

Terra#LAB, promoted by the Novos Cinemas team (Pontevedra International Film Festival), is a mentoring and development space designed to promote the development of feature film projects (fiction, non-fiction, experimental, animation, essay film ...) by emerging filmmakers. This laboratory seeks to stimulate and strengthen projects in the development phase, providing key tools for their professionalization and creating a forum for continuous learning.

The next edition of Terra#LAB will be held in Pontevedra between December 8th and December 11th, 2026.

OBJECTIVES

- To accompany projects in their development phase, helping with writing, seeking support, pre-production and audience development.
- To encourage interaction between emerging filmmakers and industry players, fostering collaborative networks.
- To provide participants with the necessary skills to successfully defend their projects.
- To promote diversity and representation in the audiovisual industry.
- To promote the circulation and visibility of the projects, both nationally and internationally.

REQUIREMENTS

- A minimum of seven places will be offered, giving priority to Galician projects.
- The projects submitted must be first or second films and be in the writing, development or pre-production stage.
- The call is open to projects of regional, national and international nature, without any geographic restrictions.
- Documentation may be submitted in Galician, Spanish or English. Applications must be submitted through the application form available on the festival website: [\[link to the website\]](#).

- A dossier of a maximum of 8 pages containing information about the project must be submitted, including the following:

Synopsis and treatment of the project.

Director's statement.

Visual concept or mood board.

Author's professional CV.

Financing plan and funding status (if applicable).

- In case of incorporating audiovisual material, it must be delivered through private viewing links (Vimeo or similar platforms).
- Terra#LAB promotes a parity policy, ensuring that at least 50% of the selected projects include female authorship.
- The deadline for documentation submission is **June 30th, 2026**.
- The Novos Cinemas team will contact the authors of the selected projects via e-mail to inform them of their inclusion in the Terra#LAB program.
- Project representatives must confirm their attendance within one week of receiving confirmation.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

The selected projects will be reviewed, analysed and advised by four reputable and internationally recognised professionals, who will assess:

- The project's originality and artistic quality.
- The project's feasibility and development potential.
- The incorporation of innovative approaches and diversity of perspectives.

Priority will be given to projects promoted by filmmakers under the age of 30, encouraging new voices in the sector.

PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

- The participation of the project director in the laboratory will be mandatory if the project is selected.
- The organisers will offer a travel grant for each of the selected projects to cover travel and accommodation expenses.
- The festival organisers will facilitate, whenever possible, the participation of the selected participants in all activities scheduled during Novos Cinemas Festival, ensuring their integration into the dynamics and opportunities offered by the event.
- In the event that any of the projects participating in Terra#LAB comes to fruition, the rights holders undertake to include the Terra#LAB image provided by the laboratory team in the film credits.
- Participation in Terra#LAB involves acceptance of these terms and conditions. The organising team reserves the right to make changes to ensure the smooth running of the laboratory.