

Press release

“ONE STEP FURTHER”

The theme of the 11th International Documentary Festival Visions dal Mondo in Milan from September 11 to 14, 2025

Milan, March 24, 2025 – The **International Documentary Festival Visions dal Mondo**, the annual event for reality cinema, founded and directed by **Francesco Bizzarri**, with the artistic direction of **Maurizio Nichetti**, returns in **Milan** from **September 11-14, 2025**.

ONE STEP FURTHER is the theme for the 11th edition, which highlights how we often live our daily lives distracted, without questioning the wonders and constant transformations of the world around us.

The 2025 edition of Visions dal Mondo invites us to take ONE STEP FURTHER to challenge indifference, rediscover the wonder of reality, and actively participate in building a more conscious future. In an era marked by fragmentation, crises, and uncertainty, the Festival encourages taking ONE STEP FURTHER towards awareness, change, and the construction of a more sustainable future, through documentary cinema, which by its nature tells the world's stories without filters, making it the ideal tool to foster this process of growth and understanding.

ONE STEP FURTHER is not just a concept but a call to action, an invitation to look beyond the surface, to question things with a critical eye and an open heart. “Wonder is the beginning of knowledge,” Plato said, and documentary cinema allows us to rediscover this sense of wonder.

“ONE STEP FURTHER is not just an invitation to reflect but a call to take a stand. It demands careful attention and a way of thinking that goes beyond the immediate and the superficial. It urges us not to settle for the ordinary but to question the world with a sense of wonder and the critical perspective that only documentary cinema can provide.” – states Francesco Bizzarri, President and Director of Visions dal Mondo.

“Taking ONE STEP FURTHER is something we must all do, both as individuals and as a society, to build a fairer and more sustainable future. In a world where artificial intelligence seems to overshadow human qualities, we should instead provocatively speak of Real Intelligence, the kind that stems from sensitivity, creativity, and the ability to feel emotions. And that is precisely what documentary cinema represents, an act of resistance against the standardization of thought.” – says Maurizio Nichetti, Artistic Director of Visions dal Mondo.

The Festival will once again present a rich and diverse program, including events, masterclasses, and panel discussions. It will feature the **Italian Contest**, dedicated to Italian filmmakers with two categories: feature films and first-time new talent; the **International Contest**, open to foreign productions; the **Visions Incontra Contest**, aimed at documentary

projects still in the work-in-progress or advanced final development stage; and the **Visioni VR Contest**, dedicated to linear virtual reality works.

The deadline for competition entries and documentary submissions is **May 31**. Participation details are available on the official website: www.visionidalmondo.it.

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