



Brussels CoProMarket SHORT FILM SESSIONS

RULES & REGULATIONS

CALL FOR PROJECTS 2026

1. PRESENTATION & ORGANISATION

The **Brussels CoProMarket** is an initiative that aims at supporting promising films in development and connecting them with potential partners. It is divided in two different sections: **Short** and **Feature Film**.

The Brussels CoProMarket : Short Film Sessions will take place during the 29th Brussels Short Film Festival (22.04 > 02.05.2026), from **Tuesday April 28th until Wednesday April 29th 2026**.

European and Belgian producers looking for a co-producer are invited to submit their short film projects.

A maximum of 13 projects will be selected to take part in the CoProMarket.

The producers of the selected projects will be invited to present their projects to an audience of potential co-producers.

The **selected projects will be announced in April 2026** to European producers, broadcasters, who are invited to secure attendance to the pitching session and one-on-one meetings.

The event will consist of:

- Pitching session of selected projects
- One-to-one business meetings
- Personal pitching coachings
- Masterclass
- Invitation to convivial networking events

If selected, producers will have the opportunity to:

- Pitch their project in front of important Belgian and European producers.
- Have individual meetings with different professionals to defend their project.
- Build contacts to find public and private funding for their projects in case of an agreement.
- Take part in the Brussels Short Film Festival (*see details : 4. "invitation for foreign producers"*).



English will be the working language during the CoProMarket and selected producers will be asked to pitch in English. Therefore, a good level of English is advised for anyone willing to participate in the market.

2. Awards

Music & Cinema Award - In partnership with the Festival International du Film MUSIC & CINEMA in Marseille:

Producers looking for a composer to develop an original score for their project can apply to the **Music & Cinema Award** as well.

The award will be granted during the Brussels CoProMarket and the awarded project will automatically be selected to be part of the European Market for Film Music Composition of the Festival International du Film MUSIC & CINEMA.

ShorTO Film Market Award - In partnership with ShorTO Film Market in Turin:

Thanks to the collaboration with **the Italian Short Film Center** and its **ShorTO Film Market** initiative, one project from the Brussels CoProMarket – Short Film Sessions will take part in the "You Only Pitch Twice" pitching session.

The project's author will be invited to attend the industry event in Turin in November 2026. The selection includes hospitality and pitching training before pitching in front of an audience of industry decision-makers and having one-on-one meetings afterward.

3. APPLICANTS & ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

May apply:

- Belgian producers developing a short film and looking for a co-producer.
- European producers developing a short film and looking for a co-producer and whose company is located in one **of member countries of Creative Europe Programme** (European Union + Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Liechtenstein, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Norway, Serbia, Georgia, Ukraine, Tunisia) **OR** outside of Europe, one of the countries that signed a coproduction agreement with Belgium, the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles and/or Flanders: Burkina Faso, Canada, Chili, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Morocco, Liban, Senegal, Switzerland, Uruguay.

Only projects respecting the following eligibility criteria will be considered:

- The project is a short film (animation, fiction, documentary).
- The duration does not exceed 30 minutes.
- The project must have partial funding granted by a third party organization (public or private, except own investment). For example: script development grant, production fund, state or local government support, investment from a broadcaster, prize money from a foundation or contest, etc.
- The project is suitable or intended for international co-production.



Any producer applying with a project formally commits to attend the Brussels CoProMarket in person in Brussels in case of selection.

4. HOW TO SEND THE APPLICATION?

Eligible producers must **send their application by completing [this form](#) no later than February 8th, 2026.**

Incomplete applications or ineligible projects will not be considered.

Projects will be reviewed and selected by a selection committee of industry professionals. All participants will be informed of the list of **selected projects** for all sections of the **Brussels CoProMarket** in the **end of March 2026.**

The organization is at the disposal of applicants for any question regarding their application.

5. INVITATION FOR FOREIGN PRODUCERS

Foreign producers of selected projects will be invited to Brussels to pitch their project.

The invitation is **available for one producer per project** and include:

- 3 hotel nights and meals (arrival Monday April 27th - departure Friday, Thursday 30th)
- An accreditation to the Brussels Short Film Festival
- Personal pitching coaching session
- Invitation to convivial networking events

A participation fee of 350€ will be charged to each selected producer to cover these costs.

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