

39th EPRA meeting

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WG I – Empowering Users – Focus on Media Literacy

A Glimpse at the work of the German Media Authorities

Agenda



-))) Background information on legal framework
-))) How we understand media literacy (ML)
- Workfields of the media authorities (MA) regarding ML
-))) Examples for our ML-work
-))) Trends



Background information – regulatory landscape

11 14 MAs, 1 joint office, 14 media laws/ treaties (broadcasters on "Länder" level & MAs) & 1 Interstate Broadcasting Treaty (RStV) (national broadcasters & cooperation of MAs)





How we understand ML - legal definition?

-))) RStV: no regulations on ML
- media laws/treaties of the "Länder": some contain provisions on ML, others do not
- → no consistent/homogenous definition of ML



How we understand ML

-))) our understanding of "ML" is influenced by 4 dimensions:
 -)) media critiscm,
 -)) media understanding,
 -)) media use
 -)) & media production.



Our "workfields" regarding ML

- **)))** research
- information offers / materials, e.g. on the internet (p.e. www.internet-abc.de, www.klicksafe.de), smartphones (www.handysektor.de), peer-to-peer support (www.juuuport.de), TV (www.flimmo.de), radio (www.edura.fm)
-))) projects/ trainings for kids, parents & educators ...
- community media & campus radio/TV
-))) education & training for media professionals
- further information: http://www.die-medienanstalten.de/themen/medienkompetenz.html





-))) platform to support children on their way into/through www
-))) two target groups two sections:
 -)) kids' section for children from 5 to 12: http://www.internet-abc.de/kinder/
 -)) adults 'section for parents and educators:

http://www.internet-abc.de/eltern/



kids' section:

- **)))** "knowing how it works" modules:
 -)) how the internet works
 -)) beware
 -)) web media use
 -)) own web activities
-))) & more





parents'& educators'section:

-)))knowing how it works: basic online knowledge for parents & educators
- showing how it's done: auxiliary material & teaching aids





supplemented by local courses, cooperations with schools, information materials & other activities





Examples for our ML-work FLIMMO

- kids-TV-programme guide for parents & guardians
-))) provides
 -)) reviews of child-related & adult-TV-programmes which are likely popular with 3 to 13-year-olds
 -)) articles on media education topics
 -)) regular surveys on childrens' viewing preferences & ratings
 -)) reviews for other media (internet, dvds, motion pictures, audios, games etc.)



Examples for our ML-work FLIMMO

-))) evaluation is based on:
 -)) how children deal with content
 -)) how they are likely to process what they see according to their age
 -)) childs perspective & preferences
-))) categories:
 -)) "a hit with kids" ("Kinder finden's prima")
 -)) "problematic in parts" ("mit Ecken & Kanten" Trick- und Bildgeschichten sowie die lustigen Episoden mit der Maus und
 -)) "not for kids" ("Nicht für Kinder")

Die Sendung mit der Maus

Magazin,
ARD, So; KI.KA, So, Mo
Anregende Sachgeschichten bieten
Wissenswertes aus dem Alltag und
beantworten viele Warum-Fragen von
Kindern. Eine bunte Mischung aus
Trick- und Bildgeschichten sowie die
lustigen Episoden mit der Maus und
ihren Tierfreunden sorgen für Spaß
und Abwechslung.

Besonders beliebt bei 3 – 10-Jährigen



Examples for our ML-work

FLIMMO

FLIMMO is available

-)) internet (<u>www.flimmo.de</u>)
-)) app
-)) brochure
-)) social communities Facebook & Google+







Trends



-))) media technologies:
 -)) mobile devices enable ubiquitious & easier access to internet
-))) media use:
 -)) starts at earlier age
 - high coverage of mobile devices
-))) ML:
 -)) since 2008 ML is part of formal education
 - senior citizens came into focus of ML
- **ML** projects:
 - increased funding
 - increased number of projects



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