

The Danish Writers Guild

The guild:

The Danish Writers Guild represents around 450 members, which are all professional screenwriters, playwrights or translators. We are continuously experiencing an increase in the number of members of just under 10% annually.

Usually the guild hosts a number of events, parties and award ceremonies during the year. All of these have been cancelled in 2020 due to Covid-19.

SVOD/Create Denmark

Streaming services are still challenging the residual payment model we use for broadcasting, thus providing abundant material for negotiations and discussions with the collective rights management organization Create Denmark as hub.

Create Denmark has since its founding been actively trying to prevent e.g. buyouts and the erosion of the artists' residuals. This work is ongoing in 2020.

WCOS2020

The 5th screenwriters conference organized by FSE, IAWG and the Danish Writers Guild was to be held in Copenhagen this Fall. Due to Covid-19 the conference is for now postponed one year. Further development on this matter will be communicated in early 2021.

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 of The Danish Ministry of Culture and of 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.

The Copyright Directive

We are working closely with the abovementioned copyright organizations and other relevant stakeholders and guilds with the implementation of the directive in Danish law.

Nordic Writers Guild

We work and exchange knowledge with the Nordic Writers Guild (NDU) which counts the writers' guilds of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden. However, this year's annual meeting was postponed due to Covid-19.

The Danish Writers Guild are working on facilitating a Nordic network for screenwriters to be initiated in 2021.