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## PRESS RELEASE

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Geneva, February 4th, 2016

### **Sonita, Grand Jury Prize winner at Sundance will screen on the FIFDH's Opening night!**

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On the back of winning the Audience Award at IDFA, *Sonita* was awarded the Grand Jury Prize and the Audience Award at the Sundance Film Festival. The film will screen on the FIFDH's opening night at 7pm on March 4th at Pitoëff, for which Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein, High-Commissioner for Human Rights will be in attendance. Both the director, Rokhsareh Ghaem Maghami, and the film's actress, Sonita Alidazeh, will be present at the festival.

Congratulation to Intermezzo Films and the RTS who co-produced this beautiful documentary. The film will be released in Swiss cinemas on March 16th

### **Brillante Mendoza at FIFDH**

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Famous Filipino filmmaker Brillante Mendoza will present his latest film *Taklub*, an award winner in Cannes' Un Certain Regard section. He will also hold a Talking Heads conference on March 10th, in collaboration with HEAD-Genève.

### **A major international support: the Ford Foundation**

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In 2016, the FIFDH is joining the prestigious «Visionaries on the Frontlines of Social Changes Worldwide» club by receiving the support of the US' Ford Foundation. The foundation's cinema branch, JustFilms, is one of the most important supports for world cinema dedicated to social justice. Cara Mertes, director of JustFilms, will be attending the Festival.

### **This year's edition**

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The 14th edition of the International Film Festival and Forum for Human Rights (FIFDH) will take place from March 4th to March 13th 2016 in Geneva. Under the helm of Isabelle Gattiker, it reasserts its dual approach : a film festival and a forum dedicated to the defense of human rights. This year, and for the first time, the FIFDH will extend to the Greater Geneva area, to Lausanne as well as Orbe. It will keep its base in Pitoëff, Geneva. More than 200 filmmakers and international personalities are expected.

You can request your accreditation at <https://vp.eventival.eu/fifdh/2016>

You can buy tickets from February 23th.

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We look forward to seeing you at our press conference on Tuesday the 23rd of February at Ilam, Fonction : Cinéma, 16 rue du Général-Dufour in Geneva.

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