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## Cinema Needs Talent: Looking for the Right People Berlinale Talent Campus #8, February 13 - 18, 2010

From February 13-18, 2010, the *Berlinale Talent Campus* will open its doors at the Theater Hebbel am Ufer and welcome 350 young filmmakers from all over the world during the Berlin International Film Festival.

The eighth *Berlinale Talent Campus* will address the theme "Cinema Needs Talent: Looking for the Right People". For many filmmakers, teaming up with the right people to inspire and support them and to create a collective vision is the essential element of successful filmmaking. The upcoming *Berlinale Talent Campus* will tap into these thoughts and ask how the development of personal craftsmanship and the experience of choosing the right people intertwine to build gainful long-term creative collaborations. "Teamwork is the key to success. It's about daring to ask the vital questions together in order to exceed your own limits and to keep that one essential goal in sight: to make a great film. This theme also reflects the *Campus*, which has, since the beginning, strived to connect young international filmmakers with their colleagues and established professionals, always in the spirit of encouraging collaborative filmmaking", says Programme Manager Matthijs Wouter Knol.

The application deadline for the *Berlinale Talent Campus* #8 is October 7, 2009. Producers, directors, actors, cinematographers, screenwriters, editors, production designers, film composers, sound designers, film journalists and visual artists from all over the world are invited to apply online through the *Campus* website, www.berlinale-talentcampus.de.

The *Campus* application also includes applications for the numerous additional hands-on training programmes: Talent Press, Score Competition, Doc- and Script Station, Talent Project Market, Campus Studio and Berlin Today Award.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Talent Campus Durban, South Africa

The second edition of *Talent Campus Durban* will take place from 24-28 July, 2009, during the 30th Durban International Film Festival. For five days, young African filmmakers will examine the theoretical and practical approaches to filmmaking under the motto "Roots and Shoots: Creating a New African Cinema". Particular focus will be given to developing new partnerships within the African filmmaking world. "We are very happy about the success of the *Campus* Abroad projects that we've organised in cooperation with film festivals in Durban, Sarajevo, Guadalajara and Buenos Aires. The *Berlinale Talent Campus* is one of the Berlinale's strongest exports," says *Campus* Project Manager Christine Tröstrum. More information is available at: <a href="http://www.cca.ukzn.ac.za/talentdiff2009.htm">www.cca.ukzn.ac.za/talentdiff2009.htm</a>

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