

Germany offers great opportunities for making marvellous movies















Regional funding

How to get regional funding

The application procedure is basically the same at each of Focus Germany's nine member institutions.

The most important thing to remember is that you will need a German co-producer.

Focus Germany's members allocate around €170 million in soft loans each year to support excellent filmmaking and projects of outstanding quality.

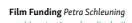
Eligible for funding are ...

- →Almost all genres and formats prior to **shooting** – from mainstream to arthouse, from short film to high-end drama series, from animation to documentary, from drama to comedy.
- → All phases of production from development and preproduction through production to sales and distribution. Some regions also have postproduction funding for VFX/CGI. Film projects likely to generate cultural and economic 'regional effects'.

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→ annual budget €3.1 million

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→ annual budget €18.3 million























National funding

The FFA is one of Germany's national film funding institutions with an annual budget of around €61 million financed by a film levy from the industry itself. The FFA supports feature films at all stages of production and exploitation. For more information visit www.ffa.de/funding.







German Federal Film Fund (DFFF I & DFFF II) and German Motion Picture Fund (GMPF)

The Office of the Federal Government Commissioner for Culture and the Media (BKM) has several programmes providing attractive funding opportunities for international co-productions. The German Federal Film Fund (DFFF) and the German Motion Picture Fund (GMPF) offer up to 25 % of production costs spent in Germany, up to €25 million in funding per film production.

The advantages

- → Non-repayable grant
- → Transparent, automatic support
- → First instalment paid by the start of physical production

max. amount per project €4 million







→ German participation of an international co-production must be at least 20 %



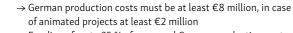
→ At least 25 % of the total production costs must be spent



max. amount per project €25 million



→ For production service providers with responsibility for commissioned films or film sequences with costs of at least €20 million or more



of animated projects at least €2 million

→ Funding of up to 25 % of approved German production costs

For more information www.dfff-ffa.de





max. amount per project €10 million

- → For producers of series with total production costs of at least €30.000 per minute for fictional series and €9.000 per minute
- → For producers of films not for cinema release with total production costs of at least €25 million per film
- → Funding of up to 25 % of approved German production costs

For more information www.ffa.de/gmpf

Focus Germany

Film funding & locations

Wes Anderson, Liam Neeson, Lana Wachowski, Cate Blanchett, Keanu Reeves, Kristen Stewart, Toni Collette, Marion Cotillard, Hilary Swank, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Michael B. Jordan and Adam Driver – they've all heard the good news.

The good news about Germany's seemingly limitless range of shooting locations – from Alpine castles to sandy beaches, from primeval forests to modern urban skylines and a vibrant capital full of historic architecture, the world-class crews, and state-of-the-art studios and postproduction facilities. And not to forget Germany's diversified network of national and regional film funds offering a myriad of financing possibilities to international producers seeking backing for their next film project.

Focus Germany - Your guide to filmmaking in Germany

Focus Germany is the umbrella organisation of nine German regional film funds, supplying the lowdown on the respective funding programmes and their film industry infrastructures.

So, if you would also like to hear the good news about shooting in Germany, don't hesitate to get in contact with us. We're looking forward to working with you!

Contact us!

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Doing the (funding) sums

The funding from the national and regional film funds can be combined in various ways to raise financing for your next film project.

Two examples of financing

Feature film

→ Your budget

→ DFFF approved costs

€38 million

→ DFFF II non-repayable grant €9.5 million up to €1 million → Selective regional loan I

→ Selective regional loan II up to €1 million

you could receive up to

High-end drama series

→ Your budget (German production costs) €21 million

→ GMPF approved costs

→ GMPF non-repayable grant up to €4 million

→ Selective regional loan I up to €1 million → Selective regional loan II up to €1 million

you could receive up to €6 million!











