



European Audiovisual Entrepreneurs

EAVE Producers Workshop 2009 kicks off in Luxembourg

As every year, the EAVE Producers Workshop has its annual launch in the Grand Duchy in partnership with the **Film Fund Luxembourg**. For this year's workshop 1, we are delighted to welcome **52 producers from 27 countries from March, 6-13** in the Hilton Hotel.

We are particularly pleased to welcome in the first time of EAVE's history **participants from Armenia, Georgia and the Ukraine** thanks to the generous support from the Robert Bosch Stiftung offering scholarships to these professionals.

The **2009 EAVE pedagogical team** is composed of EAVE **CEO/Head of Studies Alan Fountain** (UK), the **four group leaders** (all active, experienced producers), **Diana Elbaum** (Entre Chien et Loup, B), **Lise Lense-Møller** (Magic Hour Films, DK), **Danijel Hocevar** (emotionfilm, SI), **Peter Rommel** (Rommel Film, D); the **script consultants** **Clare Downs** (Forever Films, UK), **Jacques Akchoti** (F), **Martin Daniel** (USA), and **documentary expert** **Sylvia Stevens** (Faction Films, UK). They are supported by the **specialized experts** for **Pitching**: **Sibylle Kurz** (D), **Finance**: **Linda Beath** (Ideal Filmworks, I), **Marketing**: **John Durie** (Strategic Film Marketing, UK) and **Legal Issues**: **Peter Dally** (Bird&Bird, UK), who share their expertise in plenary and group work sessions and individual meetings with the EAVE participants.

Individual meetings with the script analysts, case studies on international co-productions, a special session dedicated to documentary film production and panels will complement the schedule:

Romanian producer and EAVE 2008 graduate Tudor Giurgiu (Libra Film, RO) will give insight into the production process of Romanian-Hungarian-UK co-production **KATALIN VARGA** that was awarded a Silver Bear for outstanding artistic contribution in Berlin this year.

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EAVE group leader Lise Lense-Møller will present a case study and analysis of the structure of the multi awarded **BURMA VJ - REPORTING FROM A CLOSED COUNTRY** (Movies that Matter award and Joris Ivens Award at IDFA 2008 and Best Documentary at the Danish Oscars 2008 - sales: **EAVE 1994 graduate Esther van Messel**, First Hand Films).

In addition, **Thibaut Bracq** will present in a special session **PARIS PROJECT**, the co-production platform for international projects looking for French partners. In the framework EAVE's partnership with **PARIS PROJECT**, 2 EAVE projects of the current year are selected every year to take part in **PARIS PROJECT**.

Last but by no means least, the managing director of Film Fund Luxembourg, **Guy Daleiden**, together with **EAVE president and 1992 graduate Jani Thiltges** (Samsa Film, L) will introduce the Luxembourg Tax Scheme and film production aspects of Luxembourg. EAVE is very proud to realize this first workshop in partnership with the Film Fund Luxembourg for the fifth year now.

EAVE expresses special gratitude for the support of Workshop 1 to:

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