

Press release

"TIME IS UP"

This is the theme of the 2024 edition of the International Documentary Festival Visions dal Mondo, scheduled to take place in Milan from September 12th to 15th.

Milan, xx March 2024– The **International Documentary Festival Visions dal Mondo**, the annual appointment with real cinema founded and directed by **Francesco Bizzarri** and with the artistic direction of **Maurizio Nichetti**, returns to **Milan** from **September 12th to 15th, 2024**.

"TIME IS UP" is the theme of the tenth edition, an extraordinary milestone for the International Documentary Festival Visions dal Mondo, marking a decade of commitment to supporting the sector and promoting the documentary genre as a form of expression capable of narrating, sometimes anticipating the times, the contemporary world in all its complexities.

"TIME IS UP" wants to incite viewers to action, and courage, with the hope of a better future. In this critical moment, through its documentaries, the Festival invites everyone to reflect and join in the commitment to act firmly and determinedly. Time is an irretrievable asset, and the future depends on actions taken today. **"TIME IS UP"** is a clear imperative, an invitation to emerge from the shadows of immobility, not only a call to urgency but a cry that urges to break free from the chains of inertia, and to courageously embrace the bold decisions that are necessary to change our future.

*"In a constantly changing world, we are faced with an inescapable truth.: 'TIME IS UP'". - emphasized **Francesco Bizzarri**, the director and President of Visions dal Mondo – However, in this scenario of urgency, there is a need for action, an action reflected in documentary films, true stories of courage, resilience, hope, and timeless commitment. Through documentary films, we immerse ourselves in a compelling journey that urges us to continue to believe and to keep the flame of hope alive. Each of us, by observing and listening to the stories told by cinema of reality, is the protagonist of the narrative and can contribute to the great epic of transformation. The time is now. Hope is our beacon. Courage is our travel companion."*

*"**'TIME IS UP'** is not just a warning about consequences which are fast approaching , but is also an explosion of positive energy that urges us to stop delaying what must be done. We can no longer afford the luxury of wasting time. Now is the time to act firmly, to face challenges with determination, and to build a better future. Our Festival has told all of this in the last decade through the stories it has courageously chosen to bring to the big screen and will continue to do so," **Maurizio Nichetti**, artistic director of Visions dal Mondo.*

2024 marks the 10th anniversary of the International Documentary Festival Visionsi dal Mondo and will be a rich and celebratory event, the organizers are defining the schedule: the structure, in addition to events, masterclasses, and panels, includes the **Italian Contest**, aimed at Italian filmmakers with two categories, feature films and new talent debut works, the **International Contest**, dedicated to foreign productions, the **Visioni Incontra Contest**, dedicated to documentary projects still in the work in progress phase or in final development advanced development, and the Visionsi VR Contest, dedicated to linear virtual reality works and interactive experiences. The deadline for submitting documentaries and projects for the competitions is **May 31st**. Participation details are available on the website www.visionidalmondo.it.

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