

ECHO 2018: List of nominees complete & additional acts confirmed!

The nominations for “Best Video (National)” and “Critics’ Award (National)” are now in, so the pre-voting is over and the list of ECHO nominees is complete.

German rapper Bausa received his fourth nomination, bringing him on par with Ed Sheeran. Also nominated this year: Beatsteaks feat. Deichkind, Casper, Feine Sahne Fischfilet, Marteria feat. Teutilla, Kat Frankie, Tocotronic and many more

Newly announced live acts set to perform on this year’s ECHO stage include Luis Fonsi, Mark Forster feat. Gentleman and Rea Garvey feat. Kool Savas

The ECHO ceremony will be held on 12 April at Messe Berlin and broadcast live on VOX starting at 8:15pm. New this year: a “Public Viewing Deluxe” especially for fans!

Berlin, 22 March 2018 – Germany’s Federal Music Industry Association (BVMI) has announced the names of the further live acts that will be performing at the ECHO 2018. Joining **Jason Derulo, Helene Fischer, Rita Ora & Liam Payne** live on the ECHO 2018 stage this year will be **Luis Fonsi, Mark Forster & Gentleman** as well as **Rea Garvey & Kool Savas**. The ECHO awards ceremony will be broadcast live on the evening of 12 April starting at 20:15 on VOX. Seeing as the tickets for the TV studio sell out within minutes every year, the ECHO has now organized a special “Public Viewing Deluxe” that will feature a DJ, a private concert and live transmission of the ceremony from the adjacent concert hall. Tickets cost € 41.65; this price includes VAT but not the Eventim pre-sale fee.

The BVMI also announced the names of the artists nominated in the two remaining ECHO categories, thus completing the list for this year. In the category “Best Video (National)”, **Bausa** is nominated for the video to his song “Was du Liebe nennst” (Dir: **Adal Giorgis**; Production: **1take films**), bringing the rapper’s total to four nominations and tying him with **Ed Sheeran**. Nominated for an ECHO in the same category are **Beatsteaks feat. Deichkind** for their video for “L auf der Stirn” (Dir: **Auge Altona**; Production: **mookwe**) and Berlin-based Aussie singer-

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songwriter **Kat Frankie** for the video to her song “Bad Behaviour” (Dir: **Julia Patey**; Production: **Massuda Kassem/Mutter & Vater**). Also up for Best Video are **Fünf Sterne Deluxe** with “Moin Bumm Tschack” (Dir: **Roman Schaible**; Production: **Paul’s Boutique**) and **Marteria feat. Teutilla** for “Aliens” (Dir: **Specter Berlin**; Production: **Sascha Pollack**).

The jury in charge of the ECHO “Critics’ Prize (National)” also announced the picks for their favourite albums of the year. Made up of renowned music critics, this year’s jury chose “Lang lebe der Tod” by **Casper**, “Sturm & Dreck” from the band **Feine Sahne Fischfilet**, “All Melody” by the Hamburg-based electronic sound master **Nils Frahm**, “Montenegro Zero” by rapper **Haiyti** and “Die Unendlichkeit” by the band **Tocotronic**.

For more information, please consult the attached list of all 90 ECHO nominees in 18 of the total of 22 categories or visit us online at www.echo-deutscher-musikpreis.de.

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ECHO 2018 GERMAN MUSIC AWARDS

- DATE:** 12 April 2018, TV broadcast at 8:15pm live on VOX
- LOCATION:** Messe Berlin
- LIVE ACTS:** Jason Derulo, Helene Fischer, Luis Fonsi, Mark Forster feat. Gentleman, Rea Garvey feat. Kool Savas, Rita Ora & Liam Payne u.a.

BACKGROUND:

The ECHO German Music Awards have been handed out since 1992 by the music-industry body known as the Deutsche Phono-Akademie, which acts as the cultural arm of Germany’s Federal Music Industry Association (Bundesverband Musikindustrie, BVMI). Each year, the awards honour the most outstanding and successful music recordings and performances by national and international artists. This year, the ECHO will be handed out in 22 categories. ECHO winners are determined in equal part by chart success and the final vote of the ECHO jury. ECHO winners in previous years include German artists such as Herbert Grönemeyer, Helene Fischer, Cro, Rammstein, Robin Schulz, Udo Lindenberg, Die Toten Hosen, Andreas Bourani, AnnenMayKantereit and Silbermond as well as international acts such as Depeche Mode, Robbie Williams, Adele, Lady Gaga, Coldplay, Pink Floyd, David Guetta, Rag’n’Bone Man and many more.