

**PRESS RELEASE**

## **Bertelsmann Presents Restored Movie Classic ‘The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari’ in New York**

- **Highlight of the German Films Festival “KINO! 2016”**

New York, April 12, 2016 – Bertelsmann presented the digitally restored edition of Robert Wiene’s classic silent movie “The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari” as one of the highlights of the “KINO! 2016” German film festival in New York. Hundreds of movie fans attended the two screenings at the brand-new Metrograph movie theater in Manhattan's Lower East Side on Monday, proving that silent movies continue to excite and inspire people after nearly a century. Raphaël Marionneau, one of Europe’s best-known DJs, provided the musical accompaniment. Between the screenings, Bertelsmann invited about 100 guests, including renowned film industry professionals, authors and representatives from the media, to a reception at the Metrograph in New York.

Robert Wiene’s dark masterpiece, “The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari” dates back to 1920 and is considered a milestone of expressionist cinema. In 2014, Bertelsmann had funded the comprehensive digital restoration of this cinematic gem from the inventory of the Friedrich Wilhelm Murnau Foundation, drawing attention to the urgently needed digitization of cinematic heritage. Before New York, Bertelsmann had already screened the restored movie in Berlin, Brussels, Ghent, Madrid and Paris.

Organized by German Films, “KINO! 2016” brings fresh German films to Spring-time New York. Curated by New York industry professionals, the festival takes place from April 7 to 14 in the Cinema Village. The screenings of “The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari” were featured twice in the New York Times leading up to the event.

### **About Bertelsmann**

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