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The 52nd Berlin International Film Festival Awards the *Berlinale Kamera* to Constantin Costa-Gavras

The *Berlinale Kamera* is presented to film personalities that the Berlin International Film Festival feels especially indebted to. The Berlinale expresses its acknowledgement and thanks with the bestowment of this honour. Since 1986, the *Berlinale Kamera* has been donated by the Berliner jeweller, David Goldberg.

At 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 13, at the Berlinale Palast screening of *Amen.*, Dieter Kosslick will present a Berlinale Kamera to

## CONSTANTIN COSTA-GAVRAS

Actor Armin Mueller-Stahl, who played the Hungarian immigrant, Mike Laszlo, in Costa Gavras' film *Music Box*, will serve as laudator during the ceremony. Oscar-winner Gavras (*Z*, 1969) has presented several films at the Berlinale, including *Conseil de Famille* (Panorama, 1987), *Music Box* (Golden Bear, 1990), *Petite Apocalypse* (Competition, 1993) and *Missing* (1996). With their controversial themes, Mr. Costa-Gavras' films consistently counter oppression and intolerance in various political arenas.

Festival Director Dieter Kosslick: "Constantin Costa-Gavras is one of the most accomplished political film producers in the history of the cinema. It is a pleasure and honour to recognize this remarkable artist with a *Berlinale Kamera* at the screening of *Amen.*, a film in the Competition category at the Berlinale."

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