Ein Augenblick Freiheit (For a Moment, Freedom)

Arash T. Riahi
France
Austria
110 min
2009

Synopsis:

Fast-moving and packed with action, "For a Moment Freedom" tells of the odyssey of three Iranian/Kurdish groups of refugees: a married couple with a child, two young men with two children, and two men who are friends despite the differences between them. They have all managed to escape from Iran and Iraq, but now they are stuck in the Turkish capital; although freedom is at last almost within their grasp, first they have to wait in a dubious hotel, hoping each day that their applications for asylum will be approved. This enforced break in their journey towards independence is characterised by both hope and utter uncertainty. The young Austrian-Iranian filmmaker Arash T. Riahi depicts the plight of people trying to flee their homeland and the curious, transitory state of asylum-seekers with tragic comedy and great suspense.

Screenplay: Arash T. Riahi
Cinematography: Michi Riebel
Editing: Karina Ressler
Music: Karuan
Art direction: Christoph Kanter

Costumes: Monika Buttinger

**Cast:** Navíd Akhavan (Ali), Pourya Mahyari (Mehrdad), Erika Bozorgi (Azy), Sina Saba (Arman), Payam Madjlessi (Hassan), Behi Djanati Atai (Lale), Kian Khalili (Kamran), Kamran Rad (Kian), Said Oveissi (Abbas), Fares Fares (Manu), Ezgi Asaroglu (Jasmin), Toufan Manoutcheri (Mother of Asy und Arman), Michael Niavarani (Father of Asy und Arman), Soussan Azarin (Grandmother), Muhammed Cangören (Grandfather)

Producer: Veit Heiduschka, Michael Katz, Margaret Menegoz

**Production:** Wega Film [2]

**Distribution:** Filmladen [3], Les Films du Losange (FR) [4], Film Kino Text (DE)

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