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Finalists announced for the Eutelsat TV Awards 2016!

Paris, 27 September 2016 – The world of television that we enjoy in and out of the home as well as in the palm of our hands is a world of boundless creativity, inspiration, courage and innovation. These qualities are some of the many fuelling the drive of channels shortlisted for one of this year's prestigious **Eutelsat TV Awards**.

The **Eutelsat TV Awards** is the only international event shining a spotlight on the quality of thematic TV channels broadcast around the world. The jury, chaired by award-winning RAI journalist Duilio Giammaria, and assembling media experts from diverse markets, met in Paris from 24 to 25 September to assess the quality, innovation and creativity of over 120 channels from 40 countries. The judges faced the challenge of finalising a shortlist from an outstanding array of entries. The winning channels in eight thematic categories will be honoured at a ceremony in Milan on 25 November. Awards will also be bestowed for Best Programmes.

All participating channels in **the Eutelsat TV Awards** are now entitled to compete for the **People's Choice Award** that will go to the channel generating most votes by the viewing public.

Voting for this coveted Award runs from 28 September to 2 November via channel websites as well as eutelsattvawards.com and other popular sites including broadbandtvnews.com, millecanali.it and produ.com.

Finalists for the 2016 Eutelsat TV Awards:

<i>Children's</i>		<i>Cinema</i>	
Fix&Foxi	Germany	Dom Kino	Russia

Nickelodeon (Germany)	Germany	Sinema Zetu	Tanzania
RTL Kockica	Croatia	Sky Cinema 1 HD	Italy
<i>Culture / Documentary</i>		<i>Fiction / General Entertainment</i>	
BBC Earth	Poland	Sundance Channel	Poland
FunBox 4K	USA	TNT	Russia
Sky Arte	Italy	ZAP Viva	Angola
<i>Lifestyle</i>		<i>Music</i>	
Arewa24	Nigeria	4fun.tv	Poland
Bober	Russia	C Music TV	UK
Roya TV	Jordan	Trace TV	France
<i>News</i>		<i>Sport</i>	
BBC Persian	UK	Eurosport (Germany)	Germany
Ennahar TV News	Algeria	OTE Sports Highlights HD	Greece
FRANCE 24	France	RAI Sport 1 HD	Italy

<i>Best programme</i>	
Re-Enactors! (Canal+ Discovery)	Poland
Iran's Nuclear Deal (BBC Persian)	UK
Currentzis – The Classical Rebel (Deutsche Welle)	Germany
Mystery of the Lost Caravaggio - (Sky Arte)	Italy

The jury: **Jerzy Barski**, *TV-Sat Magazine* (Poland), **Frédéric Vaulpré**, *Eurodata TV* (France), **Robert Briel**, *Broadband TV News* (UK), **Paolo Dalla Chiara**, *Pentastudio* (Italy), **Dmitry Dibrov**, journalist and TV presenter (Russia), **Giacomo Mazzone**, *EBU/Eurovisioni*, **Tayfun Atay**, *Cumhuriyet / Okan University* (Turkey), **Reem Nouss**, Executive producer / TV consultant (UK). Jury chairman: **Duilio Giammaria**, *RAI* (Italy). Technical expert: **Mauro Roffi**, *Millecanali* (Italy).

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