

Press Release

The Berlin International Film Festival Mourns the Loss of Lissy Bellaiche

Lissy Bellaiche, a figurehead of the Danish film industry, passed away on March 5 at the age of 77.

In her 20 years as a manager in International Relations at the Danish Film Institute, Lissy Bellaiche informed the perception of Danish cinema internationally. During her time at the Danish Film Institute, she significantly advanced cooperation between the Scandinavian film institutes.

Over many years as a festival consultant at TrustNordisk, she expanded and fortified her commitment to the Scandinavian film industry worldwide.

Lissy Bellaiche and the Berlinale enjoyed decades of fruitful collaboration. In 2000, she was a member of the International Jury. "She was a great friend of the festival and brought many Danish and Scandinavian films to us. She was a wonderful person and an ever-cheerful colleague", says Festival Director Dieter Kosslick.

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