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IM Global Taps Former MGM/UA Exec Chris Bosco



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Bosco to serve as chief operating officer



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Former MGM/United Artists exec Chris Bosco has joined IM Global as chief operating officer and will report directly to CEO Stuart Ford.

Bosco has been based in Prague, where he was responsible for operations and finance for Central European Media Enterprises in seven countries in Europe.

Bosco was an exec VP of finance at MGM/UA, where he was responsible for worldwide finance including film and TV development, production, distribution and marketing. He also was involved with a \$400 million film financing fund and growing new businesses.

The move comes six years after Ford launched the sales-financing-production banner. It's been backed by Reliance Entertainment since 2010, when Ford sold a majority stake in the business to the Indian conglomerate.

"As we grow IM Global into an increasingly diverse business with operations on four continents, bringing onboard a seasoned operational executive like Chris Bosco is a fundamental next step," Ford said.

IM Global produced and financed six films in 2013, including serving as a partner on Fox's forthcoming wide release "Walking with Dinosaurs" and Open Road's upcoming release of the sequel to "A Haunted House." During 2013, it also saw foreign box office successes in "Lee Daniels' The Butler" and "Before Midnight," opened a Beijing office and launched Latin American film sales venture Mundial.