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Eurimages co-production *Winter Sleep* wins Palme d'Or in Cannes

Strasbourg, 26.05.2014 - <u>EURIMAGES</u> supported film **Winter Sleep** (*Kis Uykusu*) by Nuri Bilge Ceylan (co-production between Turkey, Germany and France) has been awarded the Palme d'Or at the 67th Cannes Film Festival and has received the FIPRESCI International Critics Prize.

The Eurimages Fund, which celebrated its 25th anniversary during the Festival, sees its selection choices rewarded for the 8th time by a Palme d'Or, with three consecutive wins since 2012. **White God** by Kornel Mundruczó (Hungary, Germany, Sweden) winner of the main prize in the "Un Certain Regard" section was also supported by the Fund, as was **Force Majeure** by Ruben Östlund (Sweden, Denmark, France), winner of the Jury Prize in the same section.

Since it was set up in 1988, EURIMAGES has supported 1579 European co-productions for a total amount of approximately 479 million euros. Eight films have received the Palme d'Or:

Underground, Emir Kusturica in 1995 ; Eternity and a Day, Theo Angelopoulos in 1998 ; Dancer in the Dark, Lars von Trier in 2000 ; L'enfant, Dardenne brothers in 2005 ; Das weisse Band, Michael Haneke in 2009; Amour, Michael Haneke in 2012 ; La Vie d'Adèle - Chapitres 1 et 2, Abdellatif Kechiche in 2013 Winter Sleep (Kis Uykusu), Nuri Bilge Ceylan in 2014.

EURIMAGES is a support fund for cinema co-production, theatrical distribution, exhibition and digital equipment for cinema theatres established by the Council of Europe in 1988.

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