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Embracer Group acquires Sola Media August 13, 2020



KOCH FILMS ACQUIRES SOLA MEDIA

Established, focused player with stable profits and cash flow, significant pipeline visibility and a great fit with Koch Films



koch films

Sola in brief

- Sales agent of international film- and TV-rights, distributing children and family films across the globe
- Founded in 2004 by Solveig Langeland, a Norwegian-born industry veteran
- Small team of hand-picked industry experts, based in Stuttgart, Germany
- "Distributor of the year" award 2018 at Cartoon Movie in Bordeaux

Financials in brief

• Estimated net sales of €4–5m and operating EBIT of around €1m per year on average over the coming years

Acquisition highlights

- Strategic focus on, and extensive experience in, attractive niche animated children and family films
- Significant pipeline visibility with 12 signed projects
- Established business with stable profitability and cash conversion
- Notable synergies where i.a. Sola provides additional access to content and Koch Films provides additional access to markets

Deal terms

 Koch Films (wholly-owned subsidiary of Embracer Group) acquires 100% of Sola Media for €2.3m, of which 80% in cash and 20% in Embracer B shares



STRATEGY AND FUTURE

Strict focus and careful selection

- Focus on children and family films a less glamorous segment but with a stable audience and less perceived competition and risk
- Increasing focus on animation films with animal characters
 which have more universal appeal

Future

- Sola to remain independent with Solveig Langeland committed to remaining as managing director
- Taking bigger role in production phase, securing early hold on attractive projects
- Longer-term goal is to integrating backwards into development and establishing own IP





RECENT RELEASES AND PIPELINE

Significant pipeline visibility with 12 signed projects



Release: Sep 2019



Nov 2019

Q1 2021



Dec 2019



Jan 2020



 Latte & the Magic Waterstone is the first Sola project to be distributed through Netflix – will bring in a healthy, fixed quarterly income over the coming 4 years. (Trailer)



Feb 2020



12 signed pipeline projects



TEAM

Small, hand-picked team of industry experts with dedication, enthusiasm and customer focus



Maren Maier

Delivery Management and Acquisitions

Sola since 2014

Master of Arts in Literature, Art and Media/Languages from University of Konstanz



Isabel Schneider

Marketing and Festival Coordinator

Sola since 2019

Masters degree in Communication Management, University of Hohenheim



Solveig Langeland

Managing Director

Founded Sola in 2004

MBA, University of Southern California

Experience from i.a. IBM, US Bank and film distribution



Barbie Heusinger Sales

Sola since 2018

Master of Audio-visual Business Management, Universidad Carlos III, Madrid

(Independent contractor)



Johannes Busse

Sales

Sola since 2012

Bachelor in Communication Management, University of Hohenheim

IAGIC WATERSTONE

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Out on Netflix now

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