



Press release

## AGROFILM starts on Monday

Already on Monday, October 2, 2023, the 39<sup>th</sup> International Film Festival **AGROFILM** will begin. The organizer, **National Agricultural and Food Center** in Lužianky, prepared a rich programme all the way through Saturday, October 7th, 2023.

During the festival week, audiences can watch valuable documentary films from **22** countries of the world. As has become a tradition, the largest portion of the films has been submitted by filmmakers from Czechia, Hungary, Germany and, naturally, Slovakia. Authors submitted altogether **90** documentary films, in which resonate the current topics of soil and water preservation and sustainable agriculture benefiting not only humans, but our environment as well.

The audience can watch festival films daily online on [www.agrofilm.sk](http://www.agrofilm.sk). The festival films can be seen by audiences at 13 venues: as always, at the academic soil of the Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra, Constantine the Philosopher University, Comenius University Bratislava, Technical University in Zvolen, University of Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy in Košice, the festival will return also to Brezno (Synagogue), Trnava (Malý Berlín), Tatranská Lomnica (TANAP Museum), Štiavnické Bane and naturally, films will be screened also at the premises of NPPC Lužianky, NPPC Bratislava and at Multiplex Mlyny Cinemas in Nitra. This year, we will screen films also at Palisády in Bratislava, EU Commission Representation in Slovakia.

*“The European Union forces producers to add insects into flour.” “European manipulators destroyed our animal production in order to export their food waste to our country for us to eat.”* The head of the Representation of the European Commission in Slovakia, Vladimír Šucha, representatives of SPPK, general director of NPPC Martin Polovka and invited experts will discuss and, based on research findings, refute the most common myths and nonsense about agriculture in Slovakia and the EU on Wednesday 4 October 2023 at the NPPC in Lužianky. You can watch the discussion forum on the topic of **Taming Hoaxes** online as well. Professional topics will be bridged by culture as well and the guests can attend the vernissage of Marta Horníková’s paintings.

The international jury selected **14** exceptional films among the 42 competing documentaries and decided on the winners. The award-winning films will not be known until October 6, 2023, when their creators will receive their awards at the final ceremony on the premises of the Multiplex Mlyny Cinemas in Nitra. The pleasant atmosphere of these moments will be completed by performance of the festival’s ambassador, Dominika Titková.

Admission to all festival events is free. We wish you many audiovisual experiences. All information on the festival is available at [www.agrofilm.sk](http://www.agrofilm.sk).

29.9.2023, Lužianky