WEDNESDAY 7th NOVEMBER PREP DAY

09:30-12:45 cocoLAB: Pitch Preparation

(by appointment) with Martina Bleis & Marjorie Bendeck Stadthaus/Montreuil

10:00–12:00 cocoLAB: Individual Project Feedback

(by appointment) with Linda Beath & Saar Yogev Stadthaus/Ratssaal

13:00–13:15 Introduction Round for cocoPITCH & cocoWIP project representatives

Stadthaus/Foyer

13:15–14:15 Networking Lunch (by invitation only) Restaurant Roma

14:30–16:30 cocoLAB: Individual Project Feedback

(by appointment) with Constanza Arena, Weronika Czołnowska, Danijel Hočevar, Brigitta Manthey, Dana Messerschmidt, Daria Moheb Zandi, Mathias Noschis, Simon Perry, Patra Spanou & Saar Yogev Stadthaus/Ratssaal

14:30-16:30 cocoLAB: WIP Preparation

(by appointment) with Martina Bleis & Marcin Łuczaj Stadthaus/Montreuil

16:00-17:00 Welcome Drink

Stadthaus/Foyer

17:00-17:30 Funding News

News and Updates on Film Funding in selected coco Countries

with Anamaria Antoci (producer, Romania), Marzena Cieslik (Polish Film Institute), Rolandas Kvietkauskas (Lithuanian Film Centre) and others, moderated by Simon Perry Stadthaus/Zielona Góra 17:45–19:15 Lecture: It's my Business! Managing Competitive, Innovative Companies in the Film Industry with Linda Beath (Ideal Filmworks), in collaboration with EAVE
Stadthaus/Zielona Góra
19:00–21:00 Tech Check for cocoPITCH projects (by appointment)
Stadthaus/Ratssaal
21:00–23:00 coco Warm-Up – hosted by

THURSDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

09:30–12:00 cocoWIP (by invitation only)
 Kammerbühne
 20-minute-presentations of the 6 selected coco Work-in-Progress projects for sales agents, distributors and festival representatives
 10:00–10:30 Morning Coffee

Stadthaus/1st Floor

Lithuanian Film Centre

Jimmv's Diner

10:30-11:00 connectingPOINT

Stadthaus/Zielona Góra
Meet in an organised networking session
with upcoming filmmakers participating in
the FilmFestival Cottbus and the Cottbus
Next Generation producers workshop. In
collaboration with Filmarket Hub.
We would then invite you to continue your talks
and get to know the city of Cottbus at

11:15–12:15 connectingWALK

Tour – starting from Stadthaus/Foyer (sign up in advance at guest@connecting-cottbus.de) Walking tour to explore the historical center of Cottbus – join us for some fresh air and discover what makes this city special.

12:30–13:30 Networking Lunch (by invitation only) Restaurant Lindner	
13:30–14:00 Coffee & Dessert	
Stadthaus/1 st Floor 14:00–14:10 WELCOME TO cocoPITCH!	
(for all coco participants)	
Stadthaus/Ratssaal 14:15–15:30 cocoPITCH BLOCK I (order of projects tbc)	
Stadthaus/Ratssaal	09:00-
15:30–16:00 Coffee Break – hosted by indaHash	09:00-
Stadthaus/1st Floor	10:00-
16:00–17:10 cocoPITCH BLOCK II (order of projects tbc)	
Stadthaus/Ratssaal	p
17:15–18:15 Request Meetings	E
Stadthaus/Foyer	t
17:30–18:40 Marketing Indie Films:	C
Fresh Ideas for two cocoPITCH Projects	is
with Mathias Noschis (Alphapanda), in	t
collaboration with Creative Europe Desk	
Berlin-Brandenburg	1
Mathias will present his analysis of two of the	1
pitched projects to discuss what to take into	
consideration when marketing indie films, in-	11:00-
cluding social media marketing as part of the	
development strategy.	11:40-
18:40–19:00 Micro-Influencers:	2
Reaching Out to Audiences	- V
with Philipp Greulich (indaHash influencer	Ċ
marketing platform)	A
Stadthaus/Ratssaal	n
If you ever wondered why there is a hype	F
around influencer marketing and how it can	C
help you to communicate with your potential	F
audiences in an authentic way, or if you don't	t
know what a micro-influencer is, you should	C
attend this talk.	
20:00-22:30 Award Dinner - hosted by	13:00-
Medienboard Berlin-Brandenburg &	
MDM Mitteldeutsche Medienförderung	
	14:00-
Restaurant Zelig	14:00—
Restaurant Zelig	14:00- 16:30-

FRIDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

-12:40 one2one Meetings (by appointment) Stadthaus/Ratsaal -12:00 A Brief Introduction to Blockchain and potential Applications in the Media Industry with Erwin M. Schmidt (FilmTech Office) Blockchain is one of the most widely discussed technologies today and we are either excited or worried about the concept. But what exactly is the blockchain? What are potential applications, for production, distribution, recoupment and audience engagement? 10:00–11:00 Stadthaus/Zielona Góra: overall introduction with Q&A 11:00-12:00 Stadthaus/Montreuil: detailed exploration in round table format -11:40 Coffee Break Stadthaus/1st Floor -13:00 Focus coco: 20 years connecting cottbus with Vladimir Blaževski (director, Macedonia), Ognjen Glavonić (director, Serbia), Anna Palenchuk (producer, Ukraine) and others. *moderated by* Martin Blaney Focus coco looks at the progress of coco alumni projects. Four films are screening at FFC 2018. others are in the works or have made their way into festivals and cinemas. some onto the entry list of the Academy Awards. Stadthaus/Zielona Góra -14:00 Networking Lunch Restaurant Lindner -17:00 one2one Meetings (by appointment) Stadthaus/Ratssaal -18:30 See you next year! Farewell Reception - hosted by Transilvania International Film Festival Stadthaus/1st Floor