

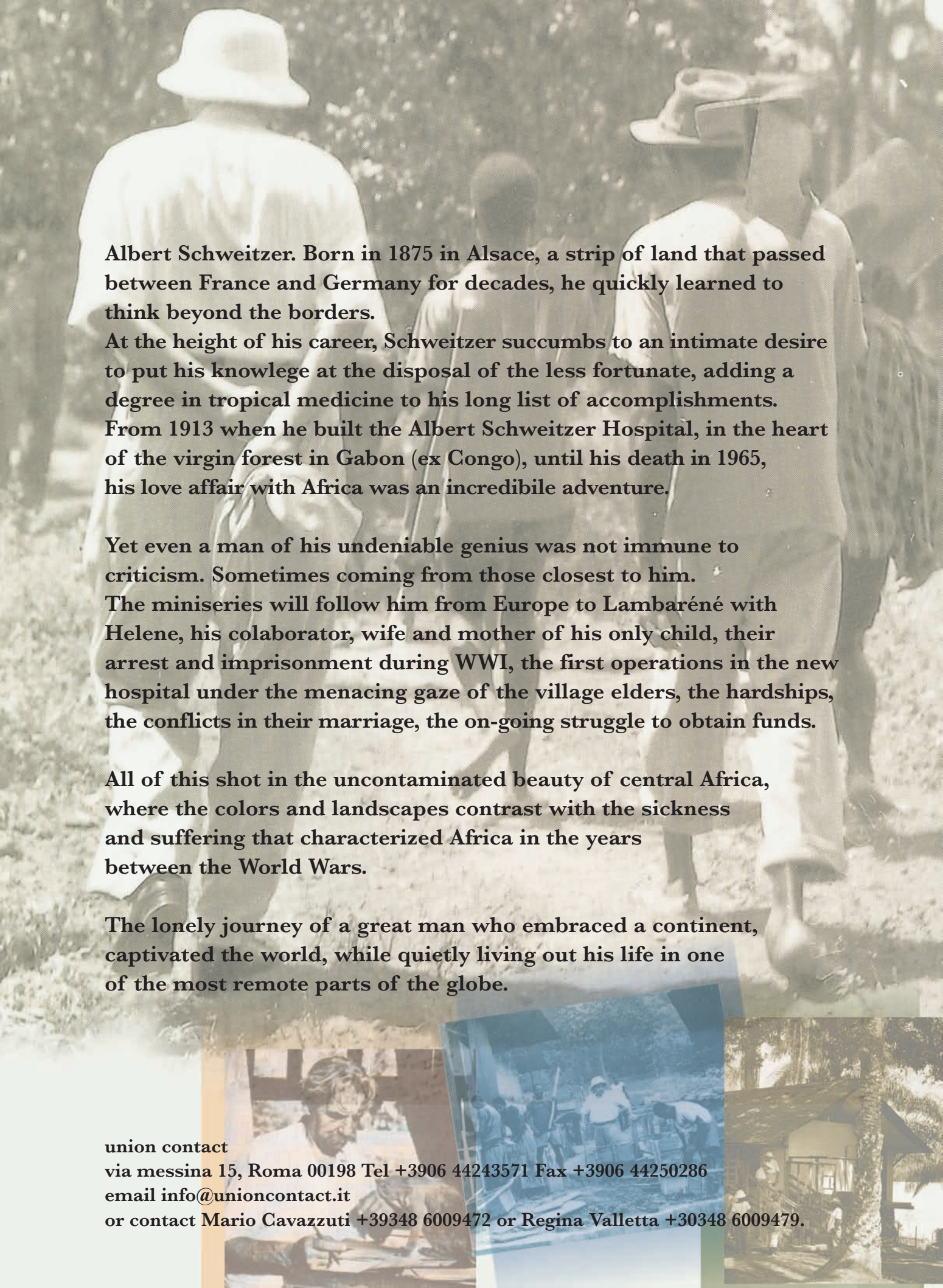
# Schweitzer: The Man The Myth

Movie for TV in two episodes x 100 minutes on one of the greatest men of the Twentieth century." Albert Schweitzer, the GREAT WHITE DOCTOR.

Much has been written about Schweitzer: Protestant pastor, philanthropist, professor, of Theology, author, accomplished organist, medical doctor, Nobel prize winner. This dramatization, while following the factual account of journalist Floriana Mastandrea's book "The Other Africa", will give us a new look at this legendary figure. It will reveal the human side of Albert Schweitzer, the loneliness that often accompanies greatness.

On the occasion of the 40th anniversary of Albert Schweitzer's death, RAI Fiction has expressed interest in co-producing the project with valid international partners.





**Albert Schweitzer. Born in 1875 in Alsace, a strip of land that passed between France and Germany for decades, he quickly learned to think beyond the borders.**

**At the height of his career, Schweitzer succumbs to an intimate desire to put his knowledge at the disposal of the less fortunate, adding a degree in tropical medicine to his long list of accomplishments. From 1913 when he built the Albert Schweitzer Hospital, in the heart of the virgin forest in Gabon (ex Congo), until his death in 1965, his love affair with Africa was an incredible adventure.**

**Yet even a man of his undeniable genius was not immune to criticism. Sometimes coming from those closest to him. The miseries will follow him from Europe to Lambaréné with Helene, his collaborator, wife and mother of his only child, their arrest and imprisonment during WWI, the first operations in the new hospital under the menacing gaze of the village elders, the hardships, the conflicts in their marriage, the on-going struggle to obtain funds.**

**All of this shot in the uncontaminated beauty of central Africa, where the colors and landscapes contrast with the sickness and suffering that characterized Africa in the years between the World Wars.**

**The lonely journey of a great man who embraced a continent, captivated the world, while quietly living out his life in one of the most remote parts of the globe.**

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