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### Press-release

Within the framework of the project “Strengthening cultural and creative industries in Lao PDR, Uzbekistan and Rwanda” and as follow-up to the documentary film course, the UNESCO Office in Tashkent in close cooperation with the Embassy of Switzerland in the Republic of Uzbekistan, the Embassy of Poland in the Republic of Uzbekistan planned to organize a Study Tour to Poland from 11 to 19 May 2019. The participants will be representatives of the FOCUS Film School who produced the best documentary films within the above course (April-September 2018).

The Study Tour is aimed to contribute to the development of the film industry of Uzbekistan through the study of the experience of Polish cinema, the establishment of cooperation between Uzbek and Polish institutions and organizations in the field of the film industry, in particular between “Focus Film School” in Uzbekistan and Polish Film Institutions, such as Wajda Film School, Lodz Film School and others. The participants are prepared to gather the information for the development of documentary film on commonality and differences between Polish and Uzbek cinematography that will be finalized after the arrival to Uzbekistan, which will further promote the Polish film in Uzbekistan, as well as strengthen the cooperation between the two countries.

During the trip, it is planned to organize visits to public and private educational institutions related to the development of the film industry in Poland, as well as meetings with representatives of the Polish cinematography. The participants will also attend master-classes at Polish films schools and studios, as well as visit Museums of Cinematography, exhibitions, and Film Festivals.

The Study Tour is an integral part of the UNESCO project, which was launched in 2017 with financial support from the Ministry of Culture, Sport and Tourism of the Republic of Korea, in particular the Korean Trust Fund (KFIT). This project aims to promote the development and promotion of the film industry in Uzbekistan, thus contributing to the safeguarding and promotion of the diversity of cultural expressions. The project also aims to foster international cooperation and establish business contacts in the field of the film industry in Uzbekistan.

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