



## VET ACADEMY

### A New Animated series for TFOU in Development with SUPERPROD Group

Paris, [date] – TFOU, the TF1 group's dedicated children's programming block, has announced an exciting new development partnership with SUPERPROD for the animated series *VET ACADEMY*. This original 3D CGI series will feature 52 episodes of 11 minutes and is set to captivate young audiences aged 4 to 7 with its thrilling and heartwarming adventures centered around animal rescue and protection.

Each episode will follow the V Team, a group of five young veterinary apprentices. They embark on rescue missions to save and heal animals in distress.

A puma caught in a trap..., a baby whale exposed to toxic chemicals..., or a panda being kidnapped by a mad scientist...who can save them??? The V-Team! These young veterinarians in training will move heaven and earth to rescue and heal any animal in danger. Located on Harmony Island, a land of rich landscapes and extraordinary wildlife, the Vet Academy is a school 100% dedicated to animal rescue and welfare. Five children have been chosen to join the prestigious school. They will form the V-Team.

*VET ACADEMY*, an original series created by leading French director Charles Vaucelle (*Pat the Dog, Oggy and the Cockroaches, The Daltons, Lucky Luke, and Dogmatix and the Indomitables*) and Matthieu Choquet, story edited by Valérie Baranski, will be produced at SUPERPROD's studios in Paris, Angoulême, and Milan. SUPERRIGHTS, the group's distribution arm, will handle international sales.

**Yann Labasque, Head of TF1 group's youth programming,** said: *"We are delighted to be working hand in hand with SUPERPROD on this series, it's a perfect combination of adventure and heartwarming stories which spring from the unique bond between children and animals. SUPERPROD has pulled together a team of exceptional artists and writers to create an unforgettable experience for our young viewers."*

**Director Charles Vaucelle** commented: *"I've always loved having pets at home and I know that children love to care about animals. Moreover, my wife is a veterinarian and for years, I've wanted to introduce children to this wonderful profession. I even hope that it will inspire future veterinarians! To make our apprentice vets' missions more visual and exciting, I've designed V-suits, special suits that give them extraordinary abilities and protect them during their rescue missions. These suits are also equipped with numerous useful gadgets for diagnosing and providing first aid to animals."*



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**Jérémie Fajner and Clément Calvet, founders of group SUPERPROD,** started: *"With Vet Academy, we wanted to create a series that would not only entertain children but also raise their awareness of the importance of animal welfare and wildlife preservation. Adventure, discovery and fun are at the heart of this original creation. After collaborating with us on two seasons of family favorite « Lassie », we are thrilled to work with the TF1 teams once again."*

### **About TFOU**

A favourite destination for kids under 10, TFOU, TF1's children's slot, achieved excellent performances in 2024, reaching a leading average of more than 21% viewing share. It offers a rich programming slate of animated series including literary adaptations, acquisitions and original creations. Since January 2024, this newly extended schedule of 1400 hours has been available across multiple channels on TF1, TFX as well as on the free streaming platform TF1+. Thanks to this growth, TFOU continues to reach a wide audience and maintain its excellent performance with children.

Source: Médiamétrie – Average Audience Share, 2024.

### **About SUPERPROD Group**

SUPERPROD Group, with cutting-edge animation studios in Paris, Angoulême, Milan, and Luxembourg, and offices in London, Los Angeles and New York, is a technological leader collaborating with top-tier talent and partners to produce award-winning content for US and international markets.

The group includes SUPERPROD ANIMATION, producing premium animation TV series, and SUPERPROD DRAMA, dedicated to prime-time drama, as well as SUPERPROD FILMS, which focuses on the development and production of animated and live-action feature films. It also includes RED MONK STUDIO, an Italian production studio specializing in fiction and animation, SUPERRIGHTS, dedicated to the international distribution of premium content for children and families, 440 Hz, a platform for music rights management, and THE CO-PRODUCTION COMPANY, a finance and distribution company based in New York.

SUPERPROD Group recently acquired MELUSINE STUDIO in Luxembourg, which focuses on premium animation features and series and have collected 4 Oscar nominations and awards and nominations in all major festivals around the world, and founded a new UK based



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production company, WHEEL IN MOTION, with Alexi Wheeler, former head of Kids for EMEA at Netflix . WATCH NEXT MEDIA, founded and led by Philippe Alessandri, is also now part of the SUPERPROD Group. Its productions, such as *Hello Kitty* and *Nate is Late*, enhance SUPERPROD's portfolio of excellence.

SUPERPROD Group has produced films and series, both fiction and animation, for clients such as Passion Paris, Netflix, (HBO) Max, Amazon Prime, Warner Bros Animation, Universal Pictures, Nickelodeon, Canal Plus, France Télévisions, TF1, M6, SND, BBC, RAI, and ARD. Recent productions include the animated series *Batwheels*, *Lego Friends*, *Spirit Rangers*, and *Paddington*, the film *Mr Blake at your service* starring John Malkovich, as well as the prime-time fiction series *Panda* and teen sitcom *Home Sweet Rome* for BBC, ARD, Rai, Family Channel and Max.

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