



# Media freedom and independence: Trends and challenges in Europe





*"Need for more outcome-based as well as principles-based regulation rather than command and control regulation."*





*"Need for openness, transparency and accountability in all aspects of media policy."*





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*"Media outlets often serve as vehicles through which powerful groups, individuals and corporate bodies pursue their private, commercial or political interests."*





*"Pan-european coordination of regulatory approaches, use of soft law and exchanges of best practices seem key to a more integrated single market."*



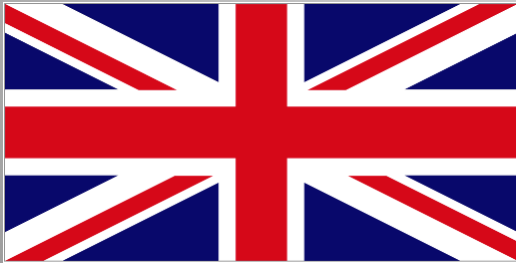


*"The regulatory capacity of both public and private regulators should be strengthened, given the emerging complexity of the value chains that support media production and distribution in the EU and at the global level."*





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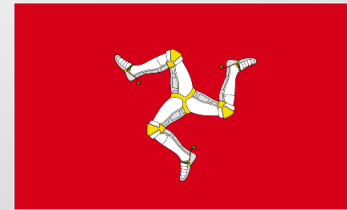
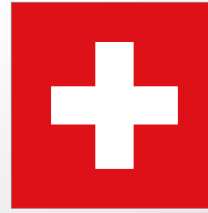




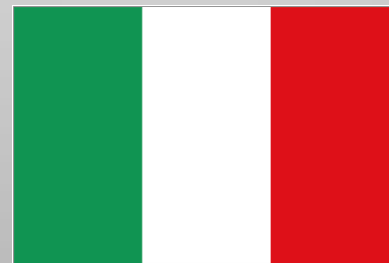


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## 1. BEREC ?





## *2. Contact Committee ?*





### 3. DG CONNECT ?

*"The lack of a body that is in charge of achieving a degree of coordination, for example by issuing guidelines on requirements for regulatory legitimacy and supervising compliance, is a relevant issue in the European regulatory framework."*





#### 4. EPRA ?

*"In the context of PSM, homogenization is still a very distant prospect and that marked differences, noted in political, cultural and economic circumstances, remain in evidence."*





*"Independent regulatory authorities, regardless the width of their remit, should be provided with sufficient regulatory powers vis-à-vis State bodies.*

*At the same time, the independence of their members should be ensured."*





*"The broadcast systems – with regulations, regulators and common playing rules – have benefitted clearly from the EU influence, as it imposed the creation of certain institutions, delivering a standard set of services in an independent manner".*





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