



SET EYES ON EUROPE IN LOVE AT THE 17th EUROPEAN UNION FILM FESTIVAL

New Delhi, 14 March 2012 – The 17th edition of the European Union Film Festival is back, bringing “Europe in Love” to the Indian audiences. Screening films from as many as 25 EU countries, the festival starts in Delhi today and continues till 25th March 2012. All the film screenings will be held in the British Council, 17 Kasturba Gandhi Marg, including the opening film from United Kingdom, *'The Deep Blue Sea'* directed by Mr Terence Davies at 6pm today.

The festival will then travel to other major cities of India including Bangalore, Pune, Chennai, Kolkata, Goa, concluding in Hyderabad. All the films being showcased in this festival have English subtitles and the entry is free on first come, first served basis.

Speaking on the occasion, the **Ambassador of the European Union, H.E. Dr João Cravinho** said, "I am very happy to present the 17th EU Film Festival to the Indian audiences. This is the strongest representation we have ever had in this festival. I think it truly reflects the European Union – 25 nations joining hands to speak in one voice but preserving their cultural identities and respecting one another."

Themed on "Europe in Love" and narrating engaging stories about Europe, the festival will offer the viewers a heady cocktail of cultural diversity that Europe is known for. This year's selection of films, 12 of which have been awarded domestically and/or internationally, is bound together by one central thread, telling different stories about Europe and its countries, languages and histories.

“Viewers will find that many of these films involve more than one country, which is the reality of modern lives all over the world. I believe that Indian film buffs as well as those wishing to learn more about Europe will find the EUFF2012 a rewarding experience," **adds the Ambassador of the European Union.**

The EU Film Festival is organised by the Delegation of the European Union and the Embassies of the EU Member States in India, in collaboration with a number of partners: Alliance Francaise, British Council, Goethe Institut / Max Mueller Bhavan, Federation of Film Societies of India, Suchitra Film Society and Karnataka Chalanachitra Academy, Indo-Cine Appreciation Foundation, Cine Central Calcutta, Entertainment Society of Goa, etc.

For schedules, trailers, synopses and more information, please go to www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/india/more_info
<https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/EU-Cultural-Events-in-India/303445429667300>

List of Awards won by the movies showcased in the EUFF 2012

BELGIUM / MY QUEEN KARO / 3

2010: Price of the Youth Jury (Créteil International Women's Film Festival) / Best scenario (Dorothee Van Den Berghé) and Best Actress (Anna Franziska Jaeger).

DENMARK / ACHING HEARTS / 4

2010: Price of the best costume design, best make-up and best production design (Robert Festival). 2009: Price of Golden Goblet for the Best Actress (Shanghai International Festival).

FRANCE / ROMANTICS ANONYMOUS / 1

2011: Cesar of Best Actress

GERMANY / THE POLL DIARIES / 4 and 1 nomination

2011: German Film Awards: Gold Film Award for the Best Cinematography, the Best Costume Design, the Best Performance by an Actor in a Supporting Role and the Best Production Design.

Nomination: 2011, German Film Awards, Gold Film Award, Best Makeup.

IRELAND / ONCE / 17

2007: CFCA Award, Best Original Score; Russel Smith Award, John Carney; Special Mention, John Carney; Audience Award, John Carney; FFCC Award, Best Original Song; Youth Jury Award, John Carney; LAFCA Award, Best Music; NBR Award, Top Independent Film; PFCS Award, Best Original Song, Audience Award, World Cinema - Dramatic.

2008: OSCAR, Best Achievement in Music Written for Motion Pictures, Original Song; Critics Choice Award, Best Song; COFCA Award, Best Score; Chlotrudis Award, Best Movie; Evening Standard British Film Award, Most Promising Newcomer; Independent Spirit Award, Best Foreign Film; Grand Prize, John Carney;

SPAIN / CAMINO / 19

2009: Butaca Award, Best Catalan Film, Best Catalan Film Actress; Gaudí Award, Best European Film; Goya Award, Best Actress, Best Director, Best Film, Best New Actress, Best Screenplay – Original, Best Supporting Actor; Sant Jordi Award, Best Film, Best Spanish Actress; Award of the Spanish Actors Union, Film: Lead Performance, Female, Film: Lead Performance, Male, Film: Performance in a Minor Role, Female, Film: Supporting Performance, Male; Audience Award, Best Spanish Film; Special Award, Javier Fesser; Turia Award, Best Actress.

2011: Premio ACE, Best New Actress.

BULGARIA / SOMETHING MORE ABOUT LOVE / 1 nomination

2009: Official Selection, Bulgarian Feature Film Festival Golden Rose

CZECH REPUBLIC / YOU KISS LIKE GOD / 1

2010: Czech Lions, Box Office Award

GREECE / TOUCH OF SPICE / 10

2003: [Thessaloniki Film Festival](#), Audience Award: Greek Festival; Greek Competition Award: Best Cinematography, Best Director, Best Editing, Best Fiction Film, Best Music, Best Screenplay, Best Set Design, Best Sound; Greek Union of Film and Television Technicians Award: [Tassos Boulmetis](#).

LUXEMBOURG / BRIDE FLIGHT / 3 and 1 nomination

2008: [Golden and Platin Film, Netherlands](#), Golden Film;

2009: [Nederlands Film Festival](#), Golden Calf: Best Supporting Actress; Rembrandt Award: Best Film Song.

Nomination: [Nederlands Film Festival](#), Golden Calf: Best Supporting Actor.

NETHERLANDS / SONNY BOY / 1

2011: [Stony Brook Film Festival](#), Audience Choice Award: Best Feature.

SLOVAKIA / APRICOT ISLAND / 1

2011: Trinecké filmové babí léto, Audience Award - Best Debut.

SWEDEN / DEAR ALICE / 2 nominations

Nomination 2010: [Moscow International Film Festival](#), Golden St. George: [Othman Karim](#).

Nomination 2011: [World Stunt Awards](#), Taurus Award: Best Action in a Foreign Film.

UK / THE DEEP BLUE SEA / 1 nomination

2011: [London Film Festival](#), Best Film.

ANNEXURE
-The EU Film Festival Schedule-
DELHI (14-25 March 2012)

Venue: British Council, 17 Kasturba Gandhi Marg, Connaught place							
Date	Time	Country	Title (English)	Title (original)	Director	Year	Running
14.03	<i>opening film: 6.00 pm</i>	UK	The Deep Blue Sea	Deep Blue Sea	Terence Davies	2011	98 min
15.03	6:00 PM	GERMANY	Poll Diaries	Poll	Chris Kraus	2010	129 min
16.03	6:00 PM	POLAND	Dance Marathon	Maraton tańca	Magdalena Holland-Lazarkiewicz	2010	97 min
	8:00 PM	SPAIN	Camino	Camino	Javier Fesser	2008	143 min
17.03	2:30 PM	ROMANIA	Meekness	Umilinta	Catalin Apostol	2011	86 min
	4:30 PM	SLOVENIA	Personal Baggage	Osebna Prtljaga	Janez Lapajne	2009	124 min
	7:00 PM	FRANCE	Romantics Anonymous	Les Emotifs anonymes	Jean-Pierre Améris	2010	80 min
18.03	2:30 PM	HUNGARY	Chameleon	Kaméleon	Krisztina Goda	2008	105 min
	4:30 PM	NETHERLANDS	Sonny Boy	Sonny Boy	Maria Peters	2011	131 min
	7:00 PM	CZECH REPUBLIC	You Kiss Like God	Libas jako buh	Marie Polednakova	2009	116 min
19.03	6:00 PM	ESTONIA	A Friend of Mine	Üks minu sõber	Mart Kivastik	2011	90 min
	8:00 PM	MALTA	Kont Diġa'	Kont Diġa'	Mark Dingli	2009	92 min
20.03	6:00 PM	SWEDEN	Dear Alice	För kärleken	Ortman Karim	2010	97 min
	8:00 PM	BULGARIA	Something More About Love	Още нещо за любовта	Magdalena Ralcheva	2010	93 min
21.03	6:00 PM	AUSTRIA	Black Brown White	Black Brown White	Erwin Wagenhofer	2011	100 min
	8:00 PM	FINLAND	If You Love	Jos Rakastat	Neil Hardwick	2010	121 min
23.03	6:00 PM	BELGIUM	My Queen Karo	My Queen Karo	Dorothee Van Den Berghe	2009	105 min
	8:00 PM	DENMARK	Aching Hearts	Kærestesorger	Nils Malmros	2009	125 min
24.03	2:30 PM	LITHUANIA	Tadas Blinda. The Legend Is Born	Tadas Blinda. Pradžia	Donatas Ulvydas	2011	110 min
	4:30 PM	GREECE	Touch of Spice	Πολιτική Κουζίνα	Tasos Boulmetis	2003	108 min
	7:00 PM	SLOVAKIA	Apricot Island	Marhuľový ostrov	Peter Bebjak	2011	102 min
25.03	2:30 PM	PORTUGAL	Beauty and the Paparazzo	A Bela e o Paparazzo	António-Pedro Vasconcelos	2010	106 min
	4:30 PM	ITALY	Weddings and Other Disasters	Matrimoni e altri disastri	Nina Di Majo	2009	102 min
	7:00 PM	LUXEMBOURG	Bride Flight	Bride Flight	Ben Sombogaart	2008	130 min