

Terms and Conditions

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1 Subject of agreement

P.AiR.S endows a project development residency for an independent Swiss short film production. The residency consists of a maximum seven-week stay in Sigriswil in January and February 2025 and is aimed at filmmakers (writers/directors) with a short film project in development.

The time and duration of the stay are fixed and cannot be split up or postponed. No money will be paid out. One short film project per year will be funded. A jury of experts selects the funded project. The winner is announced at the Industry Awards Ceremony of Internationale Kurzfilmtage Winterthur.

2 Selection process

A panel of Kurzfilmtage representatives reviews the submissions and selects three projects to invite to the festival. During the festival's Industry Events, participants receive pitching training on Friday, 8 November 2024. The pitching session itself will be held in English on Saturday, 9 November 2024, in front of a jury of experts. In-person attendance on both days is mandatory. Travel costs and meals are not covered.

The projects must be selected unanimously. In special cases, the jury may ask for the opinion of an independent person. The three-person expert jury consists of representatives of Kurzfilmtage and the film industry.

An application cannot be accepted for evaluation if it was submitted and rejected in a previous round of applications. Furthermore, a project can only be supported once.

Decisions are irrevocable and are usually communicated to applicants two weeks before the award is made. Applicants are not entitled to a statement of reasons.

3 General terms and conditions

The application must be signed by the director(s) of the film.

Applications must be submitted in English and contain the following:

- Signed application form
- Exposé (max. 2 pages) and storyboard (if available)
- Budget and financing plan (if available)
- Bio-/filmography
- 3-minute pitch on the project*

*via Vimeo, WeTransfer or another file-sharing platform

All promotional materials as well as the film's opening and closing credits must contain the following mention of the project's financing/support:

The logos of P.AiR.S and Kurzfilmtage right before or after mention of the public or private institutions that co-financed the work. The award must be mentioned under "Credits" as follows: Internationale Kurzfilmtage Winterthur, P.AiR.S for a Project Development Residency 2024.

4 Formal criteria

The call for entries is usually announced two months in advance. Applicants are notified of their invitation to the pitching session in writing, two weeks before the Industry Awards Ceremony. Swiss fiction, documentary, animation, experimental, or art films are eligible. The film's length must not exceed 30 minutes.

The following are not eligible: school films (including graduation films) and films by students currently enrolled in a film course, installations and performative projects, didactic film projects and teaching materials.

Filmmakers and producers who are Swiss citizens or who live and work in Switzerland can apply.

The services must be received in full within the agreed timeframe. Postponement, splitting, or shortening is not possible.

5 Services

The services consist of:

- Residency in the Paradiesli artists' residence in Sigriswil in January and February 2025. (In-person attendance for the full duration of the residency is desirable; exceptions are possible in consultation with P.AiR.S.)
- 6–7 weeks stay
- Accommodation and a workspace in the Paradiesli in Sigriswil
- At the end of the residency, P.AiR.S will host a public discussion and a joint exhibition featuring other artists who work in visual arts.

6 Applicable law

These Terms and Conditions are subject to Swiss law exclusively. This provision applies to all agreements entered into under this document or any supplements. The place of jurisdiction is Zurich, Canton of Zurich.

7 Final provisions

These regulations are effective on 1 July 2024.

Any changes to the present document must be approved by P.AiR.S.

8 Application deadline

Complete applications must be submitted electronically to: industry@kurzfilmtage.ch

(with "P.AiR.S for a Project Development Residency 2024/25" in the subject line) by 10 October 2024, 23:59.