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## FAR EAST FILM FESTIVAL 21

## The Forces of the FEFF Campus Unite!

## Far East Film Festival invites 10 aspiring global journalists to become part of the FEFF Family.

UDINE – The bonds between the cinemas of East and West continue to strengthen with each passing year and the FEFF Campus will again help further this vital cause by hosting 10 aspiring journalists – five from Asia and five from Europe –at this year's 21<sup>st</sup> edition of the Far East Film Festival in Udine, Italy from April 26<sup>th</sup> to May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

After wading through applications that came in from around the globe, FEFF is very proud to announce that this year's successful Campus candidates are Joyce Siu (Hong Kong, SAR), Yu Shih Chen (Taiwan), Jane Yao (China), Min Woo Park (South Korea), Chit Myat Noe (Myanmar), Lorenzo Teli (Italy), Anna Ellis-Rees (United Kingdom), Arman Fatic (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Jovana Gjorgjiovska (Macedonia), Alvaro Entrenas Bernal (Spain).

They will now be fully hosted by FEFF while engaging in a programme that will help them chart a course into their future careers.

"We are again thrilled to announce this year's successful FEFF Campus members who have impressed us with their passion for Asian cinema – and their fierce desire to learn," said Campus co-ordinator **Mathew Scott**.

"Applications came in from across the globe and it's a hard task choosing just 10 from all the talent we can see out there in the world. Now we are preparing to welcome them to Udine for a unique cross-cultural experience – and a whole lot of fun."

The FEFF Campus programme was initiated with great success in 2015 and will this year continue its commitment to providing a unique opportunity for young journalists to go "behind the scenes" at a film festival, while learning from the expertise provided by a line-up of media and film-industry veterans. This year's Campus will include special seminars related to film-specific

subjects, such as "What It Means to Be a Critic", while the successful candidates will also have the opportunity to interview a selection of the biggest stars in Asia and contribute to a special FEFF newsletter.

They will also have direct access to the ever-popular FEFF Talks series of seminars and guest appearances while also having the opportunity to explore life in the Friuli Venezia Giulia region.

The "business of film" is also high on the agenda for 2019, and the Campus attendees will be able to gain a valuable insight into the inner workings of the industry as FEFF expands its "Focus Asia" industry section, a market dedicated to genre films.

Among the film industry heavyweight to have given up their time to speak and share their insights with the FEFF Campus over the years have been superstars including Jackie Chan, Sammo Hung, Brigitte Lin and Moon So-ri.

The 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the FEFF Campus is this year being supported by Asian film-industry platforms **Easternkicks.com** and **China Film Insider**, which have both offered opportunities for the work produced by the Campus to be published – and to be seen by the world, and also **Europa Cinemas**, **Cineuropa**, and **Telum Media**.

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