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ARTISTIC RESEARCH AGENDA

Impact and Objectives

Since the beginning, FilmEU has sought to integrate students into its activities, mainly PhD students interested in artistic research. PhD candidates are active in WP 6/ WP 10 activities and are invited to participate in workshops and activities promoted by FilmEU.

Research lies at the core of the FilmEU Alliance, emphasizing collaborative initiatives and programs aimed at supporting PhD candidates and enhancing third-cycle education. In the short term, the Alliance strives for shared PhD supervision, collaborative training, and development activities. The objective is to establish a Joint PhD degree in the long run.

FilmEU's dedicated efforts to synchronize PhD programs across the Alliance have taken the initial steps towards aligning quality assurance principles in doctoral training. As part of this endeavour, the FilmEU Alliance facilitates the mobility of two students from each Higher Education Institution (HEI) to participate in our doctoral seminars.

The quality of the FilmEU Doctoral Summer Seminars can be gauged by considering various factors. These include qualifications, career prospects, internationalism, interdisciplinarity, and interculturality, all of which are inherent in artistic practices. Additionally, the research environment plays a pivotal role. Integrating an artistic doctoral program within a suitable research environment ensures the most favourable conditions for interdisciplinary advancements in artistic work, supervision, and dissemination.

In the scope of increasing joint FilmEU research activities and with the objective of facilitating and promoting networking between young researchers, the sharing of experiences and methods and the emergence of new collaborative initiatives, FilmEU promoted during its 2022 summer summit in Dublin on the 10th of June, a one-day Doctoral seminar. The second edition of the doctoral summer seminar took place during the FilmEU_RIT Summit in Lisbon on June 2nd, 2023.



This report will briefly recap the activities and focus on the possibility and effectiveness of the capacitation of the junior researchers through.

DOCTORAL SUMMER SEMINAR

2022 Dublin (Ireland)

During the 2nd FilmEU Summit, IADT hosted the first Doctoral Summer Seminar. The seminar consisted of students' presentation of papers or posters of their ongoing work followed by an experts panel and a peer feedback session (Fig.1).

The Alliance invited its students to participate in the event by submitting a short proposal through a form. Selection for participation was based on the quality of proposal, considering how the research is related to the field of Film and Media Arts. Moreover, the aim was to ensure diversity by including students with different disciplinary emphases and at different stages of their PhD trajectory.

Schedule

Open Call: Deadline for Submission until 15th April 2022

Feedback on submission: End May 2022

Event: 10th June 2022



Fig. 1 Screenshot FilmEU website [Link]

Open Call



Doctoral Summer Seminar was exclusively available to PhD and Master students from the four schools within the alliance. The call for papers was communicated internally through Moodle (Fig. 2) and Direct Email in each institution mail list, and externally through the FilmEU newsletter (Fig. 3), website, and social media channels (Fig. 4). The four institutions shared the social media content to expand the reach of the publications.

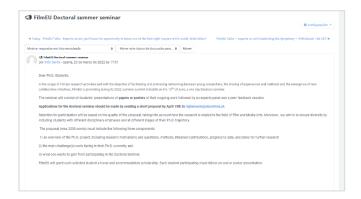


Fig. 2 (left) Screenshot Open Call – Moodle, 2022.

Fig. 3 (right) Screenshot Open Call – FilmEU Newsletter #6

[Link].





Fig. 4 Screenshot FilmEU Facebook.

Selection Process

Applications from PhD candidates and research Masters' students at the full partner schools for the doctoral seminar were made by submitting a short proposal. The selection for participation was based on the quality of proposal, considering how the research is related to the field of Film and Media Arts, and the aim to ensure diversity by including students with different disciplinary emphases and at different stages of their PhD trajectory (Fig. 5 and Video 1).





Fig. 5 Doctoral Summer Seminar, IADT, 10th June 2022. © Rita Mata



Video 1 Doctoral Summer Seminar. Online on the FilmEU YouTube Channel [Link]. @Ricardo Bacalhau



Doctoral Presentations

For the first Doctoral Summer Seminar, the following students and topics were selected for presentations:

- The History and Cultural Politics of the Irish Surf Film Genre, Steven Boyd (IADT).
- The Denied Image: Art Interventions Between Iconoclasm and Institutional Critique,
 Gianluca Costi (LUCA School of Arts).
- The Pluralised Protagonist and Her Implications in an Interactive Feature Film "The Limits of Consent", Michael Keerdo-Dawson (IADT).
- Reenacting Trauma: Working with Documentary Characters Through Fiction Film,
 Anastasiya Maksymchuk (Lusófona University).
- Rituals for Camera: In search for visual repetition to install attentional shifts, Ans Mertens (LUCA School of Arts).

The presentations and reviewers feedback are available online on the Research Catalogue webpage [Link].

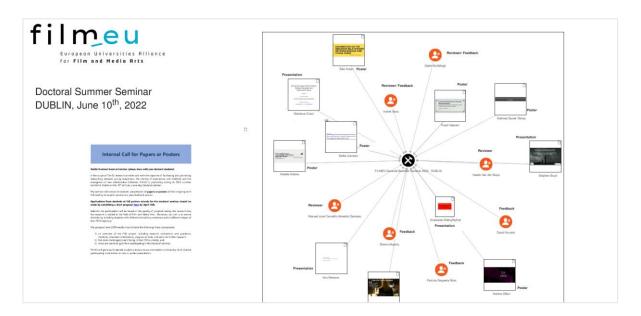


Fig. 6 Research Catalogue webpage, with the 1st FilmEU Doctoral Summer Seminar presentation [Link].





Fig. 7 Doctoral Summer Seminar, IADT, 10th June 2022. © Rita Mata



Fig. 8 Doctoral Summer Seminar, IADT, 10^{th} June 2022. © Rita Mata



Posters Sessions

For the poster presentation session, the following students have been selected:

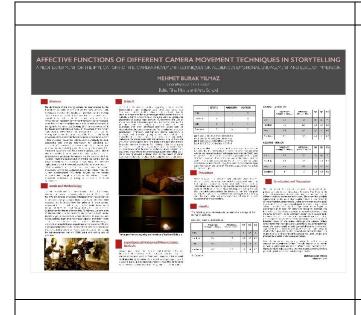


Al-Khayyam Quadrains podcast series

Fuad Halwani (Lusófona University)

OUTCOMES





Affective Functions of Different Camera Movement Techniques in Storytelling

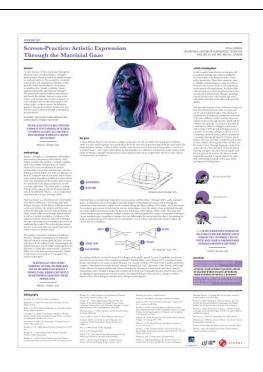
Mehmet Burak Yilmaz (Tallinn University)



Film Scoring

Karima Dillon (IADT)





Screen-Practice: Artistic Expression Through the Matrixial Gaze

Stella Carneiro (Lusófona University)



From Reality to Form:
A Genealogy of Film Diaries
and Video Diaries

Natália Lago Adams (Lusófona University)



Following the students' presentations, they had the chance to converse about their ongoing work with a group of film and media arts experts. The panel was comprised of:

- Dr. Sherra Murphy (IADT, Ireland)
- Dr. Patrícia Sequeira Brás (Lusófona University, Portugal)
- Dr. David Novack (Lusófona University, Portugal)
- Prof. Indrek Ibrus (Tallinn University, Estonia)

Testimonials

"I was honoured to be invited to participate in the FilmEu 2023 Doctoral Summer Seminar. It was a unique opportunity for me to share my work with a range of international".

Fiona Hallinan (LUCA School of Arts)

"It was a great pleasure to participate in the FilmEU 2023 Doctoral Summer Seminar in Lisbon. I highly appreciated the presentations of artistic practice-based researchers, the opportunity to meet in person with other members of the Alliance, and the fostering of further collaboration across multiple creative fields and cultural contexts".

Natália Gondim (Lusófona University)

"Participating in the PhD seminar was a truly invaluable experience, benefiting both my research and personal growth. Over the course of the seminar, I found myself questioning my initial research question, eventually leading to a transformative change in its focus. Furthermore, the seminar introduced me to the world of artistic research, an area I was previously doubting myself being in."

Vera Pirogova (Tallinn University)

"Participating in the FilmEU 2023 Doctoral Summer Seminar in Lisbon was an invaluable experience as it gave me a chance to present a piece of research conducted since completing my Masters of Arts by Research in IADT to an academic panel whose insights have since added to this work. Furthermore, this experience has given me confidence to continue researching and to potentially consider further study, at PhD level, in the next few years."

Sophie Quin (IADT)

2023 Lisbon (Portugal)

During the 2023 FilmEU_RIT Research Summit in Lisbon, FilmEU hosted a one-day Doctoral Summer Seminar on June 2nd. The seminar aimed to encourage networking among young researchers, share research experiences and methods, and foster the formation of new collaborative initiatives.

Schedule

Open Call: Deadline for Submission until 2nd May 2023



Feedback on submission: End May 2023

Event: 2nd June 2023

Open Call

Similar to the previous year, the Doctoral Summer Seminar was exclusively accessible to PhD and master's students from the four schools within the alliance. The announcement for papers was internally circulated through Moodle (Fig. 8) and Direct Email, while externally disseminated via the FilmEU newsletter (Fig. 9), website, and social media channels (Fig. 10/11). In addition, the four institutions dispersed the social media posts to amplify their reach.

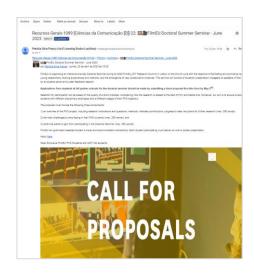




Fig. 8 (left) Call for Proposals – Email from Moodle, 2023.

Fig. 9 (right) FilmEU_RIT Newsletter, 2023 [Link].



Fig. 10 (left) FilmEU webpage, 2023 [Link].

Fig. 11 (right) Lusófona Filmes Instagram Post, 2023 [Link].





Selection Process

The selection process was similar to the previous edition. PhD candidates and research Masters' students from the full partner schools applied to participate in the doctoral seminar by submitting a short proposal. Selection for participation was based on the proposal's quality, its relevance to the field of Film and Media Arts, and the aim to have a diverse group of students with different disciplinary focuses and at various stages of their PhD trajectory.

The Event

The event took place the Cinema Fernando Lopes, at Lusófona University (Portugal), on the 2nd of June [Link]:

9h Welcoming Session 9h10 Keynote Speaker **Teemu Mäki** 10h10 Keynote Speaker **Sara Driver**

<u>Livestream on FilmEU Youtube Channel</u>

11h35 Doctoral Summer Seminar

13h00 Poster Session

13h00 Lunch Break

14h00 Poster Feedback and Discussion

16h45 Conclusions - Doctoral Summer Seminar

17h From RIT to FilmEU +: Future Perspectives around Research Round Table with Daithí Mac Síthigh, Teet Teinemaa, Lies Van de Vijver and Manuel José Damásio









Fig. 12 – 19 Doctoral Summer Seminar, Lusófona University (Portugal), 2nd June 2023. @Filipa Valente [Link]

Doctoral Presentations

These are the presentations that were chosen:

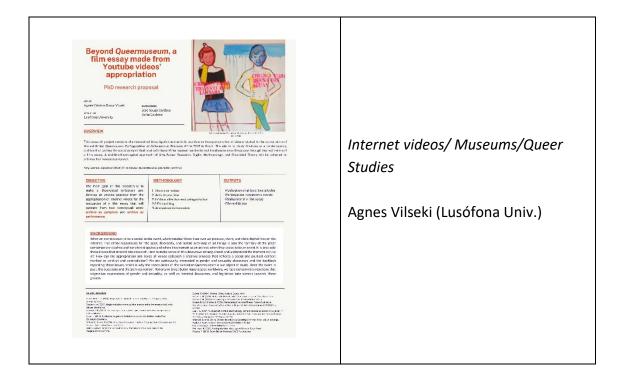
• Engendering eco connectedness in design practice through diffractive engagement in place, Clyde Doyle (IADT).



- Making Dust: An Ultimological approach to filmmaking, Fiona Hallinan (LUCA School of Arts).
- Golden Shower: Artistic Research on Gender Politics and Comedy, Stella Carneiro (Lusófona University).
- How Female Body Experience can be Portrayed in Cinema?, Vera Pirogova (Tallinn University).
- Film Editing and Chance, Liis Nimik (Tallinn Univ.).
- (Re)Animating the Irish Elk and Wolf, Sophie Quin (IADT).
- Cinematic Contact Zone: a study on live practice in participatory documentary filmmaking with Portuguese-speaking diasporic artists in Lisbon, Natália Godim (Lusófona Univ.).
- Bioscope, the Bangladeshi peepshow: Colonial past, traditional roots and digital media, Md Sarower Reza Jimi (Lusófona Univ.).

Posters Sessions

The following students were chosen for the poster presentation:







Dressing up the Portuguese cinema: Contextualization of the seventh art And fashion thorough costume design in the 20th century

Carolina M.F. Pereira (Lusófona Univ.)



Specters of the visible: Decolonizing Documentary

Diogo Bento (Lusófona Univ.)

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Cultural Narratives, Breastfeeding and Design

Ella Fitzpatrick (IADT)



Metanarratives in Video Games -Raising Social Issues with Suspension of Disbelief and Critical Game Design

Filipe Pinto (Lusófona Univ.)





Mental Illness in social/cultural/media/film Studies

Ívar Erik Yeoman (Lusófona University)



Extended Reality; Storytelling; Immersive Storytelling

Thomas Halton (IADT)





Media Arts Suspensions and Deviations: Paz dos Reis between Cinema and Photography

Isabel Pina (Lusófona Univ.)

Testimonials

"The doctoral seminar in Lisbon was an inspirational event. As a researcher taking my first steps, it was of great importance to attend the presentations of experienced researchers, as well as exchanging ideas with PhD students from other countries. Hopefully, I can attend the next one too!"

Ívar Erik Yeoman (Lusófona University)

"The Doctoral Summit in Lisbon was a great way to showcase my research and create meaningful exchanges with other fellow students and professionals from around the world."

Stella Carneiro (Lusófona Univ.)

"Lusófona University hosted the 2nd FilmEU_RIT Summit between 31 May and 2 June, an incredible opportunity for researchers from the four FilmEU_RIT universities to meet personally, present their projects and discuss their ongoing work. The Fernando Lopes Cinema was the main stage for artistic researchers, academics and doctoral students who work in the field of film and media studies.



The university's excellent organization promoted an intense three-day agenda of exhibitions, master classes and film screenings. Lisbon's sunny and warm climate helped to make everything very productive and enjoyable.

There was also an opportunity for seven students from the PhD programme in Media Art and Communication to present their research projects by showing and discussing the scientific posters of their work."

Isabel Pina (Lusófona Univ.)



"Participating in the Doctoral Research Summit was a memorable experience. Presenting my findings to a diverse and engaged audience was not only rewarding but also offered valuable insights and feedback that will undoubtedly shape the future of my research."

Ella Fitzpatrick (IADT)

Fig. 20 Ella Fitzpatrick presenting her poster, during the Doctoral Summer Seminar, in Lisbon (Portugal).



CONCLUSION

Research stands as the cornerstone of the FilmEU Alliance, with a dedicated focus on collective initiatives and programs spanning our consortium, catering to the needs of PhD candidates, and bolstering third-cycle capacity. The FilmEU consortium has undertaken a significant effort to enhance collaborative research through the implementation of a Doctoral Summer Seminar. This platform was initially introduced during the summer summit in Dublin on June 10th, 2022, and further amplified during the FilmEU_RIT Summit in Lisbon on June 2nd, 2023 (Video 2).

The Doctoral Summer Seminar is an exclusive program designed for PhD and Master students from the four esteemed institutions that form the alliance. Its primary objective is to provide a holistic approach to academic enrichment, seamlessly integrated into a conducive research environment ensures optimal interdisciplinary advancement in artistic work, supervision, and dissemination.

The FilmEU consortium is dedicated to supporting new voices and promoting collaboration in academia, as evidenced by their recent efforts.



Video 2 FilmEU-RIT Summit Recap Video. Online the FilmEU Youtube Channel [Link].



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