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  - the competition of shorts and feature diploma films of film schools students
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- screenings of film for the young audience “Gdynia for Children”
  - press screenings and conferences

### **WHO IS IN THE ORGANISATIONAL COMMITTEE?**

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- The Ministry of Culture and National Heritage;
- The Polish Film Institute – Agnieszka Odorowicz – the Director of the Institute (who also represents the Minister of Culture and National Heritage)
- The Polish Filmmakers' Association – Jacek Bromski – the Chairman of the Association Board of Directors
- The Municipality of Pomeranian Region – Władysław Zawistowski – the Director of Culture and Sport Department of the Pomeranian Region
- The City of Gdynia – Włodzimierz Grzechnik – the Chief Officer of Culture, Sport and Recreation Department of the City of Gdynia
- Telewizja Polska S.A. – Halina Przebinda – the Programme Director of TVP S.A.
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- Canal + - Beata Ryczkowska - the Programme Director of Canal +
- Mirosław Bork - the Artistic Director of the Festival
- Leszek Kopeć - Festival Director

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The Polish Film Festival has its own Honorary Committee. The members are:

- the Minister of Culture and National Heritage – the President;
- the representative of the Festival honorary guest country – this year: the Czech Republic
- the Marshall of Pomeranian Region;
- the Mayor of the City of Gdynia;
- the co-organizers' representatives



## FESTIVAL DIRECTORS

The Festival Director is Leszek Kopeć,  
and the Artistic Director is Mirosław Bork.  
More information in the next newsletter.

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