

Film Production Accounting

August 2nd-5th, 2018 Belgrade

TRAINING AGENDA

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Day 1 – Thursday, August 2nd, 2018. o UK Film Production		
9:30 – 10:00	Introduction of the course	
10:00 – 11:30	Review of UK productions that have filmed in Serbia The structure of international co-productions	
11:30 – 11:45	Comfort/Coffee break	
11:45 – 13:00	The structure of international co-productions Why foreign producers choose to film in Serbia?	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break (could be shortened to 45min)	
14:00 – 15:30	Understanding the production life cycle Review of all crew roles and responsibilities	
15:30 – 15:45	Comfort/Coffee break	
15:45 – 17:00	Comparisons to local productions ways of working	



Day 2 – Friday, August 3 rd , 2018 o Budgeting		
9:30 – 10:00	Re-cap of Day One	
10:00 – 11:30	An overview of Movie Magic Budgeting software Breaking down a film budget	
11:30 – 11:45	Comfort break	
11:45 – 13:00	Using different currencies Deciding on locked exchange rates Currency exchange risks Producing cashflows	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break	
14:00 – 15:30	Understanding Production Services Agreements Review of tax incentives in Serbia and other countries. Potential funding options	
15:30 – 15:45	Comfort break	
15:45 – 16:45	How to advise foreign co producers Producing tax incentive estimates	
16:45 – 17:00	Conclusions/Questions and Answers	



Day 3 – Saturday, August 4th, 2018. o Filming Prep, Shoot & Wrap		
9:30 – 10:00	Re-cap of Day Two	
10:00 – 11:30	Setting up ways of working with foreign co producers Understanding of: Taxes Studio procedures manuals Bank accounts	
11:30 – 11:45	Comfort break	
11:45 – 13:00	Managing spend, including purchase orders and contracts Call sheets and progress reports Forecasting spend Communication of underspends or overspends	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break	
14:00 – 15:30	Cost reporting – to producers and funders Agreement of final costs	
15:30 - 15:45	Comfort break	
15:45 – 17:00	Audit requirements Final paperwork required	



Day 4 – Sunday, August 5th, 2018. • Common Issues		
9:30 – 10:00	Re-cap of Day Three	
10:00 – 11:30	Deciding which accounting systems to use Whether to report in Euro or Dinar	
11:30 – 11:45	Comfort break	
11:45 – 13:00	Managing Serbian VAT - including allowable / disallowable VAT Methods of paying expenses and per diems to foreign cast and crew	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break	
14:00 – 15:30	Monitoring the tax incentive value Manage reporting requirements to the Serbian Government and the international co production, and how they differ.	
15:30 - 15:45	Comfort break	
15:45 – 17:00	Any other issues	