

NENT Group presents action thriller 'The Machinery' as next original series

- Eight-part series to premiere exclusively on Viaplay in 2020
- 'The Machinery' stars Kristoffer Joner ('The Revenant'; 'Mission: Impossible Fallout')
- NENT Group to premiere at least 20 original productions every year

'The Machinery', a Swedish-Norwegian action thriller series, will be the next original production from Nordic Entertainment Group (NENT Group), the Nordic region's leading streaming company. The eight-part series is headlined by Norwegian Hollywood star Kristoffer Joner ('The Revenant') and will premiere across the Nordic region exclusively on NENT Group's Viaplay streaming service in 2020.

In 'The Machinery' (Norwegian title: 'Maskineriet'), family man Olle (Kristoffer Joner: 'The Revenant'; 'Mission: Impossible – Fallout') wakes up on a ferry between Sweden and Norway with no memory of how he got there. What happened? Why is there a gun, a balaclava and a suitcase full of cash next to him? And can he escape both the police and his own secret past?

'The Machinery' also stars Julia Schacht ('Melk'), Emilia Roosmann, Hanna Alström (the 'Kingsman' films), Anastasios Soulis ('Gåsmamman'), Emil Almén ('The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo'), Rune Temte ('Captain Marvel') and Bjørn Sundquist ('Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters').

The eight-part series is directed by Rickard Holm (NENT Group's 'Honour') and written by Kjersti Ugelstad (NENT Group's 'Wisting') and Niclas Ekström ('30 Degrees in February'). 'The Machinery' is produced by Martin Persson and Karolina Heimburg at Anagram Sweden, in cooperation with Film i Väst and Helsinki Filmi. Filming is ongoing in Gothenburg, Strömstad and Sandefjord.

Jakob Mejlhede Andersen, Viaplay Chief Content Officer: "NENT Group's next original series opens somewhere between Sweden and Norway and then pushes boundaries the whole way. The tension, scripting and, above all, the pacing of this show are all on another level. The 'man on the run' genre has an enduring power to get viewers' pulses racing, and 'The Machinery' brings together some of the two countries' biggest talents to tell one of our most breathless and compelling stories yet."

About NENT Group's original productions

NENT Group has now launched 52 original productions and is set to premiere a minimum of 20 every year. In the past 12 months, 'Honour'; 'Manson's Bloodline'; season two of 'ALEX';



'Swedish Sin'; 'Straight Forward'; season one of 'Saga's Stories'; 'Wisting'; 'The Inner Circle'; 'Darkness – Those Who Kill'; 'Hidden'; 'The Truth Will Out'; 'Four Hands Menu'; 'Pros and Cons'; 'Conspiracy of Silence'; 'Couple Trouble'; season two of 'The Great Escape'; and season two of 'Black Lake' have premiered.

Recently announced originals include season three of '<u>The Great Escape</u>'; season two of '<u>Saga's Stories</u>'; '<u>Food & Fire</u>'; '<u>First Responders</u>'; '<u>Seizure</u>'; '<u>Partisan</u>'; '<u>American Runestone</u>'; '<u>Home Invasion</u>'; 'The Professionals'; '<u>Fixi in Playland</u>'; '<u>Shadowplay</u>'; '<u>Box 21</u>'; <u>season two</u> of 'Rig 45'; '<u>The Ambassador</u>'; '<u>Margeaux</u>'; '<u>Cryptid</u>'; '<u>Commando</u>'; '<u>Face to Face</u>'; '<u>Love Me</u>'; and 'Cold Courage'.

As well as breaking Nordic viewing records, NENT Group's originals are increasingly reaching audiences around the world. Amongst others, 'ALEX' has been sold to broadcast and streaming partners in <u>Europe</u>, <u>Asia and the US</u>; 'Veni Vidi Vici' has premiered on <u>Hulu</u> and is set for a <u>US remake in partnership with Lionsgate</u>; 'Swedish Dicks' has featured on <u>Pop TV</u> in the US; 'Black Lake' has been shown on <u>BBC Four and AMC Networks-backed Shudder</u>; and 'Honour' has been sold to RTL in Germany and to Belgium's VRT.

<u>In January 2019</u>, NENT Group announced a UK-based joint venture with award-winning independent studio FilmNation Entertainment to develop, produce and finance premium scripted television content for global audiences.

In May 2019, NENT Group invested in a minority stake in the new US production company Picturestart together with a range of high-profile industry partners. Based in Los Angeles and founded by renowned producer Erik Feig, Picturestart will create, co-finance and produce premium scripted content for young adult viewers around the world.

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