

Submission Guidelines for Script Development Fund

Asian Cinema Fund's Script Development Fund is for **first-or second-time fiction feature directors from Asia**. It provides funding to Asian independent filmmakers to complete their first or second feature-length fiction film scripts that are in development.

A CATEGORIES

- **Asian Project**
 - Writer-director of the project must be of Asian nationality.
- **AFA Project**
 - Writer-director of the project must be an alumnus/alumna of Busan International Film Festival's CHANEL X BIFF Asian Film Academy (BAFA) / Asian Film Academy (AFA).

※ **Script Development Fund is available for Asian projects except Korean.**

B BENEFITS

- Cash grant of 10 million KRW
- Official invitation for representatives of the project to the Asian Project Market 2024.

C ELIGIBILITY

- Project must be the **director's first or second feature film project**.
- Project contains Asian elements in its story, theme, characters, and background.
- Director must have experience directing at least one short or feature film.
- Applicant must be a writer-director or a team of a writer and a director who are of Asian nationality. The producer(s) of the project does not have to be of Asian nationality.
- Script must be the applicant's original work.

D HOW TO APPLY

1. Access the online application form. - [ACF website](#) ▶ [Submission] ▶ [2024 Guidelines] ▶ [Apply for Script Development Fund 2024]
2. Fill in the online application form and submit it properly

※ After completing your submission, you will receive an automated confirmation e-mail from us with a link for modification of your application. You can modify it until the deadline.

E REQUIRED MATERIALS

- Online Application Form
 - Project Information (title, budget, production plan, etc.)
 - Logline (300 characters including spaces)
 - Synopsis (1500 characters)
 - Director's Intention (2000 characters)
 - Director's Profile (1000 characters)



- Additional Requirements
 - Treatment (5-10 pages, in PDF format)
 - Director's previous work (up to 2 films / online link(s) / Trailers, music videos, or commercials are NOT acceptable)
- Extra additional documents for the project can be submitted if want.

※ Online link(s) must be accessible until the end of June in 2024.

※ DVDs are not acceptable.

※ Attachments must be in PDF format and may not exceed 5 MB per file.

F. NOTES FOR SUBMISSION

- All notifications will be made exclusively through e-mail. **Please make sure that the e-mail addresses provided in the application form are correct.**
- Applicant can submit only one project per fund.
- Resubmission is not acceptable.
- The online application form and any additional documents for submission **must be in English.**
- Director's previous work(s), if not in English or Korean, should have English or Korean subtitles.
- The online application form will be closed automatically after the deadline. Only submissions arriving on time will be taken into consideration.
- Incomplete applications that do not satisfy the listed criteria for eligibility or follow the stated rules may be excluded from consideration without any prior notice.

G. SELECTION

- Selection results will be individually announced through the applicant's e-mail in the 3rd week of May.
- Any feedback on the result/project will not be provided.

H. NOTES FOR AFTER SELECTION

- The recipient must sign the fund agreement to receive the cash grant which will be wire-transferred at the end of October 2024.
- The selected project will be invited to the Asian Project Market (APM) in 2024 as one of the official selections. At least one of the representatives of the project must participate in the APM 2024.
- The recipient must regularly update the progress of the project upon request from ACF.
- The recipient must submit a working draft and the completed script after receiving the cash grant.
- The completed film must include (1) the opening title card provided by ACF in the film's opening sequence, and (2) BIFF and ACF logos in the end credits and promotional materials.

I. CONTACT

If you have any inquiries, please contact the Support Program Team at acf@biff.kr.