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Award-Winning Executive Producer, known for Das Boot and Freud to establish new ITV Studios Production Company in Germany

**London, Munich 15 April, 2021** - Moritz Polter, the award-winning Executive Producer behind the internationally acclaimed German-originated series Das Boot for Sky (third season currently in post-production), Freud for Netflix/ORF and Arctic Circle for ZDF/Elisa Viihde/YLE is to join ITV Studios, establishing a new high-end scripted label which will be launched later in 2021.

Moritz has been named among Variety's Top 10 Global Creatives to Watch and has shepherded many series to become critically acclaimed, award-winning works

of fiction, collecting accolades such as the ROMY Award for Best Producer TV-Fiction (Freud, 2020), the ROMY Award Jury Prize (Das Boot, 2019) and the GQ Men of the Year Award International TV (Das Boot, 2018), to name a selection.

Based in Germany with an international scope, Moritz will bring his rich expertise in the creation, financing and delivery of high-profile international productions to the new venture. In his most recent position as Executive Producer, International Television Series at Bavaria Fiction, Moritz built a specialist and unrivalled division in the German market which created several successful multi-territory co-productions for linear broadcasters and international streamers. He will report to Lisa Perrin, Managing Director, International Production at ITV Studios based in London. The name of the new label will be revealed in due course, ITV Studios will distribute its series internationally.

Lisa Perrin, Managing Director, International production, ITV Studios, said: “We have long been aware of the scope for high quality European drama to find international success, but currently the opportunity is at a record high. Increasingly, well-produced German drama series are proving themselves to have global resonance and several of the most successful have been brought to screen by Moritz Polter. We’re delighted to welcome him into the ITV Studios family and are excited about what we can achieve together.”

Moritz Polter said: “I am thrilled to join the ITV Studios family. Looking at the amazing producer talent which is already part of the business I am overjoyed to be given the opportunity to create my own label among such an illustrious Group. ITV Studios is a great partner which is looking for the same thing I am looking for: Bringing together exceptional talent behind and in front of the camera to create exciting, thought provoking and entertaining programmes which reach local and global audiences alike.”

Prior to his role at Bavaria Fiction, Moritz Polter spent nine years with Tandem Productions (formerly Tandem Communications), ultimately as Vice President of Production. In this capacity he supervised numerous outstanding productions, including the internationally successful TV series Crossing Lines, starring Donald Sutherland and William Fichtner, and the critically acclaimed Spotless, a CANAL+ Création Originale series.

Moritz Polter graduated from King Alfred’s College in Winchester, England in Business, Media and Film Studies.

As part of ITV Studios' expansion drive in the global drama market, the major production and distribution group now includes the renowned global scripted producers Cattleya in Italy (Gomorra, Suburra, ZeroZeroZero), Apple Tree Productions in Denmark (Equinox, Blackwater), Tetra Media Studios France (Balthazar, Paris Police 1900), World Productions (Bodyguard, Line of Duty, The Pembroke Murders) and Mammoth Screen in the UK (The Serpent, Poldark).

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