



Thomas Anargyros appointed CEO of Mediawan Studio, a new entity gathering Mediawan's French drama production companies

Paris, July 15th, 2020 – Mediawan announces today that Thomas Anargyros (until now CEO of Storia Television, a Mediawan Group company) has been appointed as CEO of Mediawan Studio, a new entity within its Mediawan Originals unit which will bring together the Group's French drama production companies. He will supervise and coordinate the activities of the Mediawan Studio companies and develop their international coproduction projects, so as to implement an ambitious development strategy of drama production for all broadcasters and SVOD platforms.

He will be supported by two COOs: Dominik Schmelck, currently Managing Director of Makeover (another Mediawan Group company) and Matthieu Thollin, currently COO of Storia Television.

"I am very happy to be able to count on Thomas' renowned talent and experience to develop and coordinate the activities of our French drama production companies, and lead the Group's ambition on that segment," declared Pierre-Antoine Capton, Chairman of the Board of Mediawan.

Thanks to an ambitious portfolio of franchises (like "The Red Bracelets", "Call My Agent", "The Crimson Rivers", "Alice Nevers" or "Savages"), Mediawan has been leading the ranking of French prime-time drama producers (published by Ecran Total magazine) since 2017.

Thomas Anargyros

Thomas Anargyros is CEO of Storia Television which for many years has been developing an ambitious production strategy in terms of French and international prime time drama.

Before that, Thomas Anargyros was Chairman of Cipango then of Europacorp Television France and USA where he produced many series including large international projects like "XIII" (with Val Kilmer and Stephen Dorff) for Canal+, M6 and NBC, distributed on over 160 territories, or the 26 episodes of the US series "Taken", in coproduction with Universal for NBC.

Among other awards, he has received an international Emmy Award for "Nuit Noire, 17 octobre 1961" as well as the award for best French TV Producer (Procirop).

Within Storia Television, Thomas Anargyros has produced many successes these past two years in particular series like "The Crimson Rivers" (24x52' for France 2 and ZDF), "Unfaithful" (12x52' for TF1), "Traqués" (2x45' for TF1) and "Aux Animaux la Guerre" (6x52' for France 3) as well as "Je sais tomber" (90' for Arte) and "La Maladroite" (90' for France 3).

Besides, Thomas Anargyros has been serving as President of the French union for independent audiovisual production ("Union Syndicale de la Production Audiovisuelle" or USPA) since January 2014.

Dominik Schmelck

Dominik Schmelck is a graduate from ESCP and joined Makeover in 2013 as Managing Director. Before that, he was Secretary General of GMT PRODUCTIONS (Lagardère Studios) after a first experience in audit and consulting.



Matthieu Thollin

Matthieu Thollin joined Thomas Anargyros within Europacorp Television in September 2014 as COO for France and the USA. Following the acquisition of that business by Mediawan, he became COO of Storia Television in January 2018.

Before that, he was Deputy Production Director at M6 Group. He graduated from ESSEC.

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Created in late 2015 by Pierre-Antoine Capton, Xavier Niel and Matthieu Pigasse, Mediawan soon became one of the main independent European studios producing premium content. Mediawan brings together best-in-class talents in audiovisual creation by operating on the entire value chain: production of drama, documentary and animated original content (Mediawan Originals and Mediawan Animation), distribution of audiovisual content (Mediawan Rights), and publishing of channels and digital services (Mediawan Thematics). Mediawan currently gathers 30 production labels.

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