



The President

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Dear Dr Zanda,

Thank you for your letter of 13 February 2015 seeking the patronage of the European Parliament for the fourth edition of the International Babel Film Festival, to be held in Cagliari from 30 November to 5 December 2015.

The aim of your festival – to enhance and promote film productions focusing on unique stories of linguistic minorities, their culture and languages – fully chimes with the concerns of the European Parliament.

Linguistic and cultural diversity¹ is one of the fundamental principles of the European Union and should be seen as a cornerstone of the European cultural heritage. All languages reflect historical, social and cultural knowledge and skills, together with a mentality and a style of creativity that add to the richness and diversity of the European Union and form part of the basis of European identity, and should be wholeheartedly supported and promoted.

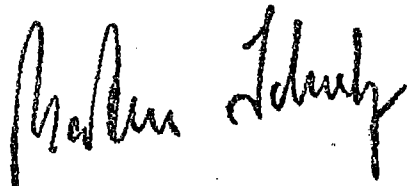
As your film festival soundly contributes to these objectives, namely by promoting and enhancing European cultural and linguistic diversity through film, it is with great pleasure that I grant your event the European Parliament's patronage².

¹ European Parliament resolution of 11 September 2013 on endangered European languages and linguistic diversity in the European Union (Texts adopted, P7_TA(2013)0350).

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May I take this opportunity to wish you every success with what should be an excellent film festival.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Martin Schulz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M" and "S".

Martin Schulz