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SERVICE PROVISION AGREEMENT

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Between the undersigned:

LE GROUPE OUEST

Association under the French law of 1901, whose office and correspondence address is La Gare, 29890 Plouñéour Brignogan Plages – FRANCE.

Hereby represented by Mr Paul Huon, President, inhabited for the purposes hereof.

Hereinafter referred to as « LE GROUPE OUEST ».

And

Lithuanian Film Center

whose office and correspondence address is Zigmanto Sierakausko st. 15, LT-03105, Vilnius, Lithuania

Hereby represented by Laimonas Ubavičius, CEO of Lithuanian Film Centre, inhabited for the purposes hereof.

Hereinafter referred to as « LFC ».

WHEREAS a public procurement has been completed: procurement tender No. VP-129, 2024 May 28th; procurement method: unannounced written survey, in accordance with the Law on Public Procurement of the Republic of Lithuania, the LE GROUPE OUEST has been recognised as the winner of the Procurement

Hereinafter referred to as “Parties” and “Partners”.

IT HAS BEEN PRELIMINALLY EXPOSED AS FOLLOWS:

LE GROUPE OUEST is a European Film Lab which has a consistent and unique experience in organizing training and coaching through residential programs in the field of project development for writers, directors, and producers since 2006. LE GROUPE OUEST has been developing a specific approach to coach the writers and film professionals at the early stage of the script development within the frame of the European programme Less is More / LIM.

LE GROUPE OUEST's approach

- Workshops disconnected from the urban world for a better immersion in the process
- New corpus of tools every year, result of a constant iteration process
- More than 50 international consultants experienced in different writing fields (cinema (fiction and documentary), literature, series, video games)
- Systematic combination of perspective and complementary approaches of tutors
- Constant debriefing between the core team and tutors
- Building the methodological approach and content in close connexion with the partner and participants' needs
- Inclusion of development collaborators in workshops (creative producers, commissioning editors, etc.)

LE GROUPE OUEST's specific tools

- The use of oral storytelling to reinforce narrative instinct as well intellectual plasticity
- Stimulation of design phases prior to writing
- Playing with group dynamics facilitating collective emulation and co-elaborations in writing rooms
- Projection and mapping of ideas on boards (cartographic perspective)
- Use of Rhizome Theory as a tool to reinforce projects' depth
- Creative tools and set ups allowing authors to explore a wider range of narrative possibilities

THE PARTNERS collaborates with LE GROUPE OUEST & LIM for the realization of specific workshop to explore tools, interactions and writers' and/or industry's needs at early development, so as to build together consistent and collective collaborations and understanding between the respective industry's members. In the perspective of a broader collaboration in the years to come.

This service agreement is established for 2024.

By this contract, the Parties sets the terms of their commitments, as defined below:

It is hereby approved and agreed on the following:

Article 1: Object

The Parties establish a partnership within the framework of LIM by Le Groupe Ouest, involving the Estonian Film Institute, the National Film Center of Latvia and the Lithuanian Film Center to contribute to the training and brainstorming of film commissioners and writer-directors from those three countries. This first year of collaboration being a foreword for a potential workshop for filmmakers from all three countries, to favor collaborations among themselves.

LE GROUPE OUEST shall render the following phases for the benefit of LFC:

Workshop || September 16 to 20, 2024

- Travel days included;
- Which goal is to explore tools, interactions and writers' and/or industry's needs at this very peculiar stage that is the early development so as to build together consistent and collective collaborations and understanding between the respective industry's members;
- For up to 12 participants; 4 per country and so 4 selected by LFC.

LFC is in charge of

- Selecting the 4 participants from its country
- Booking and financial covering for travels to Brest (France) for each of its participants.

LE GROUPE OUEST team is in charge of

- Scouting, testing, hiring and training 1 to 2 appropriate tutors;
- Coordination and preparation of the methodological content of the workshops and debrief with tutors during the workshops;
- Coordination on-site (venue, meals, accommodation and commuting).

Article 2: Financial Counterpart

LFC undertakes to pay LE GROUPE OUEST with the total amount of € 5.725 (five thousand and seven hundred twenty-five euros), including all the relevant taxes applicable in the territory of France, for the services specified in this contract.

The amount set above shall be transferred by the LFC to the bank account of the LE GROUPE OUEST number: FR76 1290 6000 2800 2494 0785 508, swift code: AGRIFRPP829 in the Bank Crédit Agricole du Finistère not later than within 20 (twenty) working days after the provision of all services specified in the agreement, after the date of receipt of an invoice.

Article 3: Respective commitments

LE GROUPE OUEST covers for its team and consultants' fees and all the conception of the workshop adjusted to the specific needs of LFC.

LFC covers financially for

- Travels for each of their participant's to Brest

LE GROUPE OUEST covers for

- Venue
- Accommodation for all participants, tutor(s) and coordinator
- Material for the workshop (AV, boards, pencils, etc.)
- A person to be available during the workshop to help with logistics on-site.
- Meals for participants, LIM's team member and tutor(s) during the workshop.

The selection of the participants, remains at LFC's charge.

Scriptwriters' application shall be based on a treatment for a feature film at an early stage (which can be in their own language) and on a 5 minutes video telling the story in English.

For the other professional, a 5 minutes video telling their expectations and their relation to storytelling, in English, is needed.

LE GROUPE OUEST needs to receive information about the participants (resumes and a link to a previous film subtitled in English) and videos at least 2 weeks before the start of the workshop.

Article 4: Workshop

The Workshop is of 3 full days duration, on September 17, 18 and 19.

They are made for up to 12 participants; 4 per each country

made of

- 2 scriptwriters/directors, attending with an early-stage project for feature film per country;
- 2 Fund representatives (film commissioners, Head of department, etc.).

The workshop is driven by 1 or 2 experienced script consultants.

Participants should arrive the day prior to the workshop (on the 16th Sep) for an introductory session and have diner all together with the consultants and the organising team in order to favour a trustful, warm and caring atmosphere ahead of the workshop.

Article 5: Sustainability

LFC and LE GROUPE OUEST commit to collaborate closely to introduce the notion of sustainability and diversity in the scheme.

Article 6: Duration

This Agreement is concluded upon the signing of the presents and is set for 2024.

Article 7: Intellectual Property & Promotion

- 7.1 This Agreement does not confer any rights to both Parties on each other's brand and logo. Any use, affixing or reproduction not provided for in this Contract must be the subject of prior written exchange between the Parties.
- 7.2 THE PARTIES agrees to authorize LE GROUPE OUEST the use of LFC's name, brand and logo pending in its communication in connection with the advertising, publicizing, marketing and promotion of the project, all in the broadest sense of the word, in any and all media now known or hereafter devised, throughout the LIM programme period and up to a year following the end of the contract, without additional compensation.
- 7.3 Likewise, LE GROUPE OUEST agrees that LFC may use LIM's name and brand and logo pending in its communication and presentations linked to the project.

Article 8: Non-competition clause

LFC undertakes, as from the signature and for a period of 36 months, not to call upon the services – directly or indirectly - of any of the tutors and experts engaged within the framework of the execution of this agreement except through Le Groupe Ouest for the implementation of an equivalent workshop, using the same tools and methods.

Article 9: Termination and cancellation

In the event of non-compliance by one or other of the Parties with any of the obligations incumbent upon it under this Contract and three days after receipt by the defaulting party of a formal notice executed by registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt and remained ineffective, the on-defaulting party may terminate the Agreement as of right by registered letter with acknowledgement of receipt, without the need to perform any judicial formalities and while retaining the right to claim damages.

Article 10: Force Majeure

No party can be held responsible for the other for a breach of its contractual obligations in the event that this breach is exclusively caused by a consequential force majeure event within the meaning of the law and case law.

Force majeure is an event outside the control of the Parties, that is to say, unpredictable, irresistible and external, such as – without the list being exhaustive – natural disaster, strike, social unrest and riots, embargo war, lock-out, epidemic, non-availability of means of transport, etc. The economic cause does not constitute and event of force majeure.

Article 11: Assignment

This Agreement is concluded in consideration of each of the Parties. It is therefore non-transferable without the express prior consent of the other party.

Article 12: Integrity / Modification of the contract

This Agreement, including its preamble and annexes, constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties relating to its subject matter. It replaces all verbal and written agreements prior to signing and may relate to it.

Any amendment to any provision of this Agreement shall be evidenced in writing, for important points in writing signed by both Parties.

Article 13: Applicable Law / Disputes

This Agreement shall exclusively be governed by and construed in accordance with French law and the Brest Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction hereof. In case of disputes arising from this agreement, the Parties shall first try to settle the dispute by means of Mediation within 15 days.

Done in 2 copies, in Brignogan Plounéour Plages, on 2024, July the 18th

LE GROUPE OUEST
Paul Huon, President

LITHUANIAN FILM CENTRE
LAIMONAS UBAVIČIUS, CEO

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