

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## "Europe on Screen" features 62 acclaimed films

Now in its 15th year, the European Film Festival in Indonesia "Europe on Screen" (EOS) 2015 will be screening 62 films from highly acclaimed European filmmakers and/or producers.

EOS 2015 will take place from 1 to 10 May 2015 in six cities across Indonesia: Jakarta, Bandung, Denpasar, Medan, Surabaya and Yogyakarta. All films will be screened for FREE.

"I hope that Europe on Screen 2015 continues to spread the message of intercultural understanding and to build bridges between people with different beliefs, ideas and values - something that is more important than ever in this era of globalisation," said **Mr Colin Crooks**, Acting EU Ambassador to Indonesia.

**Mr Orlow Seunke**, EOS 2015 Festival Director said: "For Europe on Screen 2015 we once again have an exciting line-up of films. Among them are two Oscar winners and the Golden Palm Winner of Cannes". These three films are:

- "Ida" (2013) Oscar 2015 Best Foreign Language Film
- "Citizen Four" (2014) Oscar 2015 Best Documentary Feature
- "Winter Sleep" (2014) Cannes 2014 Palme d'Or

For the Opening Night, EOS 2015 will feature "The 100 year old man who climbed out the window and disappeared", a 2013 Swedish comedy film directed by Felix Herngren. The Closing Night will feature "Life's a Breeze", a 2013 Irish comedy film directed by Lance Daly.

The Festival will also include a special segment of six films for children and eight films for the open air screenings – all subtitled in Bahasa Indonesia. Accompanying the film programme are special guests, workshops and film discussions.

For the last four years, the EOS has been keen to tap into the creative energy of Indonesia and promote the talents and creative vision of aspiring Indonesian film makers. The 5th EOS Short Film Competition, which took place from January to March 2015, received an astounding number of entries – a total of 267 short films. The films of nine finalists will be screened during the festival; and the winners will be announced during the Festival's Closing Night.

The European Film Festival is a joint initiative of the European diplomatic and cultural missions in Indonesia. The Festival was held for the 1st time in Indonesia in 1990 and followed by the 2nd Festival in 1999. As of 2003, the Festival has been held annually under the banner: "Europe on Screen".

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