

program bullet points

GERMAN FILMS DISTRIBUTION SUPPORT:

- **Funding program** established in 2005 for foreign distributors releasing a recent German feature or documentary film in cinema
- € 50.000 maximum support per film per country as a **conditionally repayable loan**, whose repayment depends on a success of the film in the cinema / funding up to € 10.000 may also be given as a **grant subsidy**
- **Distributor's own share** must be at least 50 % of total distribution costs
- A **committee** decides on the applications and defines repayment thresholds (based on admission figures) for conditionally repayable loans
- **Annual budget** for 2018: € 830.137

CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION:

- Full payment of **minimum guarantee**, signed **long form agreement**
- Funding must be used for **additional promotion measures**
- Support of **co-productions**: The film must be majority German financed co-production, possess a German certificate of origin and must have been produced with majority of German members of crew and have a significant German cultural imprint
- With conditionally repayable loans: film must be sold theatrically to at least **5 territories**
- **Time limit**: Application deadline at the latest 2 months before the release of the film / applications have to be complete and correct by then (additional deadlines referring to the committee-meetings on our website)

OBLIGATIONS:

- The **final accounting** concerning all distribution costs is due 2 months after the release / applicants whose film releases in November or December have to render the account no later than 4 weeks after the release date
- Reports about **admission figures/gross receipts** by the end of every month during the film's exploitation in cinemas
- **Repayment**: conditionally repayable loans must be repaid 4 weeks after reaching a repayment threshold
- **Documentation that has to be handed in 2 months after the release date**: one copy of all advertising material, one DVD in the country version, one exploitation report with critics etc. for German Films
- **German Films must be named as a subsidizing body** in all media and the logo of German Films must be shown on all printings / if the subsidy amounts to € 50.000 all prints must display the logo of German Films and a notation indicating German Films as a subsidizing body in the main titles