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Council of Europe partners with Sarajevo Film Festival

Date: 12-20 August 2009

Place: Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Organisation: Council of Europe, on the occasion of the Sarajevo Film Festival

Description: For the second year running, the Council of Europe supports the Sarajevo Film Festival and sponsors the main "Heart of Sarajevo" award for the best feature film.

The Sarajevo Film Festival is a natural choice for the Council of Europe for promoting its activities and values of cultural diversity, mutual respect and freedom of expression.

The Council of Europe also recognises that directors from South-Eastern Europe whose films are selected for the Sarajevo Film Festival, have been choosing themes that correspond largely to the Council of Europe's core values, most dealing with social commentary and human rights.

At this year's festival, the Council of Europe will also present its most recent Europe-wide anti-discrimination campaign "Speak out against discrimination" and the television spot produced for the campaign.

Actors Mickey Rourke and Gillian Anderson are among a number of world famous cinema professionals attending this year's event.

Requests for interviews with the Council of Europe officials, photos and video material (professional quality) should be sent to the press officer below.

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