Republic
- Partner:** International Documentary Film Festival Jihlava

+++ DOK Industry - CALL FOR ENTRY 4th International DOK Leipzig Co-Production Meeting

DOK Leipzig invites producers from Germany, Central and Eastern Europe, Israel and member

countries of cine regio to join the 4th International DOK Leipzig Co-production Meeting from 29-30 October 2008. Cine Regio is a network of regional film funds in Europe. The Meeting aims for crosslinking european producers, to deepen their knowledge of the partner markets and to find financing opportunities for new ambitious documentary film projects. The DOK Leipzig Co-Production Meeting focuses on feature-length documentaries for Cinema and Television.

Within the two-day Co-Production Meeting experts from the above mentioned countries will introduce their markets and relevant documentary TV-slots, funding opportunities and legal regulation for Co-Productions.

We are looking for producers who

- have projects in development, which are suitable for international co-productions
- have gained sufficient experience in order to work internationally
- have already secured a part of the financing for their project/s

Application deadline: 20th of August 2008

Read more at www.dok-leipzig.de

The 4th International DOK Leipzig Co-Production Meeting is organised in co-operation with the EDN (European Documentray Network), the IDF (Institute of Documentary Film, Czech Republic), the Dragon Forum (Poland), Cine Regio, the IDFF (The Israeli Documentary Filmmakers Forum), CoPro ([Israeli Forum for International Documentary CoProductions](#)) and ag.dok (The German Documentary Filmmakers Association).

With the support of the MEDIA Programme of the European Union, Mitteldeutsche Medienförderung (MDM), the Minister of State in the Federal Chancellery and Commissioner for Cultural and Media Affairs (BKM) and the German Federal Film Board (FFA).

+++ Inside DOK Leipzig - New team members, new challenges

Christine Hille who has worked as documentary producer for years is the new DOK Industry coordinator of DOK Leipzig. She is the successor of Ann-Carolin Renninger and your contact for all questions regarding the extensive industry offers of DOK Leipzig. Contact: Tel.: +49 341 308 64 27 or <hille@dok-leipzig.de>

Dr. Grit Lemke, long-time collaborator of DOK Leipzig and member of the documentary selection committee since 2004, has been appointed documentary programmer. She takes care of screening new productions, scouting films at international festivals and staying in touch with filmmakers and producers. Contact: <grit-lemke@gmx.de>

Steffen Schmidt will be responsible for finances at DOK Leipzig as of August 1, 2008

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