

HKETO, Brussels and Create Hong Kong support Sitges International Fantastic Film Festival of Catalonia in Spain (with photo)

The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Brussels (HKETO, Brussels) and Create Hong Kong are supporting the 53rd edition of the Sitges International Fantastic Film Festival of Catalonia, which is taking place in Sitges, Spain, from October 8 to 18 (Sitges time).

Five Hong Kong films are being screened, including three from the 1990s, namely Billy Chung's "Brother of Darkness" and "Love to Kill" as well as Herman Yau's "Ebola Syndrome". The other two films are from the 1970s, namely Lo Wei's "Fist of Fury" and Law Kei's "The Dragon Lives Again".

At a business reception hosted by HKETO, Brussels in Sitges held on October 11, Deputy Representative of HKETO, Brussels Mr Paul Leung thanked the organiser for presenting Hong Kong films to the Spanish audience despite the current circumstances. He said that Hong Kong films are the strongest testimony of the vibrant creativity and unique culture of the city.

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government is continuing to support the Hong Kong film industry to get through a difficult period this year. As announced in July, it has earmarked 29 million Euros under the Film Development Fund to help increase the number of local film productions, nurture young directors and scriptwriting talents and enhance professional training to add value to the industry.

Founded in 1968, the Sitges International Fantastic Film Festival of Catalonia is the world's leading fantasy film festival, attracting 200 000 visitors. It screens films related to the fantastic genre, including action and adventure movies and black comedies, with a special emphasis on thrillers.

