

# WHAT'S NEW IN SLOVAKIA IN 2009

## SLOVAK AUDIOVISUAL FUND

Main information about the great change in the support system for the Slovak cinematography and audiovisual culture

- Law on Audiovisual Fund (516/2008) was passed by the National Council of the Slovak Republic on November 5, 2008 and entered into force as of January 1, 2009,
- Slovak Audiovisual Fund is a public corporation providing: financial support, scholarships, loans, co-productions statutes,
- Throughout 2009, bodies of the Fund will be created, followed by enacting documents of the Fund and the notification process,
- Fund will be open for the first applications from November 11, 2009,
- Administrative fee for the applicant for support is 0.1% of the support required (minimum € 20 and max. € 300),
- Private entities should make first money transfer in 2010.

## FUND BODIES

### Board

- statutory body, elects the director and enacts all the documents related to the financing
- 9 members, for a 6-year term, members: appointed by the Minister of Culture based upon the proposals by the institutions; 2 independent producers, 2 creators of audiovisual works, 1 of distributors/cinema operator, 1 of public service TV broadcasting, 1 of license TV broadcasting, 1 of cable operators (retransmission services), 1 appointed by the Minister

### Supervisory Commission

- controlling body, supervises the management of the Fund, the financial flows within the organization, budget, etc.,
- 3 members for 4-year term, 2 chosen by the Board, 1 by the Minister of Culture, chosen and appointed from among professional lawyers and/or economists

### Director

- executive body, appoints the members of the expert commissions that decide on grants, loans etc. (financial support)
- office term of the Director is 5 years
- financial support can only be granted if approved by the director based on the assessment of the Expert Commission

### Expert Commissions

- established by the Fund to assess applications
- min. 5 members for 2-year term

## FINANCING

- Public service TV broadcaster - 5% from the advertising revenues
- TV – multi regional TV broadcasters - 2% from their overall broadcasting income
- operators of audiovisual technical devices - € 0.03 from the admission ticket
- providers of the retransmission services - 1% from the retransmission income
- distributors of the audiovisual works 1% from the distribution income (except cinema distribution)
- government - share of the government can't be less than overall sum provided to the fund by the private entities in the previous year

Expected budget for 2010: € 4 million

The Fund can use max. 5% of its budget for the internal purposes (financing of the fund as administrative body)

for more information visit: [www.culture.gov.sk](http://www.culture.gov.sk), [www.aic.sk](http://www.aic.sk)

# WHAT'S SLOVAK AT EFM BERLIN

Slovak Films at EFM Berlin 2009  
Central European Cinema, stand 128  
Martin-Gropius Bau

# 2009



## SLOVAK FILM INSTITUTE:

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## BROKEN PROMISE

*/Nedodržaný sľub/*

Slovak Republic, Czech Republic, USA

2009 - 129 min - 35mm

dir. Jiří Chlumský

cast: Samuel Spišák, Ondřej Vetchý,  
Ivan Romančík, Marián Slovák, Eva Kerekes  
national release: April 2009

The film is based on a true story. Film tells a story of a Jewish boy, Martin Friedmann, born in 1926 in Western Slovakia, who escaped deportation to a concentration camp thanks to his extraordinary soccer talent and some coincidentally favorable circumstances...

Market Screening EFM 2009:

Monday - Feb 9 / 10:45 - CinemaxX Studio 19

Sales: Film Europe - SPI International



## MY HUSBAND'S WOMEN

*/Ženy môjho muža/*

Slovak Republic, Czech Republic, Hungary

2009 - 85 min - 35mm

dir. Ivan Vojnár

cast: Zdena Studenková, Martin Stropnický, Vladimír  
Dlouhý, Éva Bandor, Tāňa Pauhofová  
national release: July 2009

Film is a reflection of the contemporary life of a married couple that is unable to give love anymore. Aging media star Vera and her husband Daniel live together and somewhat apart. For a long time their marriage is like a dead end street. They have reached a point where one period of their lives ends, when a young girl Liana enters.

Market Screening EFM 2009:

Tuesday - Feb 10 / 18:45 - CinemaxX Studio 13

Sales: Film Europe - SPI International



## THE GREAT THAW

*/Sněženky a machři po 25 letech/*

Czech Republic, Slovak Republic

2008 - 95 min. - 35 mm

dir. Viktor Tauš

cast: Michal Suchánek, Jan Antonín Duchoslav,  
Radoslav Brzobohatý, Julliana Johanidesová  
national release: Dec 2008 (CZ), Feb 2009 (SK)

The "old bunch" of high schoolmates and professors happens to meet again - same place, only 25 years later - teenagers are grown-ups and have their own kids. But some things never change - like the unfulfilled desires and sense of humor...

Market Screening EFM 2009:

Monday - Feb 9 / 13:00 - Parliament

Sales: Film Europe - SPI International

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## TOBRUK

*/Tobruk/*

Czech Republic, Slovak Republic

2008 - 102 min - 35mm

dir. Václav Marhoul

cast: Jan Meduna, Petr Vaněk, Robert Nebrenský,  
Matěj Hádek  
national release: September 2008

North Africa, II. WW, Fall 1941. Jiri Pospichal signs up as a volunteer in the Czechoslovak army. His naive ideas about heroism are rawly confronted with the hell of the African desert...

Market Screening EFM 2009:

Friday - Feb 6 / 11:50 - CinemaxX Studio 12

Sales: Intramovies

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## SOUL AT PEACE

*/Pokoj v duši/*

Slovak Republic - 2009 - 97 min. - 35 mm

dir. Vladimír Balko

cast: Attila Mokus, Roman Luknár, Robert  
Więckiewicz, Jan Vondráček, Helena Krajičiová  
national release: January 2009

Story about friendship and betrayal. Tono, an ex-convict, returns home after spending five years in prison for stealing lumber. He comes to his village and sees that everything there has changed.

Market Screening EFM 2009:

Wednesday - Feb 11 / 09:30 - CinemaxX Studio 12

Sales: Forza Production House

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