

COMPANIES FROM BELGIUM, DENMARK AND FRANCE RECOGNISED FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS TO EUROPEAN ANIMATION AT CARTOON FORUM

Toulouse, 18 September 2025. Cartoon Forum Tributes have distinguished companies from Belgium, Denmark, and France in recognition of their professional contributions to the promotion of European animation.

The winners in the three categories of these awards were voted by participants at the **Cartoon Forum**, the pitching and co-production event for animated TV series that today closes its 36th edition in the city of Toulouse. Presented for the first time in 2006, the Cartoon Forum Tributes have since become a prestigious recognition in the European animation industry.

Denmark's **Danish Broadcasting Corporation (DR)** was recognised Broadcaster of the Year, while Paris-based **Mediatoon Distribution** was selected as Investor/Distributor of the Year. The list of winners is rounded out by Belgium's **Creative Conspiracy (CC)**, voted as Producer of the Year.

Among the finalists were also companies from Germany, Poland, Spain and the UK.

All nominees bear a close relationship with Cartoon Forum, in which they have participated both to pitch their projects and to discover the next generation of European animated series. Cartoon Forum line up is composed of 75 animated series from 20 European countries, for a total budget of 339.53 million euros, representing 396 hours of animation.

<u>Cartoon Forum Tributes award ceremony – Images for downloading.</u>

CARTOON FORUM TRIBUTES 2025 – WINNERS

BROADCASTER OF THE YEAR

Danish Broadcasting Corporation (DR) (Denmark)

Denmark's oldest and largest media enterprise Danish Broadcasting Corporation (DR) is an independent, licence financed public institution comprising television, radio and online services. As of 2023, it has further strengthened its commitment to promoting Danish and

Nordic animation with DR1's prime time weekly slot FredagsTamTam, as well as through DR TV, an internet streaming catch-up television service.

INVESTOR/DISTRIBUTOR OF THE YEAR

Mediatoon Distribution (France)

Mediatoon Distribution is one of the leading Kids and Family IP managers and animation distributors in Europe. Enhanced by its in-house studios (Belvision, Ellipse Animation, Studio Campedelli) and to third party producers, the company's catalogue consists of over 10,000 half-hours of animated content, including series recently pitched at Cartoon Forum such as "Cedric", "SamSam", "Trotro" and "The Fox Badger Family", among others.

PRODUCER OF THE YEAR

Creative Conspiracy (Belgium)

Based in Ghent, Creative Conspiracy (CC) is an award-winning company that produces commercials, TV series, short films and feature films (both CGI and 2D). One of the company's series, "Ray & Ruby", was awarded with the EBU Co-Development Initiative at Cartoon Forum 2023. This year, CC is presenting the series "Terry and Olivia" in Toulouse, in addition to participating as co-producer in "This Moose Belongs to Me".

ABOUT CARTOON FORUM

Created in 1990 to boost the co-production and distribution of European animation for television and new media platforms, Cartoon Forum has helped 1,017 animation series obtain financing to the tune of 3.69 billion €. The 36th Cartoon Forum is organised by CARTOON – European Association of Animation Film with the support of Creative Europe - MEDIA, CNC (Centre national du cinéma et de l'image animée), Région Occitanie, Mairie de Toulouse, Toulouse Métropole, Casino Barrière and France Télévisions (FTV).

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