

NEW U.K.-SPAIN CO-PRODUCTION IN THE WORKS



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The London-based indie producer Nevision and Barcelona-based Diagonal TV are working together on a high-end crime thriller, *The Barcelona Connection*.

Set in Spain, the six-part series centers on a politically inspired kidnapping that coincides with the city hosting its first G20. The fast-moving plot intertwines art, murder, politics and the media. It

will be shot in English and Spanish.

Roger Gual, whose film *7 Años* recently premiered as the first Netflix original movie in Spanish, is attached as director. British scriptwriter Alan Whiting, whose credits include *The Trials of Jimmy Rose* and *Kingdom*, is writing the script.

The series is based on *The Barcelona Connection*, the new crime novel from Tim Parfitt, former head of Condé Nast in Spain and Grupo Planeta's magazine division in Barcelona.

James Cabourne, executive chairman of Nevision, said: "One of our aims as a producer is to create European drama that will resonate with a global audience. *The Barcelona Connection* brings together an award-winning director with the incredible writing talent of Alan and Tim. Combined with a thrilling plot we are confident that this will attract the attention of international broadcasters."

Albert Sagalés, the head of co-productions and executive producer at Diagonal TV, added: "Teaming with Nevision on a project like *The Barcelona Connection* represents a valuable opportunity for us to enhance our presence in the international TV drama market. We look forward to bringing to the project Diagonal TV's experience in adaptation from novel to screen."