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Netwerk Scenarioschrijvers, which is a section of the Auteursbond (Authors' Guild), currently has approximately 550 members

Our members consist solely of fiction writers for film and television.

Recently, we formed a partnership with the Dutch Directors Guild. Under the name 'Dutch Screenwriters and Directors,' we aim to better advocate for our collective interests. Ms. Katja Lubina, is our Secretary and she will represent both screenwriters and directors.

Last year we hoped for concrete collective bargaining results in 2023. Alas, it is still work in progress. The collective bargaining table with Public Broadcasting, to reach a basic minimum agreement for all guilds, has been making slow but steady progress. And the same can be said for the negotiations around VOD-rights by our CMO and the overhaul of Author's Contract Law, which will, finally, start making its way through parliament. Lobbying from our side will of course continue, also by way of writing and promoting amendments. By the end of the year or early 2025, though, there may be definite results on all three fronts. While the frenzied activity from all sides on how to deal with AI will no doubt continue for the forseeable future. All this with our new, recently installed government, that has already proven itself to be completely adverse to culture by announcing a VAT-raise on culture, from 9% to 21%, and a 100 million euro budget cut on Public Broadcasting.