

## **Iberseries & Platino Industria and Audiovisual from Spain to celebrate *Showcase Spanish Thrillers* at Berlinale Series Market**

**Internal Affairs** (Mediacrest Entertainment, RTVE) and **Shades** (Secuoya Studios, StellarMedia, SkyShowtime, Beta Film) will be part of this panel that will address the international success of Spanish thrillers

Madrid, February 11, 2025. **Iberseries & Platino Industria** and **Audiovisual from Spain**, the umbrella brand of **ICEX Spain Export and Investments**, which brings together the entire offering of audiovisual production in the Spanish sector for its international promotion, will attend the **Berlinale Series Market** together for the third consecutive year, on this occasion presenting the **Showcase Spanish Thrillers**, which will take place on Monday **February 17** at the CinemaxX 1 multiplex theater in Potsdamer Platz, Berlin.

**Berlinale Series Market**, an initiative of the European Film Market, Berlinale Co-Production Market, and Berlinale Talents, will be held from February 16 to 19, 2025 and will once again attract the global audiovisual industry for the acquisition, pre-sales and co-production of high-quality episodic content. The event will also focus on pitch sessions and a selection of thematic panels that will analyze the latest trends.

The **Spanish Thrillers** panel will discuss the success of two productions led by Spanish companies, highlighting the strength of a genre that incorporates topical social issues and global impact. The productions featured are **Internal Affairs** (Mediacrest Entertainment, RTVE), with the participation of **Cristian Liarte**, Director of Global Business Development at **Mediacrest** and **José Pastor**, Director of Film and Fiction at **RTVE**; and **Shades** (Secuoya Studios, StellarMedia, SkyShowtime, Beta Film), with the assistance of **María García-Castrillón**, Director of Co-Productions at **Secuoya Studios**, **Sergio Cánovas**, showrunner and director, and **Christian Gockel**, EVP Acquisitions & Sales and New media at **Beta Film**. The session will be moderated by John Hopewell, International Features Editor at Variety.

**Internal Affairs** is endorsed by the rave reviews it received at various European industry events before its premiere on the public broadcaster on Wednesday February 12. This six-part thriller delves into the life of a young policewoman from a working-class neighborhood at a time of profound social transformation in Spain in the late 1970s, exploring the world of the first women in the National Police during the Transition.

The police series, which combines intrigue, tension, action, and drama, was created by Pedro García Ríos and Rodrigo Martín Antoranz, under the direction of María Togores and Samantha López Speranza. It stars Laia Manzanares, Silvia Abascal, Nacho Fresneda, Luis Callejo, Carla Campa, Marta Poveda, Nico Romero, César Vicente, Javier Collado, Josema Pichardo, and Josean Bengoetxea, with special collaboration from Manuela Vellés and Miki Esparbé.

**Shades** is a psychological thriller full of mystery created by Sergio Cánovas, Alex Meriweather, and Javier Naya, and directed by Sergio Cánovas, which will be available on the SkyShowtime platform in the coming months.

Six patients gather in a secluded cellar to complete their treatment with a renowned, exceptional, and charismatic psychiatrist, who has become an authority in his field thanks to his famous method, which has achieved an exceptionally high cure rate among the most complex and challenging patients. After an unusual ceremonial tasting, a fateful event occurs, causing an unexpected turn of events. A shrewd police inspector takes over the case and uncovers the truth behind both the patients' and the doctor's traumas. In parallel to the wine, the series reveals that people are full of nuances, including the inspector.

The eight-episode drama has an all-star cast, including Maxi Iglesias, Miriam Giovanelli, Juana Acosta, Hovik Keuchkerian, Fariba Sheikhan, Eusebio Poncela, Enrique Arce, Raul Prieto, and Elsa Pataky.

This showcase is also taking place within the framework of the agreement established between **Iberseries & Platino Industria** and **Berlinale Series Market**, marking a milestone between the cooperation of the **European Film Market** and the leading international gathering for professionals involved in the Ibero-American audiovisual industry.

**Iberseries & Platino Industria** will hold its **fifth edition** from **September 30 to October 3, 2025** in **Matadero Madrid**, promoted by **EGEDA** and **Fundación Secuoya** and in collaboration with **FIPCA**. It is supported by the **Community of Madrid**, **Madrid City Council**, and **ICEX Spain Export and Investments**, and sponsored by the **Madrid Film Office** and **Film Madrid**.

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