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### Budget of German film fund DFFF increased by 50% with new scheme for major international productions

On the occasion of the opening of the 67th Berlin Film Festival (*Berlinale*), German Federal Government Commissioner for Culture and the Media, Monika Grütters, [announced an increase of the German film fund DFFF by EUR 25 million](#) (*press release in German only*) and hinted at further increases from 2018. The fund's 2017 budget will be raised from EUR 50 to 75 million in order to further incentivize international commissioning of German production service providers and to keep German production locations competitive. The additional EUR 25 million will be granted via a new scheme within the DFFF tailored at major productions. The Commissioner said that she was also having ongoing discussions with the German Federal Minister of Finance, and was confident to achieve "further substantial increases of the DFFF budget", also for the benefit of VFX-heavy projects.

DFFF is a German federal film fund that has supported approximately 1100 productions, more than a third of which international co-productions, with almost EUR 600 million since its inception in 2007. Please see our brochure on this fund and other German subsidy schemes for film production [here](#).

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