**DOCMARKET FURTHER INFORMATION**

**What is Doc Market?**

Doc Market is an opportunity for filmmakers to meet with top decision makers, international funders, broadcasters, distributors and exhibitors on a one to one basis. Pitches will be selected through an application process and pitching teams will be allocated a specific time slot to meet with appropriate industry professionals.

**Who can apply?**

Doc Market is open to all documentary makers from any country however at least one prior credit is essential.

You must only submit one project submission. Submissions must be made through a production company.

Your project can be at any stage of development.

Projects do not need to have financing already in place but must have a finance plan.

Your Pitch Team can have up to three people and must include the director and producer.

**How do I apply?**

If you would like to apply to pitch a new project in Docs Ireland Doc Market in 2020.

Submission to the the Doc Market is free of charge, but should your project be selected for the Marketplace, please note that there will be a fee of £40 to participate to cover administration costs.

Please complete the online form to register your interest.

We will expect all submissions to submit a 2-3 minute teaser/trailer/excerpt.

**What types of projects can I submit?**

We will only accept one project submission per company.

Submitted projects should be 50+ minutes: feature documentaries, television, series or specialised genres and formats.

Your projects must have international appeal.

**What is the timeline for Doc Market submissions?**

There is a fee of £20 to submit your pitch to Doc Market. As there are a set number of slots available this is a competitive process. Please note - a submission does not mean you are guaranteed a slot.

Submissions Open: Sunday 1st December 2019

Submissions Close: Friday 17th April 2020

You will receive an automatic email upon receipt of your submission.

Selection: You will hear if you have been selected by Friday 22nd May 2020. The Market will take place between 10th and 14th June 2020.

Date and venue TBC.

**Project Selection**

This is a competitive process. There are a limited number of spaces within the Doc Market and we anticipate a high number of submissions therefore the panel’s selection decisions are final, and unfortunately we will be unable to provide feedback.

**If our submission is selected, what next?**

You and your pitch team members must attend the Doc Market within the festival period 10th - 14th June 2020 (Specific date TBC). Up to three people should make up your Pitch Team and include the director and producer.

You will be contacted by a member of the Docs Ireland team regarding your Doc Market slot and to answer any questions you may have.

Delegates attending the Doc Market will be provided with your submitted pitch materials. You will be given a final opportunity to review your pitch materials, including synopsis and teaser/trailer and any update information about budget and pitch team members.

**Will Docs Ireland contribute towards travel/accommodation costs of attending and participating in the Doc Market?**

All costs relating to travel and accommodation must be covered by the pitch participants themselves. Visit our Belfast Buzz page for information about accommodation and special offers​.

**What if I’m not selected?**

Our full programme of film events, workshops, talks and panel discussions will be available from May 2020.

Within the programme there will be a variety of opportunities to meet with industry professionals and decision makers.

Visit our **Festival Accreditation** page for information on what is on offer.

*If you have a question which is not covered above please get in touch by emailing your query to submissions@docfestireland.ie*