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BOOSTING DOCUMENTARIES FOR YOUNG AUDIENCES D4K announces a new training for children's documentary filmmakers

Filmmakers can now apply to a **newly launched European training** focused on the creation of **children's documentaries**. In the framework of the **D4K-Docs For Kids Alliance**, the **IDFA-International Documentary Film Festival Amsterdam (NL)** and **DOXS RUHR (DE)** – documentary festival for young audiences, in cooperation with **Forum für Kultur und Bildung Leipzig (DE)**, have developed a pilot edition of a training initiative for documentary filmmakers. Taking place in Amsterdam **from November 17th - 21st**, the program is aimed at directors and producers who are passionate about creative documentaries for children.

The training is open to twelve participants from **Flanders, Germany and Poland**. Furthermore, three **Dutch** filmmakers will join the programme.

Successful applicants will receive **specialised training in creating children's documentaries** through **screenings, workshops and personal tutoring** at the **Goethe-Institute Amsterdam**. The program also includes **free accommodation, travel costs and free entry to selected IDFA industry events**.

Focusing on networking, inspiration and project development, the collaborating partners aim to **encourage international co-productions, mutual exchange** and to **strengthen collaborative working ties and boost the children's creative documentary sector** as a whole.

Directors and producers can apply **3rd of July until 15th of August**. For more information on the application, please visit www.doxs-ruhr.de/projekte/d4k-training/

D4K is a working group launched by: Associazione Italiana Amici Cinema d'Essai (IT), Documentary Association Europe (DE), DOXS RUHR (DE), European Children's Film Association (BE), Förderverein Deutscher Kinderfilm (DE), International Documentary Film Festival Amsterdam (NL), Kids Regio/ Golden Sparrow Festival (DE), Let's Doc/ Andrzej Wajda Center for Film Culture (PL), Young Horizons (PL)

Forum für Kultur und Bildung is a non-profit organization based in Leipzig, Germany, with longstanding expertise in media education and cultural projects for young audiences, that foster creativity, critical thinking, and intercultural dialogue. In cooperation with the Saxon Ministry of Education, it runs "film ab! – Saxon Film Festival for Children and Youth", which invites students to create and present their own films as well as explore digital film education through workshops.

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