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French-German Cultural Council takes over patronage for Braunschweig's KINEMA youth prize

The French-German Cultural Council takes over patronage for the new KINEMA youth prize which will be awarded for the first time at the 21st Braunschweig International film festival (November 6-11).

As general secretary Eva Hoffmann-Müller announced, the Council is very pleased with the development of the school cinema project KINEMA, since the French-German Cultural Council attributes a high significance to both a film education and the neighbour's language.

The Council is convinced of the potential of the interregional cooperation and welcomes the longstanding and successful collaboration between the region Haute-Normandie and Braunschweig International film festival that exists since 2001.

The KINEMA youth prize will be awarded by a jury of five young French and German adults aged 17 to 21. Out of six German and French debut feature films they will select one production in each language.

The three Germans live in Vechelde, Meerbeck and Goettingen in Lower Saxony, Germany. The two French come from Rouen and Sassetot le Mauconduit in Haute-Normandie. They have been selected among participants of the film educational project KINEMA of recent years. German director Gordian Maugg („Zeppelin“, „Hans Warns“) will assist the jury in making their decision.

Since 1988 the French-German Cultural Council is the leading institution of French-German cooperation in the field of arts and culture. The Council represents a creative pool and link between the governments of the two countries and their citizens. Its board consists of 20 members from all fields of culture, literature, music, fine arts, film, theatre, media and science. The Council patronizes initiatives that dedicate themselves primarily to intercultural understanding.

The KINEMA youth prize is supported by the French-German Youth Council, the regions Haute-Normandie and Lower Saxony, the film foundation Pôle Image Haute-Normandie, the Académie de Rouen and TV broadcaster TV5MONDE.

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