

Press Release and Invitation to the Grand Opening of the SCIENCE FILM FESTIVAL 2014 International Film Festival with Science-related Activities

November 4 – December 14, 2014

The Science Film Festival organized by the Goethe-Institut and its partners in 14 countries is the only existing festival of its kind in Southeast Asia, North Africa and the Middle East. Since its founding in Bangkok 10 years ago, the Science Film Festival has been gaining increasing attention and success each year. The festival aims to provide younger generation access to science to awaken their interest and motivate them to pursue a career in the field. This year's Science Film Festival showcases "Future Technologies", a continuation of the theme "Renewable Energy" in 2013.

The Science Film Festival 2014 is complemented by the participation of our main sponsor, Mercedes-Benz. Joining us for the first time this year, the premium automotive brand is an advocate of technological innovation and progress.

The Philippines is proudly hosting the festival for the 5th time this 2014. A proficient local jury from the Philippines chose 32 films from 15 different countries. Before that, the Goethe-Institut in Bangkok preselected 78 films out of 277 films from 50 different countries. These movies will be shown in over 200 schools, museums and other venues nationwide.

The science films target different school levels: primary, secondary and tertiary. The movies come with a variety of activities and games held by experts, wherein students can practice and learn more about science in an interactive way. Giveaways and other surprises also await participants.

We are inviting everyone, especially the press and media, to join us in the **Grand Opening on November 4, 9:00 AM, at The Mind Museum**.

Our partners, Department of Education, Department of Science and Technology, The Mind Museum, Museo Pambata Foundation Inc., Manila Ocean Park, National Library, ASEAN Center for Biodiversity, U.S. Embassy, Philippine Science Centrum, Quezon City Science Interactive Center, Felta, Ablan Foundation, Cornerstone, UP Deutscher Verein, Leyte Normal University, Film Development Council of the Philippines and the German European School Manila provide venues for the screening of the movies in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao. Detailed information about the venues and screening schedules will be available on our website (www.goethe.de/manila).



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