

Ukrainian Doc Preview Regulations

The DOCU/PRO Industry Platform is held annually as part of the Docudays UA Festival programme. **DOCU/PRO** was created to develop the Ukrainian film industry, establish contacts with foreign experts from the field of documentary filmmaking and support the creation and promotion of Ukrainian film projects. In particular, these are training programmes and pitchings for directors as well as workshops and discussions for anyone interested in documentaries.

Within the framework of DOCU/PRO, the Festival cooperates with various organizations and institutions aimed at the development of Ukrainian and world documentaries, the promotion of Ukrainian culture, and the development of the Ukrainian film industry by integrating it into the world context.

Ukrainian Doc Preview is one of the key events of the **DOCU/PRO**. This is a showcase of relevant Ukrainian documentaries at the rough cut or post-production stage to a group of festival selectors and representatives of international sales companies and foundations. The authors of each project show up to 15 minutes of rough cut and answer questions from the audience. After the presentation, individual meetings with international experts with more detailed communication on each project are held.

The main goal of the Ukrainian Doc Preview is to present to potential partners the best Ukrainian documentary films that search for additional funding, promotional, or distribution support.

In 2022, the Ukrainian Doc Preview showcase will be held on 26 March in partnership with the state institution "Ukrainian Institute". Ukrainian Doc Preview is organized by Docudays UA and the Ukrainian Institute for three years now.

Ukrainian documentary film projects that are at the production or post-production stages and are ready to present at least 15 minutes of the rough cut of the future film are allowed to participate.

Which projects are invited to participate in the selection:

Creative, auteur documentaries. Projects of full-length documentary films that are at the production or post-production stage.

What are the rules for applying for Ukrainian Doc Preview:

The applicant must fill in a [form](#) indicating contact details, film synopsis, and a link to a draft or 2-3 scenes lasting no less than 20 minutes. **No more than 6 projects will be selected for participation.**

Key dates:

Opening date for applications – 7 December 2021.

Closing date for applications – 13 February 2022.

Announcement of selection results – 4 March 2022.

Ukrainian Doc Preview presentation – 26 March 2022, during the 19th Docudays UA

Before the presentation, all participants undergo training for preparation. The presentation of projects takes place in any form and should last no more than 20 minutes (5 minutes for a speech and 15 minutes for a video). After each presentation, participants should answer questions from experts or moderators. The total time allotted for questions and answers on each project is up to 10 minutes.

A maximum of 2 members of the creative team can participate in the presentation; the presence of the director or producer of the film is mandatory.

The presentation is followed by meetings with experts, during which participants receive detailed feedback on their projects.

Partners of the DOCU/PRO Industry Platform can award the best, in their opinion, Ukrainian Doc Preview projects with prizes.

The list of partners who will award the Ukrainian Doc Preview projects in 2022 will be announced by the end of February 2022.

The Ukrainian Institute is a public institution affiliated with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine. Its mission is to strengthen Ukraine's international standing through the means of cultural diplomacy. The Institute facilitates international connections between people and institutions and creates opportunities for Ukraine to interact and cooperate with the world.

Docudays UA is the only international human rights documentary film festival in Ukraine and one of the largest in Eastern Europe. It takes place every year in the last week of March in Kyiv. Following the end of the festival, Docudays UA traditionally presents the best films in Ukrainian regions during the Travelling Festival. Every year, the Festival Industry Platform DOCU/PRO presents the best Ukrainian projects to the international professional community and is actively involved in the promotion of Ukrainian documentaries abroad.

The 19th Docudays UA will be held between 25 March and 3 April 2022 in Kyiv.