

Drama Development for Under 35's

Bold, ambitious, character-based drama series

TG4 and Screen Ireland would like to develop five new, contemporary, original, character-based drama series which will appeal to audiences under 35yrs. Ideas pitched should be ambitious, bold, creative entertaining and reflective of society, providing a fresh perspective to engage and enthuse a new diverse generation of drama lovers on TG4.

We are looking for drama series of between 4-8 episodes of 25 minutes, but we will also consider ideas that merit a longer duration. Series pitched should work naturally in the Irish language, appealing primarily to those who speak Irish regularly but with the ability to attract a wider national and International audience with its tone, humour, relevance, and stylistic approach.

Five projects will be shortlisted to receive development funding of up to €50k to bring the series to production level. As part of the development you will be attached to a mentor suggested by Screen Ireland. We welcome applications for development from production companies who have relevant experience in the production of high-quality drama and encourage the development of new writing, directing and onscreen talent in the Irish language as part of the process. An Irish language writer must be part of the application as the main writer or as a co-writer.

Deadline for applications: 30th of November 2020

Applications for development should include the following:

- Logline & Synopsis (260 words)
- Premise (250 words)
- Series Arc (600 words)
- Character bible (3-5 A4 pages excluding images)
- Outline of the tone and visual style of the project, including a mood board. (1 A4 page)
- Details of the key creative production personnel and talent
- Development budget (TG4 budget template must be used)
- Evidence of Ownership of rights

All proposals need to be submitted electronically to TG4. Production companies need to first make sure they are registered on our e-Commissioning system <https://ecomm.tg4.ie> , and then upload before the deadline by selecting, 'Forbairt Drámaíocht F35 2020', from the dropdown menu. You will receive an automatic acknowledgment when your proposal has been submitted. Proposals will not be accepted after the deadline.

Any questions in relation to submitting proposals electronically can be sent to Máire Uí Choisdealbha – maire.ui.choisdealbha@tg4.ie

Any questions in relation to this round and project suitability can be sent to Mary Ellen Ní Chualáin - maryellen.ni.chualain@tg4.ie

Glacfar le hiarratas ar an mbonn go gcomhlíonfaidh iarrthóir na hoibleagáidí reachtúla iomchuí uile.

Níl dualgas ar TG4 glacadh leis an iarratas is ísle praghas, ná le h-aon iarratas.

Beidh aon chonradh ag brath ar Theastas Glanta Cánach ó na Coimisinéirí Ioncaim.

Acht um Shaoráil Faisnéise: Cuirtear iarrthóirí ar an eolas gur ceadmhach eolas a sholáthraítear a nochtadh don phobal faoin Acht um Shaoráil Faisnéise. Ba chóir d'iarrthóirí aird a tharraingt ar an eolas íogaireacht (más ann) agus a rá cén chúis gur eolas íogaireacht é. Ní féidir glacadh leis nach mbeidh dualgas ar TG4 eolas a eisiúint, fiú más dóigh leis an iarrthóir gur eolas íogaireacht é agus go bhfuil sin curtha in iúl do TG4 aige.

Ní ann d'aon chineál ceangail – conartha nó aon chineál eile – go dtí go mbeidh conradh foirmiúil scríofa forghníofa ag nó thar ceann TG4.