

The Danish Writers Guild

The guild:

The Danish Writers Guild represents about 340 members, which are all professional screenwriters, play writers and translators. We are continuously experiencing a small increase in the number of members.

Danish Film Institute (DFI)

DFI has negotiated a new 4-year agreement (2014-2018) with The Ministry of Culture. The Ministry of Culture has granted extra 70 million DKR. / **9.3 million euros** for the 4-year period.

A low-budget support system has been introduced. DFI can support 12-24 low budget films a year, with an economy of 3-6 million DKR. / **400.000-800.000 euros**.

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Archive Agreements with DR (Danish public service channel):

We have now entered a new archive agreement with DR. The main points in the new agreement are as follows:

- The digital searchable archive will from now on be administrated by the national library. (is still being negotiated)
- DR is able to put up to 500 hours of content available on the DR's digital platform.
- The broadcasting on flow niche channels is expanded to all DR channels.
- The hold back period is still 6 years in general and 10 years on drama.
- Free use of clip
- DR can make 40 hours of "new drama" available on demand (incl. stacking)

For the new agreement DR pays 55 million Dkr./**7.3 million euros** a year to all the right-holders. The allocation of the money is still being negotiated between the right-holders.

New agreements:

At the moment we are negotiating a new on-demand agreement with TV2-play. The agreement allows TV2 to put their content on their digital platform TV2 Play, for catch-up and to make their archive online as well. We already have an agreement with them, so it is only the level of payment that we are renegotiating. TV2 also wants to make the content available for download for off line use. We have been able to fix an independent price for that use.

Society of Copyright Organization

Society of Copyright Organization is an organization for all copyright organizations and unions in Denmark. We coordinate views on different copyright issues and in some cases we write coordinated answers on hearings from The Danish Ministry of Culture and from EU.

Copyright Denmark

Copyright Denmark is another Collective Cooperation that reacts on different copyright issues and secures a coordinated and continuous response on different copyright issues in the media and other public relations.

The Copyright Alliance

The Copyright Alliance is an association working to secure the rights for all copyright owners. It used to be called The Antipiracy Group, but the name was changed so it would have a friendlier tone. The Alliance also represents producers. For instance they try cases at the court if necessary and are working more determined on the legal matters of the copyright and illegal downloads.

Nordic Writers Guild:

We also work with the Nordic Writers Guild (NDU) which counts the writers guilds of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. www.NordicWritersGuild.com.

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