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"THE DOUBLE HOUR" (La Doppia Ora), RELEASES APRIL 3 ON DIGITAL AND DVD

"The best movie of its kind since *Tell No One...* Hitchcockian... you don't want it to end."

—The New York Times

"Charismatic, nuanced performances that give an emotional resonance far beyond the surprise twists." – Wall Street Journal

"A suave, elliptically drawn neo-noir." - Movieline

February 16, 2012 – New York, New York – Nothing is what it seems in Giuseppe Capotondi's Italian thriller, *THE DOUBLE HOUR*. Guido (Filippo Timi, *Vincere*), a former cop, is a luckless veteran of the speed-dating scene in Turin. But, much to his surprise, he meets Slovenian immigrant Sonia (Ksenia Rappoport), a chambermaid at a high-end hotel. The two hit it off and a passionate romance develops. After they leave the city for a romantic getaway in the country, things suddenly take a dark turn. As Sonia's murky past resurfaces, her reality starts to crumble. Everything in her life begins to change—questions arise and answers only arrive through a continuous twist and turn of events keeping viewers on edge until the film's final moments.

At once a stark romance, a psychological thriller, and a story about possibilities, **THE DOUBLE HOUR** releases April 3 on DVD and digital platforms. The film had its world premiere at the
2009 Venice Film Festival, where Ksenia Rappoport won the best actress prize. Following a

terrific reception there, the film went on to play the Toronto International Film Festival. *THE DOUBLE HOUR* has generated more than \$1.5 million in U.S. box office. *THE DOUBLE HOUR* is a *New York Times* Critics' Pick and rates 95% "certified fresh" with top film critics nationwide on *Rotten Tomatoes. The Hollywood Reporter* recently reported an American version of the film in the works to be written and directed by Joshua Marsten (*Maria Full of Grace*) and produced by Roy Lee (*The Departed, The Ring*) and Nicola Giuliano, the latter of whom was a producer of the Italian version.

Says Capotondi about his first feature film, "This film is about forgiveness and the capacity for forgiving yourself, all in the shape of a mystery. I was influenced by Italian film noir, or giallo, of the 70's and 80's, like the work of Dario Argento and Mario Bava. But, it also incorporates influences from Japanese horror. I was very interested in putting that on film: keeping in mind the Italian tradition but also looking for other inspiration."

THE DOUBLE HOUR also stars Antonia Truppo, Gaetano Bruno, Fausto Russo Alesi, and Michele Di Mauro; Giuseppe Capotondi, director; written by Alessandro Fabbri, Ludovica Rampoldi and Stefano Sardo; Tat Radcliffe, cinematographer; Guido Notari (A.M.C.), editor; Carlotta Calori, associate producer; Nicola Giuliano and Francesca Cima, producers; Viola Prestieri, executive producer; original music by Pasquale Catalano.

Pricing: \$29.95 SRP

Runtime: 96 minutes, plus extras

Rating: N/A

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Language: Italian, with English subtitles

Color: Color

Audio: Dolby Digital 2.0 Stereo
Genre: World Cinema, Suspense

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