

## Communiqué de presse, Cannes #3

## Cine-Regio elects new board & chairman

At Cine-Regio's 6<sup>th</sup> General Assembly during the 64th Festival de Cannes three new board members were elected and a new chairman announced.

The three new board members elected for a two-year term until May 2013:

FILAS / Mr. Alberto Pasquale (Italy)
Film i Väst / Mrs. Katarina Krave (Sweden)
Mitteldeutsche Medienförderung / Mr. Manfred Schmidt (Germany)

The board consists of six member organisations. Elected until May 2012:

West Danish Film Fund/ Mr. Søren Poulsen (Denmark) CRRAV – Region Nord Pas de Calais / Mr. Vincent Leclercq (France) Wallimage / Mr. Philippe Reynaert (Belgium)

**New chairman May 2011-May 2012**: Wallimage / Mr. Philippe Reynaert (Belgium)

Charlotte Appelgren, General Secretary of Cine-Regio: "It is with great pleasure that Mr Philippe Reynaert has taken on the duty as chairman of Cine-Regio once again. Mr Philippe Reynaert has extensive experience in establishing and operating a successful & innovative regional film fund. Such competencies are of high value when Cine-Regio over the next 12 month will be implementing its new strategy where our vision is to strengthen the identity of the European regions in a global context." Charlotte Appelgren continues: "Global development without regional development is not sustainable and with the announcement of Mr. Philippe Reynaet Cine-Regio will continue its aim to become the leading Forum for regional audiovisual agencies."

Cine-Regio was established in May 2005 as an independent non-profit association. The members exhibit a range of support schemes and services to the film sector. The network is continuously expanding and today counts **37 regional film funds from 16 countries in Europe**, representing in total 158.000.000 euro per year in film support.

At the 64th Festival de Cannes 22 films in the official & sidebar sections have been supported by Cine-Regio members. This state the importance of the work of Cine-Regio that acts as a lobby and network organisation encouraging cross-border and interregional cooperation and co-productions.

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