

Invitation to the 30th International Film Festival AGROFILM

Dear executive producers, filmmakers, specialists in the sphere of agriculture, research workers, pedagogues, representatives of mass media, and friends of the film festival Agrofilm!

We take pleasure in informing you that the jubilee 30th International Film Festival AGROFILM will take place from 29th September to 3rd October 2014. The festival is traditionally held in Nitra, Slovakia and this year will be also the town Zvolen the venue of festival's events.

Agrofilm is a festival of films and video-programmes aimed especially at themes from agriculture and rural development. The objective of the festival is to inform public about the latest findings in the sphere of agriculture, food-production, nutrition of population, problems in rural areas and their inhabitants, conservation of natural resources and improvement of life quality. The festival films shall show problems and try to bring good examples, innovation solutions, they promote results of research.

Last year we changed the dramaturgy of the festival with the aim to bring the festival nearer to the public. Special events, screening for students of secondary schools and universities followed by special lectures and discussions as well as screening of films connected with promotion of high quality foodstuffs and lectures in the shopping centre met positive acceptance of the public and mass media. Visitors of the IFF Agrofilm 2013 saw 152 films from 24 countries. The jubilee 30th Agrofilm will therefore continue these activities. We will not omit the traditional cultural concomitant festival events such as the art exhibition.

Agrofilm is arranged by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic. The festival is organized by the Research Institute for Animal Production Nitra that is a part of the National Agricultural and Food Centre since January 2014. Partners of the festival are the town Nitra, the Nitra Self-governing Region, universities, the Centre of Scientific-Technical Information, the Food and Agriculture Organization and other international and Slovak institutions.

We sincerely hope that you will incorporate Agrofilm into your business calendar this year also. The festival offers you the opportunity to present your work to public. We will welcome recordings of professional as well as beginning film makers. For the latest information about the festival, statute of the festival including the festival electronic application form please go to **www.agrofilm.sk**. Novelty is also the fact that we brought this year's festival even nearer to the young and it is on social networks.

We are looking forward to cooperation and meeting during the 30th International Film Festival Agrofilm.

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