

AFM: France, Italy Nab German Comedy Hit



'Suck Me Shakespeer 2'

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Italy and France are ready to laugh at German blockbuster comedy *Suck Me Shakespeer 2*.

Picture Tree International signed deals with Italian distributor Medusa and France's SND for the school-days laffer, Bora Dagtekin's sequel to his 2013 hit, starring Elyas M'Barek, Jella Haase and Karoline Herfurth. The movie, which has grossed more than \$66 million in Germany, also went to A-Z Films for French Canada and has been pre-sold across Eastern Europe and Russia.

Picture Tree also found buyers for more serious titles on its slate at the American Film Market, with Finnish war drama *The Midwife* going to Lighthouse for Germany, Entermode for South Korea and Vinery Intl. for Chinese release, among others; and artist biopic *Egon Schiele* nabbed by New Select for Japan, TCast for South Korea, A-Z Films for Canada and Cinemart for the Czech Republic, among other deals.

Picture Tree inked a U.S. deal with Music Box Films for its Austrian horror comedy *Therapy for a Vampire* early on at the AFM and found multiple takers for *Paulo Coelho's Best Story*, the biopic about the Brazilian writer, which Music Box released stateside. Daniel Augusto's drama, about the writer of *The Alchemist* and *The Pilgrimage*, went to Germany's MFA, Kino Swiat in Poland, Bir Film in Turkey, Israel's IBEX and Neo Films for Greece.