



VALENCIA, EPICENTRE OF THE INTERNATIONAL YOUNG TALENT IN ANIMATION DURING SOME DAYS THANKS TO BRIDGING THE GAP

Between July 18th-23rd it is celebrated the second edition of this international workshop in Valencia, Spain

Fourteen talents from all over the world strengthen their animated projects with the consultancy of industry's professionals

The creative director of The Walt Disney Europe, the Belgium producer of Walking de Dog or the producer of the Oscar-winner short film 'Logorama' among the **experts** panel

Valencia, July 18th 2016. From this Monday July 18th and until Saturday 23rd, the international animation lab **Bridging the Gap** (BTG) celebrates its second edition in the venue of the school Barreira Arte + Diseño in Valencia (Spain) with the participation of fourteen talents from all over the world.

Organized by Bridging the Gap, an initiative promoted by several animation professionals, under the Program ACERCA on Training Development in the Cultural Sector of the Spanish Agency for International Cooperation for Development ([AECID](#)), and with the collaboration of International and Ibero-American Administration and Public Policy ([FIIAPP](#)); the laboratory aims to strengthen and promote internationally animation projects from around the world and facilitate the creation of international partnerships and networks.

The fourteen participants, selected by the organization after an open call, are talents from all over the world that attend to the Spanish city with their projects of animated series or feature film in development. Among them, young talents from Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Ethiopia, Philippines, France, Lithuania, United Kingdom and Siria, as well as several Spanish talents participate.

The participants receive from today and until next Sunday masterclass and consulting meetings by **experts of the industry**, among we can find the founder of the Belgium production company Walking de Dog, Eric Goossens; the creator of "Pocoyo",

Guillermo García Carsí; the Movistar + Spain's head of short films acquisitions department, Guadalupe Arensburg; the creative director of Walt Disney Europe, Shamik Majumdar; the producer of the Oscar-winner short film "Logorama", Nicolas Schmerkin; the producer of the transmedia project "The reward", Charlotte De La Gournerie; the Director of 3D Wire, Jose Luis Farias; or the Spanish producer Manuel Cristóbal ("Wrinkles"). Besides, there will be the consultants Paco Rodríguez and Belli Ramírez, co-founder of Mr.Cohl and line producer of Zinkia Entertainment; and the young Valencian animation studio Silly Walks.

Furthermore, Saturday 23rd, final pitch day, the **experts panel will integrate as well** the head of acquisitions of the distribution company Pack Magic, Alfred Sesma; and the director and executive producer of Rokyn Animation, Manuel Sicilia and Francesca Nicoll, among others. With the aim of encourage the meeting the local industry, the organization invites to the sector to participate in the final pitch of selected projects, Saturday 23rd among 10h and 14:30hs at the school Barreira, Arte + Diseño. During the activity, the professionals will be invited to give feedback to the selected talents, with whom could speak in the cocktail that will close this day.

After a successful first edition, Valencian institutions and organizations collaborate in this second edition such as Culturarts IVAC Generalitat Valenciana; [ANIMAT](#), the Valencian Association of Animation Studios, Rector Peset of the University of Valencia and the aforementioned school [Barreira, Arte + Diseño](#). Also, BTG has the support of 3D Wire, DIBOOS, Institut Français Espagne, British Council and U-tad.

Participant projects here: <http://bthegap.com/es/participantes16.html>

Experts' bios here: <http://bthegap.com/es/the-experts.html>

Press materials and HD photographs [here](#).

To be able to attend on Saturday 23rd is needed to confirm attendance to:
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