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WHERE: IMAX SM North, and nationwide organized screenings

EXPLORING THE AGE OF THE HUMANS AT THE 2017 SCIENCE FILM FESTIVAL

The Science Film Festival of the Goethe-Institut is back here in the Philippines to continue its annual celebration of science communication in the country. This initiative of the Goethe-Institut features science films selected by international science educators and science communicators. It combines education and entertainment and demonstrates that communicating and learning about science and technology can be a great fun.

On its 8th year in the Philippines, the Science Film Festival 2017, offers a roster of 30 science films to explore the theme - "**Anthropocene – Welcome to the Human Age"**. With this year's theme on ANTHROPOCENE, the festival aims to discuss the age of the humans and how they have been utilizing and altering the environment to create a new geological era.

The festival officially opens on **November 6, 2017, 9am,** with a special screening of the film "**Voyage of Time**" – a documentary which examines the origins of the universe, including the beginning of life on Earth, directed by Terrence Malick and narrated by Brad Pitt. Screened at the **IMAX Theater in SM North EDSA**, participants joining the Science Film Festival are treated to a special IMAX experience of the film.

From November 7 to December 15, organized film screenings follow at the Museo Pambata, The Mind Museum, Philippine Science Centrum, National Library of the Philippines, Liceo de Cagayan University, Quezon City Science Interactive Center, and at The Rogue Ablan Foundation.

With around 200,000 participants last year, Goethe-Institut aims to reach more audience this year to promote science literacy and awareness through international film and television content. The festival also aims to grow Goethe-Institut's important contribution to science and education in the Philippines.

The 2017 Science Film Festival of the Goethe-Institut is supported by the Department of Education (DepEd), the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), SM Supermalls, IMAX Asia Pacific, and the Film Development Council of the Philippines. For more information, visit Goethe.de/Manila or send your inquiries to program@manila.goethe.org or ScienceFilmFestival@Manila.goethe.org.

ABOUT THE SCIENCE FILM FESTIVAL – The Science Film Festival is a festival initiated by the Goethe-Institut Thailand in 2005 that has been expanded into many countries in Southeast Asia and beyond. The festival features films that communicate science and technology in an entertaining and comprehensible way for children aged 9-14 years, as well as a wider audience.

ABOUT THE GOETHE-INSTITUT PHILIPPINEN – The Goethe-Institut is the Federal Republic of Germany's cultural institute, promoting the study of the German language abroad, and encouraging international cultural exchange.

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