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# East Doc Platform 2025

## Guidelines for applicants

### APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 15, 2024 (applying is free of charge)

Filled-out online application form and links to applicant's project and previous work have to be submitted by **November 15, 2024**. Applications submitted after November 15, 2024 will not be considered.

Project selection assures participants with free accreditation to the industry sessions of the East Doc Platform, the festival screenings of One World festival and all networking events.

### WHAT PROJECTS ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

Creative feature length documentary films (creative story/character-driven), or factual series projects from Central and Eastern Europe ([see eligible the list of countries](#)) in development, production, postproduction stage, as well as finished short and feature<sup>1</sup> films. The selection is also open to the international productions with projects thematically bound to CEE region.

**East Doc Forum:** Pitching for Central and East European creative documentary projects in development or in production stage, **including factual series**. Participation includes five day-long pitch training and preparation, networking opportunities and individual meetings with invited decision makers.

**East Doc Market:** Pre-arranged one-on-one meetings with decision makers for documentary projects in production and post-production.

**East Silver:** Pre-arranged one-on-one meetings with decision makers for documentary projects in post-production, rough cut stage and finished films looking for sales & festival distribution, available for world/international premiers.

### CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

- Proficiency in English
- All requested materials submitted prior to the deadline
- English subtitles for all audiovisual materials

### KEY DATES

15 <sup>th</sup> of November, 2024:	Deadline for submissions
31 <sup>st</sup> of January, 2025:	Successful applicants informed
13 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> of March, 2025:	East Doc Platform in Prague, Czech Republic
17 <sup>th</sup> of March, 2025:	East Silver Market at East Doc Platform in Prague, Czech Republic

East Doc Platform is organized by the Institute of Documentary Film in association with One World International Human Rights Documentary Film Festival.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that finished short and feature-length films are not eligible for the East Doc Forum, and will be considered only for the East Silver programme.



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# East Doc Forum

## PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION:

- Logline and synopsis (max. 2 000 characters including spaces)
- Treatment / or Detailed descriptions of episodes (max. 5 500 characters including spaces)
- Short budget
- Financial plan
- 3 Film stills
- Director's photo, bio and filmography
- Producer's photo, bio, filmography and company profile
- Link to the trailer
- Link to the previous film of the director
- Author's presentation video explaining reasons to make this particular film and motivation to present it at East Doc Forum (the video can be recorded on a smartphone, computer, etc.; the ideal length is between 2 - 5 minutes, can be made by both director and/or producer).

## PROJECT SELECTION

The programme is open to projects from Central and Eastern Europe ([see eligible the list of countries](#)). Projects will be assessed by a committee made up of international experts and IDF staff. The list of projects selected to attend the Forum will be announced in January 2025 at [dokweb.net](http://dokweb.net).

## CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The filmmaker teams (director and producer) have to attend both the East Doc Forum workshop and the pitching sessions (**March 13 – 19, 2025**). Team members have to be proficient in English. The East Doc Forum will only accept projects that have duly paid the participation fee and submitted all documents and information requested by the organisers prior to the event.

## PARTICIPATION FEE

Successful applicants **whose projects are selected** have to pay the participation fee by **February 15, 2025**. The participation fee is **300 €** (administration fee, covering two industry passes). Please note that the final amount will be concluded upon selection based on the attending team size and is used to cover accommodation and one meal per day per person. Travel expenses are paid by the participants. Projects that fail to pay the fee will be excluded from participation at the East Doc Forum workshop and pitching session.

## KEY DATES:

### Feature Docs

March 13-17 preparatory workshop session  
Pitching Forum: March 18  
Market meetings: March 18-19

### Documentary Series

March 15-17 preparatory workshop session  
Pitch rehearsal: March 17, 19:00-20:00  
Pitching Forum: March 18  
Market meetings: March 18

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# East Doc Market

## PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION:

- Logline and synopsis
- Financial plan
- 3 Film stills
- Director's photo
- Producer's photo
- Link to the trailer
- Link to the previous film / project of the director
- Author's presentation video explaining reasons to make this particular film and motivation to present it at East Doc Platform (the video can be recorded on a smartphone, computer, etc.; the ideal length is between 2 - 5 minutes, can be made by both director and/or producer).

## PROJECT SELECTION

The programme is open to projects from Central and Eastern Europe ([see eligible the list of countries](#)). Projects will be assessed by a committee made up of IDF staff and international experts. Official announcement of projects selected will be available in January 2025 at [dokweb.net](http://dokweb.net).

## CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Filmmakers selected for the Market will take part in pre-arranged individual meetings with international decision-makers, producers, financiers and commissioning editors (**March 17 - 19, 2025**). Decision makers will receive a catalogue with selected projects prior to the event and will decide which projects are of their interest. Also, the list of decision makers will be available to the participants and they select up to 10 decision makers they would like to meet. The final list of meetings will be based on the preferences from both sides. Each meeting lasts for 15 minutes.

## PARTICIPATION FEE

Successful applicants **whose projects are selected** have to pay the participation fee by **February 15, 2025**. The participation fee is **300 €** (administration fee, covering two industry passes). Please note that the final amount will be concluded upon selection based on the attending team size and is used to cover accommodation and one meal per day per person. Travel expenses are paid by the participants. Projects that fail to pay the fee will be excluded from participation at the Market.

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# East Silver

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- Logline and synopsis (max. 2 000 characters including spaces)
- Treatment (max. 5 500 characters including spaces)
- 3 Film stills
- Director's photo, bio and filmography
- Producer's photo, bio, filmography and company profile
- Link to the trailer
- Link to the film
- Link to the previous film of the director

## PROJECT SELECTION

The programme is open to completed films and/or rough cuts from Central and Eastern Europe ([see eligible the list of countries](#)). Projects will be assessed by a committee made up of international experts and IDF staff. The list of selected projects selected to attend the East Silver 2025 will be announced in January 2025 at [dokweb.net](http://dokweb.net).

## CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Filmmakers selected for the East Silver will take part in pre-arranged individual meetings with international decision-makers, festival selectors and sales (**March 17, 2025**). Decision makers will receive a catalogue with selected projects prior to the event and will decide which projects are of their interest. Also, the list of decision makers will be available to the participants and they select up to 10 decision makers they would like to meet. The final list of meetings will be based on the preferences from both sides. Each meeting lasts for 15 minutes.

Team members have to be proficient in English. The East Silver will only accept projects that have duly paid the participation fee and submitted all documents and information requested by the organizers prior to the event.

## PARTICIPATION FEE

Successful applicants **whose projects are selected** to East Silver and will take part of East Silver have to pay the participation fee by **February 15, 2025**. The participation fee is **150 €** (administration fee, covering two industry passes). Please note that the final amount will be concluded upon selection based on the attending team size and is used to cover accommodation and one meal per day per person. Travel expenses are paid by the participants. Projects that fail to pay the fee will be excluded from participation in the event.

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