

Global bestseller 'The Swarm' becomes NENT Group's largest Viaplay Original production to date

- Frank Doelger ('Game of Thrones') to be executive producer of latest Viaplay Original
- English-language ecological thriller co-produced by NENT Group, Rai Fiction, France Télévisions, Intaglio Films and ndF International Production
- NENT Group to premiere at least 30 original productions in 2020

The next original production from Nordic Entertainment Group (NENT Group), the Nordic region's leading streaming company, is the international ecological thriller 'The Swarm'. Multiple Emmy Award winner Frank Doelger ('Game of Thrones') will be executive producer of the ambitious eight-episode drama series, which is based on Frank Schätzing's bestselling novel. 'The Swarm' will premiere exclusively across the Nordic region on NENT Group's Viaplay streaming service.

'The Swarm' tells the story of one of the biggest challenges humanity has ever faced. A group of scientists, tasked with investigating the strange behaviour of marine animals around the world, makes the chilling discovery that the ocean depths conceal a mysterious collective intelligence that is suffering the effects of human pollution and has now decided to fight back.

The English-language series is co-produced by NENT Group, Italy's Rai Fiction, France Télévisions, and Germany's Intaglio Films (a production joint venture between Beta Film and ZDF Enterprises) and ndF International Production. Frank Schätzing and ndF's Eric Welbers will join Doelger as executive producers. 'The Swarm' will begin filming later this year.

Filippa Wallestam, NENT Group Chief Content Officer: "The team that will bring this very topical book to the screen is exceptional. This is a unique and urgent story that confronts us with a planet that is dangerously out of balance. 'The Swarm' will be a complex, ambitious and visually stunning series. At the same time, it is a statement production from NENT Group and our partners that will thrill and unsettle audiences in the Nordic region and around the world."

About NENT Group's original productions

NENT Group is set to premiere a minimum of 30 original productions in 2020. In the past six months, ['Mia's Magic Playground'](#); season two of 'Couple Trouble'; ['Box 21'](#); ['The Art of Living'](#); season three of 'Occupied'; season three of ['The Great Escape'](#); ['Food & Fire'](#); season

one of [‘Face to Face’](#); [‘Aniara’](#); [‘Seizure’](#); season one of [‘Love Me’](#); season one of [‘Fixi in Playland’](#); and season one of [‘Honour’](#) have premiered on Viaplay across the Nordic region.

Recently announced originals include [‘Delete Me’](#); season two of [‘The Truth Will Out’](#); [‘Harmonica’](#); season two of [‘Pros and Cons’](#); [‘Perfect People’](#); season two of [‘Face to Face’](#); [‘Huss’](#); season two of [‘Those Who Kill’](#); seasons two and three of [‘Fixi in Playland’](#); season two of [‘Honour’](#); [‘The Last Journey of the Vikings’](#); [‘Hammarvik’](#); [‘Thicker than Water’](#); season two of [‘The Lawyer’](#); season two of [‘Love Me’](#); [‘The Machinery’](#); season two of [‘Saga’s Stories’](#); [‘First Responders’](#); [‘Partisan’](#); seasons one and two of [‘American Runestone’](#); [‘Home Invasion’](#); [‘The Professionals’](#); [‘Shadowplay’](#); season two of [‘Rig 45’](#); [‘The Ambassador’](#); [‘Margeaux’](#); [‘Cryptid’](#); [‘Commando’](#); and [‘Cold Courage’](#).

As well as breaking Nordic viewing records, NENT Group’s originals are also reaching audiences around the world. Amongst others, [‘ALEX’](#) has been sold in [Europe, Asia and the US](#); [‘Veni Vidi Vici’](#) has premiered on [Hulu](#) and is set for a [US remake in partnership with Lionsgate](#); [‘Pros and Cons’](#) has been picked up by [Canal+ and Topic](#); [‘Honour’](#) has been sold to [RTL and VRT](#); and [‘Those Who Kill’](#) is available on [the BBC and ARTE](#).

During 2019, NENT Group announced a UK-based joint venture with [FilmNation Entertainment](#) and invested in new US studio [Picturestart](#).

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