Decision by Board of Trustees

Berlin, 11 March 2020. During the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the German Film and Television Academy Berlin (DFFB) on Friday, 6 March 2020, the parties – the Board of Trustees and Ben Gibson – decided, by mutual agreement and for various reasons, to end the trustful cooperation, which has existed for years. The Head of Business Affairs, Sandra Braun, will be taking over the position’s duties until further notice.

The Board of Trustees – which includes the Head of the State Chancellery, Christian Gaebler, as Chairperson, Eberhard Junkersdorf (Bioskop Film) as Deputy Chairperson, as well as Kirsten Niehuus (Medienboard Berlin-Brandenburg), Iris Brockmann (Senate Department of Finance), Claudia Tronnier (ZDF – Das kleine Fernsehspiel), Regina Ziegler (Ziegler Film), Martina Zöllner (Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg) and Fabian Gasmia (Detailfilm) – will promptly discuss the next steps.

The conclusions reached in national and international publications are not based on statements by the DFFB.

About the DFFB

The German Film and Television Academy Berlin (DFFB), founded in 1966, is one of the most prominent film schools in Europe. Focusing on the essential crafts of filmmaking, the school offers five specialisations: Screenwriting, Cinematography, Directing, Producing, and Editing & Sound. The DFFB is a place where young filmmakers from Germany and abroad come together to tell stories and to make creative and innovative films. Prominent DFFB graduates include Helke Sander, Chiristian Petzold, Angela Schanelec, Wolfgang Becker, Lars Kraume, and Emily Atef. The DFFB also offers attractive networking and specialisation opportunities through its internationally oriented education programmes: Serial Eyes, NEXT WAVE, UP.GRADE, and Filmnetzwerk Berlin.

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