

North-South Animation Forum

A networking event for co-producers and distributors of Animation films

Brussels (Flagey), 12th and 13th February 2018

Dear Madam,
Dear Sir,

Are you active in the **animation industry** and would you like to get in contact with co-producers or television networks from Belgium, the Netherlands, France, Germany, or Spain in Brussels?

Once again this year, Brussels Invest & Export, screen.brussels and the Europe Creative Desk Media Wallonia-Brussels/Flanders/Germany/Spain/France are organising the "North-South Animation Forum", a meeting between producers and head buyers (broadcasters) of animated films, which will be held in Brussels on 12th and 13th February 2018. Selected projects must have already received funding of at least 30% of their budget.

The event is being held as part of the [Brussels Animation Film Festival, Anima](#). The event will take place in Flagey in the grounds of the festival, which offers the necessary facilities.

ACTIVITIES

Optional: "Belgian Comics Trip" - 12/02 (afternoon)

With its internationally recognized series (*Tintin*, *The Smurfs*, *Spirou*, *Lucky Luke*, *Largo Winch*, *Gaston Lagaffe*, ...) Belgium is the country of comics.

In addition to these commercial locomotives, comics publishers have numerous licenses that have never been adapted for animation.

A gold mine to be exploited for creative studios, ambitious producers and broadcasters looking for quality content. As part of the [Anima Festival](#), screen.brussels invites several Belgian publishing houses to present their licenses through creative pitches in order to propose to studios / producers / broadcasters to seize them for animated adaptations (from 5pm to 7pm) . A networking cocktail will follow this session, in the presence of the following publishing houses: Media Participations (Dupuis / Dargaud / Lombard), Casterman, Ecole des Loisirs, Glénat – Vent d'Ouest, Gallimard Flammarion and Delcourt - Editions soleil (TBC) .

The event – 12/02 (evening) and 13/12

Like previous years, the event is a meeting between Brussels-based and foreign producers and distributors working in the field of animated films. Broadcasters will first introduce themselves and the kind of projects they are looking for. Producers from 5 different countries will then present their animation projects, already financed at 30% at least and with international ambition. The event will be held from the evening of 12th at the restaurant until 13th February 2018 as part of the [Brussels Animation Film Festival, Anima](#).

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Location

Activities: All activities will take place at the [Flagey Cultural Centre](#) - Entry via the Place Sainte Croix, 1050 Ixelles.

Dates

12th and 13th February 2018

Programme

Monday 12 February

Optional part

3.00pm	<i>Arrival at Brussels (by aeroplane, train or car) of the foreign producers and distributors. BI&E will organise transport to the hotel by taxi.</i>
4.00pm	<i>Arrival at the Thon Bristol Stéphanie hotel.</i>
5.00 – 7.00pm	<i>Pitches of Belgian comics publishers</i>
7.00pm-8.00pm	<i>Networking event</i>

Fixed part

6.00pm	Arrival at Brussels of the foreign producers and distributors that don't attend the optional part. BI&E will organise transport to hotel by taxi.
8.30pm	Restaurant

10.30pm	Return to the Thon Bristol Stéphanie hotel.
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Tuesday 13 February

8.30am	Welcome coffee
9.00am	Brief presentation by broadcasters
9.30am	Start of pitches made by producers: Producers are invited to introduce themselves in a few words (using power point presentation if necessary) and to present their animation project in a video ¹ , all in 3 minutes.
11.00am - 11.20am	Break
12.15pm	'Tax Shelter' presentation
12.30pm	Lunch (Anima catering)
2.00pm – 5.30pm	B2B meetings
6.00pm	Return to the respective places of departure by taxi (stopping off at the hotel).

Registration

Registrations are open until 15 January 2018.

For Belgian producers, comic book publishers or distributors it can be made [via the online form](#).

For producers and distributors from the Netherlands, France, Germany, or Spain, please refer to the Economic & Commercial Attaché of your country:

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¹ The video files must be provided in the following formats: *.avi, *mp4, *mov no later than 2 February.

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