

ZDFE strikes Bonafide deal

ZDF Enterprises (ZDFE), the commercial arm of German public broadcaster ZDF, has signed a first-look deal with UK-based drama production outfit Bonafide Films. The agreement sees the two companies continue their partnership, having previously set up a development deal together in 2013.

The distribution company will now have exclusive first-look rights to Bonafide's scripted development slate, while it will also serve as deficit financier and handle worldwide distribution of the prodco's shows.

Bonafide has previously produced series such as *Talking to the Dead* and *Nosferatu In Love*, for Sky Living and Sky Arts respectively, and is currently developing a number of drama and film projects alongside writers such as Peter Moffat, Peter Straughan and Sabrina Mahfouz.

The company is also working on a scripted comedy series about an undercover police officer who infiltrates an Armenian crime family, coproduced alongside Baby Cow Productions for UKTV channel Dave. *Undercover* (6x40') is being written by Andy Milligan (*The Rob Brydon Show*) and Sacha Alexander (*The Gigolos*).