

## Pressemitteilung



### Berlinale:

#### Two *World Cinema Fund* films in Venice

Following the Palme d'Or success of the *World Cinema Fund* (WCF) film *Uncle Boonmee Who Can Recall His Past Lives*, now two WCF-funded films will also screen at the Venice Film Festival (September 1-11, 2010): *Post Mortem*, by Chilean director Pablo Larrain (*Tony Manero*) will be shown in the Competition section. The film was produced by Fabula (Chile), Canana Films (Mexico) and German partner Autentika Films.

The Dominican film *Jean Gentil*, by Laura Amelia Guzmán and Israel Cárdenas (*Cochochi*) will screen in the section Orizzonti. Producers are Aurora Dominicana (Dominican Republic), Canana Films (Mexico) and the German production company Bärbel Mauch Film.

The WCF Jury had recommended funding for both films in July 2009.

Since its establishment in 2004, the WCF has awarded production and distribution funding to a total of 73 projects chosen from 1,275 submissions from Africa, Latin America, the Middle East, Central and South East Asia, and the Caucasus. All of the WCF films completed so far have screened in cinemas and/or in the programmes of renowned international film festivals - proof of the international success of the initiative.

The *World Cinema Fund* is an initiative of the **German Federal Cultural Foundation** and the **Berlin International Film Festival** in cooperation with the **Goethe Institute**.



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