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### **Paolo Virzì stays on at TFF one more year as Guest Director**

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“I have a new intense year of film projects before me, so I can no longer be the Director of the TFF full-time. But the enthusiasm on the part of the public in Turin and my attachment and esteem for the team I worked with, have convinced me to stay one more year in the role of Guest Director, thus inaugurating what we expect to be a long series of collaborations on the part of working filmmakers, even more prestigious than mine, maybe, for the rich programme of a cinematographic event which is deservedly growing year by year. In a nutshell: I am leaving directing hassles to Emanuela Martini, who will be able to manage very well and to whom I am sending my warmest good luck wishes, but I am not disappearing from a festival I feel bound to, I shall contribute with some initiatives and probably with a custom-tailored section. I should like to take this advantage in the meantime to thank the whole team of people who gave life to edition number 31 of TFF, but especially the people of Turin, for the extraordinary cultural and human experience I had this year”.

Searching all the time for innovative models, the Torino Film Festival takes inspiration from the prestigious Telluride festival and, as the first one in Europe to do so, it is introducing the figure of Guest Director, who will suggest and act as curator of one or more events within the showcase, flanking the Festival Director.

Emanuela Martini takes on the TFF direction. A choice, this Virzì-Martini duo, in the spirit of continuity with the most successful edition of the festival and the work carried out over the past years by its team of collaborators.

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