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**Letter for further cultural cooperation between Bologna and Estonia**

Dear Mr. Daniele Del Pozzo,

I would like to thank you once more for hosting the Estonian writers and illustrators together with their literary *Cittadini Creativi* in Bologna! I was a great pleasure to meet you and to exchange with you. Estonia is proud to have been able to present our literature and illustration at the world's most influential children's book fair in Bologna, and we will be back next year.

On top of that, I would also like to continue our exchange about other cooperation possibilities in the field of culture. As I already mentioned, the **Cineteca di Bologna's international film festival Il Cinema Ritrovato** is very well known by the **Estonian Film Institute and the Estonian Film Archive**, two main film institutions in Estonia who are close partners for the Ministry of Culture.

The Estonian Film Institute preserves, digitalizes and promotes an archive with productions from 1941 to 2001, representing an important part of the Estonian cultural memory, made accessible for new generations as well as our international partners: <https://classics.filmi.ee/> These heritage films reveal not only various production techniques through different eras, but echo also the changing values of the society and authors' ambitions. The films produced in the studio Tallinnfilm since 1960s include modernist animation, poetic documentaries and works of the director Leida Laius whose focus was on female characters in classic literature and in the Soviet society. We would be delighted to assist the curation of heritage programs in cooperation with **heritage film festivals, notably with Il Cinema Ritrovato in Bologna.**

We would be very grateful if you could help us by putting us in touch with Cineteca di Bologna and Il Cinema Ritrovato so that we could discuss possibilities for future cooperation.

From our side, we would be delighted to share with you any contacts that might prove useful for the network of Bologna's cultural organizations, e.g. for the cooperation of puppet theatres.

Looking forward to the next encounters between Bologna and Estonia,

Yours sincerely,

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Minister