



Karlovy Vary International Film Festival

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The 53rd Karlovy Vary International Film Festival, a non-specialized festival with three competitive categories, took place from June 29th to July 7th this year. It was organized by Film Servis Festival Karlovy Vary, a.s., with Jiří Bartoška as president of the festival and Karel Och as an artistic director. The 54th Karlovy Vary IFF will be held from June 28th to 6th July 2019. On July 7th 2018, the festival's juries presented awards for the best films at the closing ceremony of the 53rd Karlovy Vary IFF.

OFFICIAL SELECTION – COMPETITION

GRAND JURY

Mark Cousins, United Kingdom

Zrinka Cvitešić, Croatia

Marta Donzelli, Italy

Zdeněk Holý, Czech Republic

Nanouk Leopold, Netherlands

GRAND PRIX – CRYSTAL GLOBE (25 000 USD)

The financial award is shared equally by the director and producer of the award-winning film.

“I Do Not Care If We Go Down in History as Barbarians” / „Îmi este indiferent dacă în istorie vom intra ca barbari”

Directed by: Radu Jude

Romania, Czech Republic, France, Bulgaria, Germany, 2018

SPECIAL JURY PRIZE (15 000 USD)

The financial award is shared equally by the director and producer of the award-winning film.

Sueño Florianópolis / Sueño Florianópolis

Directed by: Ana Katz

Argentina, Brasil, France, 2018

BEST DIRECTOR AWARD

Olmo Omerzu for the film **Winter Flies** / Všechno bude

Czech Republic, Slovenia, Poland, Slovakia, 2018



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BEST ACTRESS AWARD

Mercedes Morán for her role in the film **Sueño Florianópolis** / Sueño Florianópolis

Directed by: Ana Katz

Argentina, Brasil, France, 2018

BEST ACTOR AWARD

Moshe Folkenflik for his role in the film **Redemption** / Geula

Directed by: Joseph Madmony, Boaz Yehonatan Yacov

Israel, 2018

SPECIAL JURY MENTION

Jumpman / Podbrosy

Directed by: Ivan I. Tverdovskiy

Russia, Lithuania, Ireland, France, 2018

SPECIAL JURY MENTION

History of Love / Zgodovina ljubezni

Directed by: Sonja Prosenc

Slovenia, Italy, Norway, 2018

EAST OF THE WEST – COMPETITION

EAST OF THE WEST JURY

Peter Badač, Slovakia

Iris Elezi, Albania

Myriam Sassine, Lebanon

Dounia Sichov, France

Andrei Tănăsescu, Romania

EAST OF THE WEST GRAND PRIX (15 000 USD)

The financial award is shared equally by the director and producer of the award-winning film.

Suleiman Mountain / Suleiman gora

Directed by: Elizaveta Stishova

Kyrgyzstan, Russia, 2017



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EAST OF THE WEST SPECIAL JURY PRIZE (10 000 USD)

The financial award is shared equally by the director and producer of the award-winning film.

Blossom Valley / Virágvölgy

Directed by: László Csujá

Hungary, 2018

DOCUMENTARY FILMS – COMPETITION

DOCUMENTARY FILMS JURY

Raúl Camargo, Chile

M. Siam, Egypt

Diana Tabakov, Czech Republic

GRAND PRIX FOR BEST DOCUMENTARY FILM (5 000 USD)

The financial award goes to the director of the award-winning film.

Putin's Witnesses / Svideteli Putina

Directed by: Vitaly Mansky

Latvia, Switzerland, Czech Republic, 2018

DOCUMENTARY SPECIAL JURY PRIZE

Walden / Walden

Directed by: Daniel Zimmermann

Switzerland, Austria, 2018

PRÁVO AUDIENCE AWARD

Rain Man / Rain Man

Directed by: Barry Levinson

USA, 1988



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**CRYSTAL GLOBE FOR OUTSTANDING ARTISTIC CONTRIBUTION TO WORLD
CINEMA**

Tim Robbins, USA

**CRYSTAL GLOBE FOR OUTSTANDING ARTISTIC CONTRIBUTION TO WORLD
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Barry Levinson, USA

FESTIVAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Robert Pattinson, United Kingdom

**FESTIVAL PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR CONTRIBUTION TO CZECH
CINEMATOGRAPHY**

Jaromír Hanzlík, Czech Republic



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NON-STATUTORY AWARDS

AWARD OF INTERNATIONAL FILM CRITICS (FIPRESCI)

Awarded by The International Federation of Film Critics (FIPRESCI).

FIPRESCI JURY

René Marx, France

Marita Nyrhinen, Finland

Alejandra Trelles, Uruguay

Sueño Florianópolis / Sueño Florianópolis

Directed by: Ana Katz

Argentina, Brasil, France, 2018

THE ECUMENICAL JURY AWARD

THE ECUMENICAL JURY

Michael Otřisal, Czech Republic

Milja Radovic, United Kingdom

David Sipoš, Slovenia

Redemption / Geula

Directed by: Joseph Madmony, Boaz Yehonatan Yacov

Israel, 2018

Commendations

Winter Flies / Všechno bude

Directed by: Olmo Omerzu

Czech Republic, Slovenia, Poland, Slovakia, 2018

Miriam Lies / Miriam miente

Directed by: Natalia Cabral, Oriol Estrada

Dominican Republic, Spain 2018



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FEDEORA AWARD

Awarded by the Federation of Film Critics of Europe and the Mediterranean (FEDEORA) to the best film from the East of the West – Competition.

FEDEORA JURY

Stefan Dobroiu, Romania

Natascha Drubek, Germany

Nenad Dukić, Serbia

Suleiman Mountain / Suleiman gora

Directed by: Elizaveta Stishova

Kyrgyzstan, Russia, 2017

EUROPA CINEMAS LABEL AWARD

For the best European film in the Official Selection - Competition and in the East of the West - Competition.

EUROPA CINEMAS LABEL JURY

Daira Āboliņa, Latvia

Simon Blaas, Netherlands

Balázs Kalmanovits, Hungary

Jan Makosch, Germany

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WORKS IN PROGRESS, DOCS IN PROGRESS AND EURIMAGES LAB PROJECT AWARD AT KVIFF 2018

WORKS IN PROGRESS (100,000 Euro)

JURY

Matthijs Wouter Knol, Germany

Rossitsa Valkanova, Bulgaria

Rickard Olsson, Sweden

During **Works in Progress**, eleven projects were presented from countries of Central and Eastern Europe, the Balkans, the former Soviet Union, and now also the Middle East. A **prize in the value of 100,000 Euro** will be given to the project. The whole award consists of post-production services in UPP (60,000 Euro), Soundsquare (30,000 Euro), and a cash prize of 10,000 Euro from Barrandov Studio.

All This Victory / All This Victory

Director: Ahmad Ghossein

Producer: Georges Schoucair, Myriam Sassine, Marie-Pierre Macia, Claire Gadéa, Fabian Massah
Lebanon, France, Germany

DOCS IN PROGRESS (5,000 Euro)

JURY

Tanja Georgieva, Germany

Noemi Schory, Israel

Shane Smith, Canada

Ten projects from Central and Eastern Europe, the Balkans, the former Soviet Union, and the Middle East were presented within Docs in Progress event which introduced new documentary films that will premiere after the Karlovy Vary IFF. The winning film received a **cash prize in the amount of 5,000 Euro**.

The Projectionist / The Projectionist

Director: Yuriy Shylov

Producer: Gennady Kofman, Olha Beskhnelytsina, Dirk Simon, Miroslaw Dembinski
Ukraine, Germany, Poland

A Special Mention was awarded to the Polish project **Little Poland** by Matej Bobrik.



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EURIMAGES LAB PROJECT AWARD (50,000 Euro)

JURY

David Kořínek, Czech Republic

Dorien van de Pas, Netherlands

Christoph Terhechte, Germany

KVIFF is the first of four international film festivals in Europe to be awarding the Eurimage prize. KVIFF has selected projects for the Eurimage prize that surpass traditional film methods and are based on international cooperation. The prize was awarded in the value of 50,000 Euro. Eight Eurimages projects were presented at the KVIFF.

Normal / Normal

Director: Adele Tulli

Producer: Valeria Adilardi, Laura Romano, Luca Ricciardi
Italy, Sweden

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STATISTICS OF THE 53RD KARLOVY VARY IFF 2018

The 53rd Karlovy Vary IFF 2018 was attended by 13 080 accredited visitors. Of that number 10 857 had Festival Passes, 403 were filmmakers, 1190 film professionals, and 630 journalists.

There were a total of 501 film screenings and total of 140 135 tickets were sold. A total of 236 films were shown: 181 feature films (143 full-length and 38 short) and 55 documentary films (35 full-length and 20 short). 35 films received their world premiere, while 8 had their international premiere and 7 their European premiere. 182 screenings were personally presented by delegations of filmmakers. 103 Press & Industry screenings were held.

FILM INDUSTRY AT THE 53RD KARLOVY VARY IFF 2018

1373 film buyers, sellers, distributors, film festival programmers, representatives of film institutions, and other industry professionals were accredited for the 53rd Karlovy Vary IFF. 545 accredited film professionals came to the festival from abroad. 265 film buyers and distributors and 183 festival programmers chose from the new films and Works in Progress.



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Organizer of the 53rd Karlovy Vary IFF 2018: Film Servis Festival Karlovy Vary, a.s.

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