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SF Studios has acquired the Nordic distribution rights to Ruben Östlund's new film *Triangle of Sadness*

It was announced today that SF Studios will distribute award-winning director Ruben Östlund's new feature film *Triangle of Sadness*, a contemporary satire taking place in the world of fashion. The story is set on a luxury yacht and ends up on a deserted island where hierarchies are turned upside down. The film is directed and scripted by Ruben Östlund (*The Square*, *Force Majeure*) and produced by Erik Hemmendorff at Plattform Produktion.

Ruben Östlund is currently planning his most ambitious feature ever. The film has a budget of approx. 10 million Euros and it will be his first English-language film.

"*Triangle of Sadness* is an existential candy-bag; reflecting, provocative and entertaining. The bar is as usual set high and we are currently planning the wildest scene ever in the history of film. On a luxury yacht, in a storm, passengers are struggling with sea sickness and table etiquette during a captain's dinner. A really nasty dish will be served", says Ruben Östlund.

"With *The Square* and *Force Majeure*, Ruben has become one of the world's most sought-for directors. We have a unique possibility to portray something pertinent of our time, something that creates desire and energy. The collaboration with SF Studios feels so right and so necessary. As Ruben's projects have grown in size there is a need to have a distributor with muscles", says Erik Hemmendorff.

"I'm very proud and excited to welcome Ruben Östlund back to SF studios. Once a rising talent, he is now a giant of the North. One could pitch SF studios as the Nordic powerhouse of Ingmar Bergman and Pippi Longstocking, names that for decades have represented the different poles of our magnetism. *Triangle of Sadness* combines that magnetism in a unique way. Ruben Östlund is a true daredevil that continues to challenge and entertain the audience with strong drama, wise poetry and solid humor. Plattform carries the feature film into the future, and we are excited to embark that journey together with them", says Yaba Holst, Head of Nordic Acquisition at SF Studios.

SF Studios and Ruben Östlund have previously worked together on the features *Involuntary* (2008) and *Play* (2011). Both films were produced by Plattform Produktion and distributed by SF Studios. For the latter, Ruben Östlund won his first Swedish film award "Guldbagge" in the Best Director category.

Triangle of Sadness is produced by Plattform Produktion in co-production with Film i Väst, SVT, Coproduction Office Aps, Arte France and Arte/ZDF and with support from the Swedish Film Institute. World sales is handled by Philippe Bober Coproduction Office. *Triangle of Sadness* is expected to be released in 2021.

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About SF Studios

SF Studios is one of the world's oldest film companies and is celebrating 100 years in 2019. Today SF Studios is the leading film studio in the Nordic region with its headquarters in Stockholm, Sweden and offices in Oslo, Copenhagen, Helsinki and London. The company produces and distributes feature films and TV series as well as providing the digital services SF Anytime and SF Kids.

About Plattform Produktion

Founded in 2002 by producer Erik Hemmendorff and director Ruben Östlund, Plattform Produktion has won over a hundred international prizes worldwide including the Palme d'Or for *The Square* (2017). Plattform Produktion has been nominated twice for the Golden Globe and BAFTA and both shortlisted and nominated for an Academy Award. The company's resume also includes the Jury Prize in Cannes Un Certain Regard, a record number of Swedish Guldbagge and EFA Awards including Best Film. *Force Majeure* has just been re-made as an English-language feature by Fox Searchlight with Will Farrell and Julia Louis-Dreyfus.

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