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## Shopstewards

Composed of television professionals from all corners of the world, the Shopstewards are a unique group whose task it is to select the best programmes from hundreds of entries and to arrange the conference screening schedule. The Shopstewards mix the selected programmes into diverse screening sessions and discussion themes, which become the backbone of the conference.

Shopstewards are accompanied through this process by a Shopsteward Coordinator, an International Selection Coordinator and an International Programme Coordinator. The selection process is usually held in February - since 2006 the host has been the German international broadcaster, Deutsche Welle. Shopstewards are nominated by the National Coordinators to the International Board. If there is no National Coordinator, the Board handles applications over the Secretary General.

The name 'Shopsteward' is a term used in labour union circles. The Union Steward (aka Shopsteward) is a representative on the floor of a workshop - in other words, someone who represents the workers from within their own hierarchical level.

Shopstewards at INPUT not only make the selection of programmes, but also sets up the conference programme, and leads the discussions after the presentation of each programme.

### Further information

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