



Environmetal Film Festival Albania – 5th edition

Context

Our quality of life, our future, depends on our capacity to preserve our habitat, our culture, our air and water, our forest. It is a global challenge. Protecting and promoting our environment and reducing climate change is not an option. What is at stake is our survival, amongst many other species.

The European Union takes a leading role globally in addressing environmental protection, action on climate change, energy efficiency, raising awareness and promoting public consultation.

The Festival was born in 2013 because in Albania the general public was not enough aware of the environmental issues. The idea was to reach the public in a more innovative way and extend these activities to the whole country. The EU fully supported the idea and continued its support with its many partners throughout the years.

The EU is co-funding this activity in the larger context of support to Albania's EU accession and the need to align its legislation and practices with EU standards. The Festival is an important cultural and social rendezvous and emphasises the EU's activities in Albania, especially in relation to the environment.

Purpose and objective of the project:

Environmental Awareness: Preparing and bringing to the attention of the public different ideas of short and long movies in order to protect the environment and community raising awareness through the film festival.

Also Supporting Balkan movies in



offering to the film makers/producers the possibility to personally present their work in Albania and promoting it in worldwide.

Beneficiaries of the project

Screening the best environmental movies and documentaries, both international and Albanian, in order to involve the majority of the Albanian society, from different ages, backgrounds and places, on raising environmental awareness.

Activities

In 2017, from 24 to 28 October, was organized the fifth edition of the Environmental Film Festival of Albania (EFFA), in 18 different locations across the country, where it was enjoyed an interesting selection of short and long length environmental movies from all over the world.

This 5th edition will be organised in Tirana (in 10 different locations), Vlora and Shkodra (with support of the EU Info network), Përmet (with support of CESVI), Peshkopia (with support of ALCDF), Korça and in the Visitor Centers of the Regional Agencies for Protected Areas (RAPA) of Shebenik

National Park (Librazhd) , Llogara and Divjaka, with particular support from Natura 2000, REC, IBECA and the municipalities involved in the event. Nevertheless, the EFFA event should be intended as something belonging to all the civil society, to all the public and private institutions, which have the will to actively contribute in making this country a better place to live.

MAIN FACTS

PARTNERS

- DONOR: The European Union
- EU info centers
- REC Albania
- AMSHC
- AKZM
- Natura 2000

DURATION

- 24-28 October 2017

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