

How we are working for Diversity and Gender Equality

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Diversity





What does the Diversity Perspective mean to us?

Perspectives

Class, gender, age, ethnicity, agenda, social, values, sexuality, LGBT, experience, ideology

Genres

Diversity of expression, form, appeal, aesthetics, model

Gender

Lead role, behind the camera, target group

Values

Reflecting the age in which we live





Gender Equality





Gender Equality Statistics

Proportion of funded films by a film commissioner at the Swedish Film Institute (non funded films in brackets).

• 2000-2005

Proportion of films with a woman as:

director **19%** (10%) screenwriter **26%** (23%) producer **28%** (16%)

• 2006-2011

Proportion of films with a woman as:

director **29%** (6%) screenwriter **40%** (13%) producer **32%** (21%)





- an action plan

Strategy: To meet every argument with an action.





"There are very few competent female filmmakers"

 A new film portal: Nordicwomenfilmmakers, to make Nordic female film makers visible. A collaboration between the Nordic Film Institutes and researchers from each country.





"Women don't get to make their second and third films"

 A new mentor programme for women with established and first-time directors.





"There aren't as many young women as men who dream of becoming a film director"

 Several projects with the aim of strengthening gender equality long-term in areas such as education establishments, competitions, film festivals, regional talent development and film camps. Initiatives to highlight female role models.



"Counting the percentage of women as compared to men doesn't lead to equality"

Intensifying the ongoing monitoring of our funding.





"Those in power have no desire to see things change"

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Thank you!

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