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## 6th Panorama of the European Film

Misr International Films and the Delegation of the European Union to Egypt are proud to launch the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Panorama of the European Film, which will take place from the 27<sup>th</sup> of November until December 7<sup>th</sup>. The Panorama showcases award-winning feature and documentary productions from across Europe. This year, the Panorama will expand its scope by having an additional screen and by extending its duration to 10 days. The European Union Delegation is one of the major contributors to the annual event.

Films will be screened in 3 different venues across the capital: Cinema Galaxy (Manial), Stars Cinema (Heliopolis) and Plaza Cinemas (Sheikh Zayed) from November 27<sup>th</sup> until December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Launched in 2004, the initiative has attracted an increasing number of spectators due to the quality of its selection, the company's policy of only screening uncensored films, and the rich exchanges, debates and various master-classes with international guests.

This year's team is working under the supervision of director and producer Marianne Khoury, founder of the Panorama and co-manager of Misr International Films, to bring to local audiences a selection of over 40 films from the world with a special focus on Europe. The Panorama will consist of 6 sections:

1. **"European Cinema":** The core of the selection consists of European productions from the past year, focusing on critically-acclaimed titles from renowned festivals worldwide.

2. **“Documentary Rendez-vous”**: Documentaries from both Europe and the Arab world and a special selection of films created under the Euromed Audiovisual III program.
3. **“Emerging Directors”**: First launched last year, this section celebrates the remarkable work of upcoming directors and offers them a platform to showcase their work.
4. **“Education & Cinema”**: Students from numerous schools and different age groups will have the possibility of watching films, which not only aim at nurturing their passion for cinema, but will also teach them the virtues of debate and critical thinking in an ever-changing Egyptian landscape.
5. **“Panorama Classics”**: A new section to introduce to the Egyptian audience classic films that have left a mark on cinematic history. These films have been re-mastered and restored to meet the modern standards of digital projection.
6. **“Short Films”**: Five short films shedding light on the realities of women in Egypt will also be screened during the Panorama. These films are the fruit of the “Women in the New Egypt” project, which is collaboration between Misr International Films and the British Embassy.

The 10 days of the Panorama will offer special events celebrating cinema. Every screening will be followed by a series of debates or master-classes in the presence of Egyptian and international guests.

The team of the Panorama of the European Film will hold a press conference to announce all details about the upcoming Panorama on Sunday, the 17th of November at the Marriott Hotel in Zamalek at 6:00 pm.

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