



RULES & TERMS

IN DEVELOPMENT: CROATIAN CALL

'In Development' happens in the context of Curtas Pro, the industry section of Curtas Vila do Conde International Film Festival (12–20 July 2025 in Vila do Conde, Portugal). This is a pitching session in which fiction, animation, documentary, or experimental short films in the early stages of development are presented to international programmers, broadcasters, and producers. The best project is awarded by a jury. This event aims to foster partnerships between production companies and international decision makers, around short film projects. In addition to the pitching sessions, it is also a unique opportunity for producers and participants to engage in informal meetings. The event is created in collaboration with the Croatian Audiovisual Centre.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Only projects in the development or pre-production phases, of any genre (fiction, animation, documentary, or experimental), and up to 60 minutes are eligible;
2. Only projects from production companies are eligible;
3. Only projects by Croatian companies are eligible;
4. Neither projects of a corporate, institutional, or tourist nature nor music videos are eligible.

REGULATIONS

1. Submissions to 'In Development' are free;
2. Each company can only apply with a maximum of two projects;
3. Two Croatian projects will be selected;
4. In addition, six projects from different countries will be selected;
5. The projects will be selected by the coordinators of the Industry programme and the management of Curtas Metragens CRL;
6. After confirming the selection, at least one representative of each project must attend the event, from 14 to 15 July 2025;
7. On 14 July, the participants will have a pitching workshop. On the 15th, they will present their projects to the 'In Development' jury;
8. The pitching workshop and the presentation of each project must be in English;
9. With the support from the Croatian Audiovisual Centre, Curtas Pro offers air fares and a three-night stay in Vila do Conde (from 13 to 16 July 2025) for at least one participant per selected project;
10. The awarded project must include in the final credits, upon completion, the following mention: "Project presented at the In Development programme of Curtas Pro" + award laurel;
11. The representatives of the selected projects agree to provide Curtas Pro with the necessary elements for the promotion of their projects, to be included in the

catalogue, website, and official social media of the event.

PROJECT SUBMISSION

1. The submission of projects is done through the platform [Filmchief](#);
2. The application must be written in English;
3. The deadline for applications is 16 May 2025.

NOTIFICATION DATE

Selected projects will be announced by 13 June 2025.

The submission of a project to 'In Development' implies full acceptance of these regulations.

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