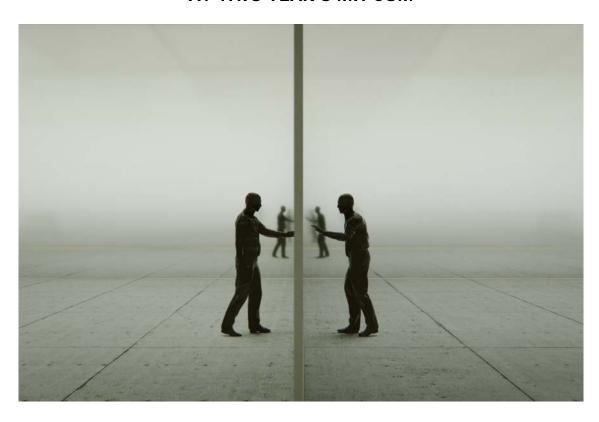


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Press Release

SONY PICTURES ENTERTAINMENT WILL SCREEN THE HIGHLY-ANTICIPATED DRAMA SERIES "COUNTERPART" AT THIS YEAR'S MIPCOM



Paris, 11 September 2017 – Sony Pictures Entertainment is inviting delegates at MIPCOM 2017 to an **exclusive screening** of the highly-anticipated, new drama series, "Counterpart," an espionage series about a mysterious world hidden beneath the surface of our everyday existence.

The global entertainment content market, MIPCOM takes place in Cannes, France, from 16-19 October.

The "Counterpart" screening will take place in the Palais des Festivals on **Sunday 15 October at 6:30pm**, and will be open to all delegates. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion with the cast and producer of the show.

In "Counterpart," from MRC, Anonymous Content and Gilbert Films, Academy Award Winner JK Simmons ("Whiplash," "La La Land," the "Spider-Man" franchise) plays Howard Silk, a lowly cog in the bureaucratic machinery of a Berlin-based UN spy agency. When Howard discovers that his organization safeguards the secret of a crossing into a parallel dimension, he is thrust into a shadowy world of intrigue, danger, and double crossing... where the only man he can trust is "Prime" (also played by JK Simmons), his near-identical counterpart from this parallel world.

The series also stars Olivia Williams ("The Sixth Sense," "Hyde Park on Hudson," "Manhattan") as 'Emily Burton Silk;' Harry Lloyd ("The Theory of Everything," "Jane Eyre," "Manhattan") as 'Peter Quayle;' Nazanin Boniadi ("Homeland," "Ben-Hur," "Hotel Mumbai") as 'Clare;' Nicholas Pinnock ("Captain America: The First Avenger," "Marcella," "A.D. The Bible Continues") as 'Ian Shaw;' Sara Serraiocco ("Salvo," "Cloro," "Worldly Girl") as 'Baldwin' and Ulrich Thomsen ("The Blacklist," "Banshee") as 'Aldrich.'

Norwegian-born director Morten Tyldum, best known for his Oscar®-nominated work on "The Imitation Game" (2014), as well as for "Headhunters" (2011), and "Buddy" (2003), directed the first episode. Tyldum also directed Jennifer Lawrence and Chris Pratt in the science fiction thriller film "Passengers."

Created and written by Justin Marks ("The Jungle Book"), "Counterpart" is executive produced by Tyldum and Marks with Amy Berg ("Da Vinci's Demons"), Gary Gilbert ("La La Land") from Gilbert Films, Jordan Horowitz ("La La Land"), Keith Redmon ("The Revenant") and Bard Dorros ("Spotlight") from Anonymous Content.

Keith Le Goy, President, Worldwide TV Distribution, Sony Pictures Entertainment, said: "'Counterpart' is a series which will make a massive global impact. Audiences will be drawn to the big and compelling story, and the stellar line-up of talent in front of and behind the camera. 'Counterpart' is going to rock MIPCOM and rock the world."

"We are delighted to welcome back Sony Pictures Entertainment to MIPCOM for the second year running to showcase their latest drama series 'Counterpart' during the MIPCOM Pre-Opening World Premiere Screening. 'Counterpart' will be the first exclusive preview screened at the international marketplace making the tradeshow a key event for buyers worldwide," said Laurine Garaude, Director of Reed MIDEM's Television Division.

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