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#### Films the Children miss in many Countries:

# **The Festival Hits for** Children 2002/2003

Every year we find a few outstanding films for children that most of the professionals in children's film culture - and most of the children who had the opportunity to see them as well - regard as masterpieces. These films, in many cases European (to be more exact: Scandinavian) productions, are screened at almost every children's film festival around the world and receive many awards. But in most European countries they will never be shown in the theatres or on TV.

Some of the year's examples were Scars by Lars Berg (Norway), Catch that Girl by Hans Fabian Wullenweber (Denmark), Send More Candy by Cecilia Holbeck-Trier (Denmark), Tinke - Little Big Girl by Morten Koehlert (DK) or You Are Free by Mohammad Ali Talebi (Iran).

To give more children in Europe the chance to see these films we want to draw the attention of distributors and TV-programmers once more to these films - and to the best of those that just appeared at the Berlin Festival, Wallah Be by Pia Bovin (DK), Elina - As if I wasn't There by Klaus Härö (Sweden/Finland) or Jannik Hastrup's The Boy Who Wanted to be a Bear (DK/ France). The fact that it is possible to distribute these films successfully, German arthouse distributor MFA-Film just proved with Catch that Girl: Congratulations to more than 100.000 admissions until now!

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#### **ECFA's General Assembly in Berlin:**

# **New ECFA-Board elected**



ECFA's General Assembly during the Berlin Film Festival 2003: Mia Lindrup, Norway, (left) has been elected as ECFA's new president. Felix Vanginderhuysen, Brussels, General Secretary, and Eva Schwarzwald, President of ECFA in the years 2001 until 2003. See page 5 for more information.

# Dear Readers of ECFA-Journal,

On our website www.ecfaweb.org we want to help all who want to buy or sell films for children to find the best partners in the various European countries. Therefore we offer information on high quality films, give summaries to each of them, add comments, if possible also written by children and collect boxoffice results, marketing ideas or other useful information. And there are - as far as we know - the contacts to international sales agents, distributors and TV-stations who are dealing with the films in the different countries. Meanwhile we have collected datas on more than 200 films from 1995 on, and have about 400 addresses of distributors. sales agents and TV-stations.

Meanwhile our colleagues from Europa Cinemas started something similar: A huge database with distribution contacts for all kinds of films. Something which is especially valuable when you look for classics etc. So if you want to find a film you can also check at

www.europa-cinemas.org/frames/

But what's the difference: ECFA is a rather small organisation without any subsidies. Therefore we concentrate on films for children with a certain level of quality. We offer qualified and brand new information on these films as soon as they appear, for example at some festivals. Maybe we can start some cooperation to avoid to do the same work twice.

By the way: ECFA-Journal has a new postal address for all of you who send their materials on paper. See page 6.

#### The News Section: Films. Festivals. Prizes

17th International Children's Film Festival Isfahan/Iran:

Best feature film & CIFEJ-Prize: "25 Kids and One Dad" by Huang

Hong, China 2001

Best short film: "War Gane" by Alosin

Gentleman, UK 2002 Best feature film direction: "The Olsen Gang Junior" by Peter

Flinth, Denmark 2001

Best short film direction: "Three Goats" by Marja Pallassaio, Finland 2002

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#### **Internationales Filmwochenende Würzburg/Germany:**

Children's Film Prize: "Little Big Girl" by Mørten Koehlert, Denmark 2002

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#### Int. Filmfestival Berlin, Children's Film Festival, February 6th to 16th

**Professional's Jury:** 

**Grand Prix for Best Feature Film:** "Wallah Be" by Pia Bovin, DK 2002 Special mentions: "Elina - As if I wasn't there" by Klaus Härö, Sweden/Finland 2002, and "The Boy who wanted to be a Bear" by Jannik Hastrup,

Denmark/France 2002

Best short film: "Pipsqueak Prince" by Zoia Trofimova, France 2002 Special mentions: "Houndini's Hound"

by Sara Johnsen, Norway 2002

#### Children's Jury:

Crystal Bear for the Best Feature Film: "Elina - As if I wasn't there" Special mentions: "Miss Entebbe" by Omri Levy, Israel 2002, and "Carol's Journey" by Imanol Uribe, Spain/Portugal 2002 Crystal Bear for the Best Short Film: "Pipsqueak Prince" Special Mention: "Birju" by Heeraz Marfatia, USA/India 2002

Contact: Internat. Filmfestival Berlin Children's Film Festival **Thomas Hailer** 

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# The Festival Hits for Children 2002/2003

The Boy who wanted to be a Bear

Animation, Denmark/France 2002 Jannik Hastrup

Production: Tegnefilm 2, AnimagicNet,

Les Amateurs

Festivals: Sandnes 2002, Berlin 2003 (Special Mention), Antwerp 2003 World Sales: France TV Distribution, Cinema Claudia Rae-Colombani

> "Le Barjac" 1. Blvd. F-75015 Paris ++33-1-44250162 ++33-1-44250195

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#### Catch that Girl

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Feature Film, Denmark 2002

Director: Hans Fabian Wullenweber Production: Nimbus Films, Zentropa, Sandrew Metronome, TV 2 Denmark, Memfis Film, Christiania Film

Festivals: Berlin 2002, Malmö 2002, Stockholm Jun. 2002, Kristiansand 2002 (awarded), Zlin 2002, Giffoni 2002 (awarded), Buster Copenhagen 2002, Sandnes 2002, Cinekid Amsterdam (Audience Award), Chicago 2002 (awarded), Cinepaenz Cologne 2002 (awarded), Oulu '02 (children's jury award), Antwerp 2003

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#### Elina - As if I wasn't There

Feature Film, Sweden/Finland 2002

Director: **Ulf Malmros** 

Production: Filmlance Int. AB, Stockholm Kinoproduction Oy, Helsinki

Festivals: Lübeck 2002 (Special mention of German children's films clubs), Berlin 2003 (Crystal Bear: Children's Jury Award), Antwerp 2003, Malmö 2003

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#### Little Big Girl

Feature Film, Denmark 2002 Director: Morten Koehlert Production: Asa Film Production Festivals: Giffoni 2002 (awarded), Lucas Filmfestival 2002 Frankfurt (awarded), Buster Copenhagen 2002, Chemnitz 2002 (awarded), Sandnes 2002, Chicago 2002, Cinekid Amsterdam 2002, Lübeck 2002, London 2002, Oulu 2002, Würzburg 2003 World Sales: Nordisk Film Int. Sales

Address see above

#### Scars

Feature Film, Norway/Sweden 2001

Lars Berg Director:

Production: Paradox Productions Festivals: Berlin 2002 (awarded), Malmö 2002, Stockholm Junior 2002, Giffoni 2002 (awarded), Buster Copenhagen 2002, Sandnes 2002, Cinekid Amsterdam 2002, Chicago 2002 (awarded), Lübeck 2002, Espoo Cine 2002, Cinepaenz Cologne 2002 (awarded), Oulu 2002 (awarded),

Antwerp 2003

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#### Send more Candy

Feature Film, Denmark 2001 Caecilia Holbek Trier Director.

Production: Cronefilm

Festivals: Sandnes 2001, Berlin 2002 (Special Mention), Antwerp 2002 (awarded), Malmö 2002, Chicago 2002, Augsburg 2002, Vienna 2002, Olympia/

Greece 2002

World Sales: Crone Film Production

Blomstervaenget 52 DK-2800 Lingby ++45-4587-2700 phone: ++45-4587-2705 fax: F-mail· cronefilm@cronefilm.dk Internet: www.cronefilm.dk

#### Wallah Be

Feature Film, Denmark 2002 Director: Pia Bovin Production: Zentropa

Festivals: Lübeck 2002 (Special mention of German children's films clubs), Berlin 2003 (Grand Prix), Antwerp 2003 World Sales: Trust Film Sales

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#### You Are Free

Feature Film, Iran 2001

Mohammad Ali Talebi Director: Festivals: Poznan 2002, Frankfurt 2002 (awarded), Olympia 2002 (awarded, best

feature film), Malmö 2003 Production & World Sales:

Farabi Cinema Foundation 55, Sie Tir Street IR-11358 Teheran, Iran phone: ++98-21-670 10 10 fax: ++98-21-670 81 55 F-mail: fcf1@dpi.net.ir



Wallah Be, directed by Pia Bovin, Denmark 2002, has just been awarded with the Crystal Bear at the Berlin International Film Festival, children's film section.

# Call for Papers: KIDSTEEN Kid Screen 2003: SCREEN



# "Audiovisual Stories of a Digital Age"

The ECFA/ICEM Conference Audiovisual Stories of a Digital Age in Oslo, October 4th to 9th 2003 will bring together media professionals from a number of sectors for an exploration of the challenges of the digital age. Movies, programmes and projects from the Nordic countries, lectures on the digital divide, global agendas, and the latest technology in media education will be presented.

We aim to encourage debate on the role of media education in the information society, and to explore the basis of the stories that are emerging within our communities. New technologies, the local and global distribution of wealth and welfare, and ongoing urbanisation create challenges that affect media education

in various fields. Issues such as the real

and virtual spaces where education is tak-

ing place, relations between educators,

students and the rest of society, relations

between the educational community and the industry and the market are being

affected. Wider concerns such as the pos-

sibility of democratic participation and

the acceptance of human rights should

also be an element within the scope of

The conference will focus on how educa-

tional and media communities face these

challenges through their methods, opti-

ons, and use of digital technologies. We present the concept of "stories" as our

main tool, in an effort to include both the

stories of young people themselves as

well as the bigger narratives of our age

We invite all interested in these topics to

present proposals for papers at the confe-

used by educators and the media.



matic panels should not exceed 90 minutes, preferably with three 15- to 20-minute papers and 30 minutes left for questions and discussion.

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The official language of the conference will be English. The proposals for thematic panels should consist of a de-

scription of the general topic to be discussed and the different perspectives from which they will be approached, as well as their relevance to the conference.

To submit proposals for papers, please fill in the Form Call for Papers at www.nfi.no/conference

The deadline for preliminary versions is April 30th, 2003.

Proposals can also be sent on a diskette (PC format preferred, please do not send hard copies) to the following address:

ICEM/ECFA Conference Norsk filminstitutt Postboks 482 Sentrum N- 0105 Oslo **NORWAY** 

The proposals will be submitted to the conference committee for acceptance. The results of the committee's deliberations will be communicated to the authors by the end of May. Upon being accepted, a definitive version of the presentations should be sent to the conference committee before the next deadline, which will be communicated in due course. The final papers will be presented to the editor of the iournal Educational Media International.

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Relevant proposals are welcome from all levels, fields, and disciplines in education, research, and production, as well as from the administrative end of the educational community.

There are two different formats available:

- Individual papers. Papers should consist of a 15- to 20-minute presentation followed by 10 minutes for questions and discussion.
- Thematic panels. These should consist of up to three individual papers with a com-

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#### **Forthcoming Festivals**

Europees Jeugdfilmfestival Vlaanderen,

Antwerp, March 2nd - 9th 2003

Contact: Europees Jeugdfilmfestival Vlaanderen, Katrijn Korten **Bisschopstraat 67** 

**B-2060** Antwerp Phone: ++32-3-23 26 409 Fax: ++32-3-21 31 492 E-Mail: kidfilm@skynet.be

Internet: www.kidfilm.be

**BUFF - International Children & Young** People's Film-Festival, Malmö/Sweden, March 11th - 16th

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Young People's Film-Festival Lennart Ström, P.O. Box 179 S-20101 Malmö

Phone: ++46-40-30 91 64 ++46-40-305 322 info@buff.nu E-Mail: Internet: www.buff.nu

#### Leeds Children's Film Festival, Leeds/UK, March 27th to April 3rd

Contact: Leeds Children's Film Festival

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**Festival International du Cinema Jeune** Public, Laon/France, April 1st - 8th

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**Phone:** Fax: ++33-3-237 93932 E-Mail: festival.cinema.laon@

wanadoo.fr

Internet: www.laonfilmfest.com

"Golden Sparrow" - German Children's Film & Television Festival, Erfurt/Gera, April 2nd - 11th

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April 29th to May 4th Contact: Kristiansand Kino

P.O.Box 356

N-4663 Kristiansand Phone: ++ 47-38-10 42 07

Fax: ++ 47-38-10 42 01
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Internet: www.filmweb.no/
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Ulisses International Children's Film and Television Festival, Lisboa/Portugal

May 5hth to 10th 2003

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International Film Festival for Children and Youth Zlín/Czech Republic, May 25th to 31st 2003

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International Young Audience Film Festival "Ale Kino!", Poznan/Poland June 1st to 7th 2003

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Plein la bobine - Sancy Film Festival for young people, Clermont-Ferrand/France June 11th to 14th 2003

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# Films on the Horizon

Rertram & Co

Feature Film, Denmark 2002 Director: Hans Kristensen Production: Regner Grasten Film,

TV 2/Denmark

Already released

World Sales: Nordisk Film Internat. Sales

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DK-1700 Copenhagen V ++45-33-266880

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Carol's Journey

Feature Film, Spain/Portugal 2002

Director: Imanol Uribe

Production: Sogecine, Aiete-Ariane, Take 2000, TVE, Canal+

Already released World Sales:Sogepaq

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The Handcuff King

Feature Film, Finland/Sweden 2002

Director: Arto Keskonen

Production: Kinoproduction Oy, Helsinki

Already released

World Sales: Nordisk Film Internat. Sales

Address see above

The Rain Children

Animation Film, France 2002 Director: Philippe Leclerc

Already released

Production: Belokan, MK 2, France 2

Cinema, Studio Hahn Shim

World Sales:MK 2

55, Rue Traversière F-75012 Paris ++33-1-44673055

phone: ++33-1-44673055 fax: ++33-1-43072963 E-mail: sales@mk2.com Internet: www.mk2.com Sea of Silence

Feature Film, Netherlands, Belgium,

Denmark, Germany 2002 Director: Stijn Coninx Already released

Production: & World Sales:

Isabella Films Singel 272

NL-1016 AC Amsterdam

 phone:
 ++31-20-4227964

 fax:
 ++31-20-4283096

 E-mail:
 info@isabellafilms.com

 Internet:
 www.isabellafilms.com

Someone like Hodder

Feature Film, Denmark 2002 Director: Henrik Ruben Genz Production: Nordisk Film Production

Already released

World Sales: Nordisk Film Internat. Sales

Address see above

Strong as a Lion

Feature Film, Sweden 2002 Director: Manne Lindwall

Production: Illusion Film, Sonet Film,

Film i Väst, SVT Väst

Already released

World Sales: Nordisk Film Internat. Sales

Address see above

Wolf Summer

Feature Film, Norway 2002 Director: Peder Norlund Production: Northern Lights,

Nordisk Film Production

Already released

World Sales: Nordisk Film Internat. Sales

Address see above

Young Olsen Gang  $\dots$  Går Under Vann

Feature Film, Norway 2002 Director: Arne Lindtner Naess Production: Nordisk Film Production

Already released

World Sales: Nordisk Film Internat. Sales

Address see above

### **Elected as CIFEJ's President:**

# **Congratulations to Athina Rikaki!**



Athina Rikaki, director of Athens-based European Children's Television Centre (ECTC). has been elected as President of the Centre International du Film pour l'Enfance et la Jeunesse (CIFEJ) at the organisation's general assembly in Sandnes/ Norway last November. She is the organizer of the AGORA meetings, which were held in Greece until last year and will be in Bologna/Italy this summer. In 2001 she organized the 3rd World Summit on Media for Children. The co-operation between CIFEJ and ECFA has developed very well during the last years and will develop even more, as we can already see when we look at the board members: Florence Dupont (see page 6) is member of both CIFEJ's and ECFA's boards, and Jerzy Moszkowicz, the former President of CIFEJ, now has been elected to the board of ECFA.

#### **ECFA's General Assembly:**

# **New Board Members elected**

ECFA's General Assembly this year was held in a very harmonic atmosphere during the Berlin International Filmfestival. Around 30 members were present, which means almost 70 percent of the Association.

Eva Schwarzwald, ECFA's resigning president, remarked that children's film festivals have a growing share within the organisation. In her report on ECFA's activities last year Eva Schwarzwald mentioned the co-operation at AGORA 2002 (Athens/Greece, June 14th to 19th) and the organisation of Kid Screen 7 (Desenzano del Garda/ Italy, November 1st to 5th), as well as the publication of ECFA-Journal and www.ecfaweb.org.

Felix Vanginderhuysen, General Secretary of ECFA, had positive information on ECFA's financial situation and on the growing number of members: Since 2002 twelve organisations signed their ECFAmembership, six had to be excluded, which means the organisation grows slowly, but constantly.

The change of statutes was approved unanimously by the members according to the suggestions of the board. The organisations aims now also include media education and the maximum subscription amount was raised to 350 Euros. The board members pointed out that they do not have in mind raising the membership fees immediately, but according to Belgium law (where ECFA is registered) in the statutes this figure has to be mentioned. (The new statutes can be found on www.ecfaweb.org)

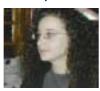
ECFA's president Eva Schwarzwald and Elke Ried received a very warm applause when they announced that their membership on the board has come to an end and according to the statutes can not be prolonged. New board members Florence Dupont, Dimitra Gerardi, Dick de Jonge, Katrijn Korten, Mia Lindrup, Debbie Maturi, Jerzy Moszkowicz and Rose-Marie Strand were elected resp. confirmed.

Mia Lindrup, ECFA's new President, announced the organisation's new projects:

The Kids for Kids Festival will be held during AGORA 2003 in Bologna/Italy, June 20th to 23rd. The jury for the selection of the Kids for Kids Festival (Jo-Anne Blouin CIFEJ; Athina Rikaki, ECTC; Gert Hermans and Mia Lindrup, ECFA) will meet during the Amandus Festival in Lillehammer/Norway, April 7th to 10th. The selected films will be invited to AGORA. Until now more than 60 productions have been entered, not yet counting the entries from the Scandinavian countries, which are still missing.



Florence Dupont, Paris/France



Dimitra Gerardi, Athens/Greece



Dick de Jonge, Amsterdam ! Netherlands



Katrijn Korten, Antwerp/Belgium



Mia Lindrup, Oslo/Norway



Debbie Maturi, Leeds/UK



Jerzy Moszkowicz, Poznan/Poland



Rose-Marie Strand, Stockholm/Sweden

ECFA's Board To be able to allow as many young filmmakers as possible to come to Bologna, ECFA-members in the various countries should try to find funds to support their travel expen-

> Kid Screen 2003 will move from Italy to Norway: From October 5th to 9th the conference "Audio Visual Stories of a Digital Age" will be organized by ECFA in co-operation with ICEM (International Council of Educational Media) and the Norwegian Film Institute. The conference's main topic will be how the challenges of the digital age influence the stories of children, young people, educators and media professional. In this framework Kid Screen will present new nordic films for children, recent research on the use of film and new media in education, digital tools for film education and distribution and new educational and children's films in our film. TV and video markets.

> ECFA-members are invited to contribute to the topics of the conference (see the call for papers on page 3). Furthermore ECFA-members who want to participate at Kid Screen will have a reduced participation fee.

> As a third viewpoint ECFA will offer their contacts to Cined@ys, a project which was started by the European Commission in autumn last year and will be organized again in October 2003. During the discussion some members pointed out, that Cined@ys need more advanced ideas about film quality for children and ECFA could be the best partner for this purpose at this

> At the end of the General Assembly several members introduced their new projects. For example the Festival of New Nordic Films for Children will move from Haugesund to Copenhagen, where it will become a section of the children's Film Festival Buster (September 29th to October 5th 2003).

For ECFA's website, some members suggested also to include films for young people up to 16 years old in the database and to give age recommendations for all the films.

Mia Lindrup thanked all the members present for their contributions to the assembly and invited everybody to the party at the same evening (see page 6).

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**AGORA – Interactive Media for Children** Bologna/Italy, June 20th to 23rd 2003 Mediterranean Summit on Media for Children and Kids for Kids Film Festival Contact: ECTC - European Children's

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Filmfest München - Kinderfilmfest, Munich/Germany, June 28th to July 5th 2003

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#### ECFA - The EUROPEAN CHILD-**REN'S FILM ASSOCIATION**

The goal of ECFA is to support cinema for children in its cultural, economical, esthetic, social, political and educational aspects. ECFA was founded in 1988 in Mons (Belgium) after the Conference of Troja (Portugal) and it brought together a wide range of European film professionals and associations, producers, directors, distributors. ECFA's aim is to set up a working structure in every European country for films for children and young people, a structure adapted to Europe's multicultural interests.

#### For more informations and membership (membership-fee 200 Euros per year) contact:

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#### The European Children's Film **Distribution Network:** www.ecfaweb.org/english/ ecfnet/index.htm

Databases on children's film festivals, sales agents, distributors and TV-programrs interested in European films for children.

# **ECFA in Persons: Florence Dupont, Paris**



Florence Dupont, born 1972, lives in Paris. For several years she was artistic director of the famous Laon Film Festival for Children and Young People, now she works in the same position for the Sancy film Festival for Young People, "Plein la Bobine", which will be held at La Bourboule and Le Mont-Dore for the first time this year (June 11th to 14th). "One of our festival's main goals is to introduce children and young people to films they are not used to seeing, to show them that an alternative exists to mainstream productions and hopefully to make them develop

a liking for 'arthouse cinema' when they are adults."

Two years ago Florence Dupont was elected to the board of ECFA and was recently confirmed for another four years. She is also Vice-President of CIFEJ, the International Centre of Films for Children and Young People. Florence Dupont is active in these organisations, because she regards meeting and getting to know people from other countries who work in the same field, film culture for children, as very important. This is for many reasons, but especially in order to get to know about what is being done elsewhere, what new films are being made etc. "ECFA helps me to get in contact with people sharing the same concerns and makes me aware of new interesting films and what can be done in terms of animation around films. But what I like most is the networking, the fact that ECFA is a very friendly association, where people are more into helping each other than competing."

What in Florence Dupont's opinion should be improved in ECFA's activities is the organisation of workshops, for example on film education in different parts of Europe, the co-operation with the countries in Middle and Eastern Europe and the development of ECEA's website and its contents.

# ECFA's Party at the Berlin Film Festival



A big success again was ECFA's party during the Berlin Filmfestival. Together with several German partner organisations (Bundesverband Jugend und Film, Foerderverein Deutscher Kinderfilm, MDC International, Stiftung Goldener Spatz) ECFA's new President Mia Lindrup welcomed more than 200 guests at at Café am Neuen See.





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