



# EUROPA PASSAGE

by Andrei Schwartz



## SYNOPSIS

The film covers the double life of a group of Roma who have been shuttling between Hamburg and their Romanian village for years. They earn their meagre income through begging and spend nights in improvised shacks alongside train tracks or in the thickets of public parks. Four to five times a year they return home to Năməiesti, a village about 100 km west of Bucharest, to take care of their children. Only Maria and Țirloi managed to build a bit of normality for themselves in Hamburg; they have a place to stay and their 13-year-old granddaughter is the first in the family to be able to read and write. They form the bridge between the two worlds: he has work, she still begs.

## FESTIVALS

2022

37 DOK.fest Munich – Documentary Film Prize of the Goethe-Institut Nominee

39 Kassel Documentary FF

2023

shortlisted #lola23 – Deutscher Filmpreis Dokumentarfilm

17 Ethnocineca IDFF Vienna

Deutscher Kamerapreis [German Cinematographer Award] – Susanne Schüle

## CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Andrei Schwartz · PRODUCER Stefan Schubert ·

SOUND Giacomo Goldbecker, Marin Cazacu, Helge Ole Haack, Stefan Bück · EDITOR Heidrun Schweitzer, Robert Strauß · DOP

Susanne Schüle · PRODUCTION ASSISTANT Anja Padge · SOUND DESIGN Simon Bastian

Germany 2021

90 min

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait, Human Rights, Migration, Social issues

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

Romanian, German

PREMIERE

Germany (2021)

LINKS / REFERENCE

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