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AIB backs successful Galway-made International TV series with €3.5m loan

AIB Corporate Banking today announced that it provided €3.5 million in funding for a new season of the internationally acclaimed TV series Jack Taylor which is now running on the new Irish TV channel be3.

The gritty crime series features Irish ex-cop Jack Taylor played by Iain Glen (*Game of Thrones*, *Downton Abbey*, *Cleverman*, *Resident Evil*). Starring alongside Iain Glen are leading detective garda Kate Noonan, played by Siobhan O’Kelly, and Darragh Noonan played by Jack Monaghan.

The new series comprises three 90 minute films shot on location in Galway City and Connemara last year. The series, based on the novels by Galway author Ken Bruen has developed an international fan base, airing in the UK, Australia, New Zealand, Germany, US and Canada. The series will also be made available on Netflix.

Jack Taylor was produced by Galway Production Company Telegael in association with ZDF Enterprises (Germany) and Content Media International (USA).

The multi-Emmy Award winning Telegael is one of Ireland’s leading film and television production companies which produces live action and animated content for the global television market and for worldwide cinema release.

In 2016, AIB supported Telegael with lending of c. €15 million and has to date backed about 40 projects.

AIB Corporate Banking Manager Jennifer Keane said: “We are delighted to support Telegael and the Jack Taylor series, one of a large number of feature films and television series produced by Telegael at its Galway-based studios.”

Telegael CEO Paul Cummins said: "The team at AIB offer a prompt, efficient, streamlined service tailored to Telegael's constantly changing requirements in a helpful and collaborative manner. They understand our business and have been an important partner in Telegael's recent growth and expansion into new markets".

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