

# Self- and co-regulatory initiatives in the Netherlands

## Contribution to WG I: Empowering users: Focus on protection tools

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# Program

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# 1. Legal framework Dutch Media Act 2008



# Linear media content

Rules that apply to both public service and private media:

- Seriously harmful programs: absolute forbidden (directly supervised by CvdM)
- Harmful programs: only allowed if broadcaster joins an officially acknowledged classification organization

# Non-linear media content



Rules that apply to public service media :

- Seriously harmful video's: absolute forbidden (directly supervised by CvdM)
- Harmful video's: only allowed if an officially acknowledged classification organization is joined

Rules that apply to private media:

- Seriously harmful video's: only made available in such a way as to ensure that minors will not normally hear or see them
- No rules regarding harmful video's

# NICAM

- Public service media, and private media that intent to broadcast linear audio-visual content, are obliged to be a member of and obey to regulations of Netherlands Institute for Classification of Audiovisual Media = NICAM ([www.kijkwijzer.nl](http://www.kijkwijzer.nl))
- Strong incentive for self-regulation: Those which are not affiliated with NICAM can only broadcast programs for all ages and are directly supervised by the Dutch media authority CvdM



## 2. Kijkwijzer



# System of Kijkwijzer

- Broadcasters and other parties classify their products according Kijkwijzer criteria to inform parents and audience about content and age
- Age ratings



- Content descriptors



# Spuiten en Slikken

BNN

Favoriet Delen

Spuiten En Slikken



Voor deze aflevering geldt een leeftijdsbeperking. De aflevering kan alleen tussen 22:00 uur en 06:00 uur bekeken worden.

Alles wat je wil weten over seks en drugs, maar nooit durfde te vragen), dat zie je nu in Spuiten en Slikken in de studio.

Zo 7 sep 2014 22:09 45 min 24 sec  
Informatief BNN  
Volgende uitzending: 25 okt 2014 22:10 op NPO 3

Age rating icons: 16

Beeld vergroten Instellingen

Naar de website

Bekijk op plus

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Alle afleveringen

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Spuiten En Slikken (BNN)  
Zo 28 sep · 22:14 · 46 min
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Spuiten En Slikken (BNN)  
Zo 21 sep · 22:11 · 46 min
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Spuiten En Slikken (BNN)  
Zo 14 sep · 22:11 · 45 min

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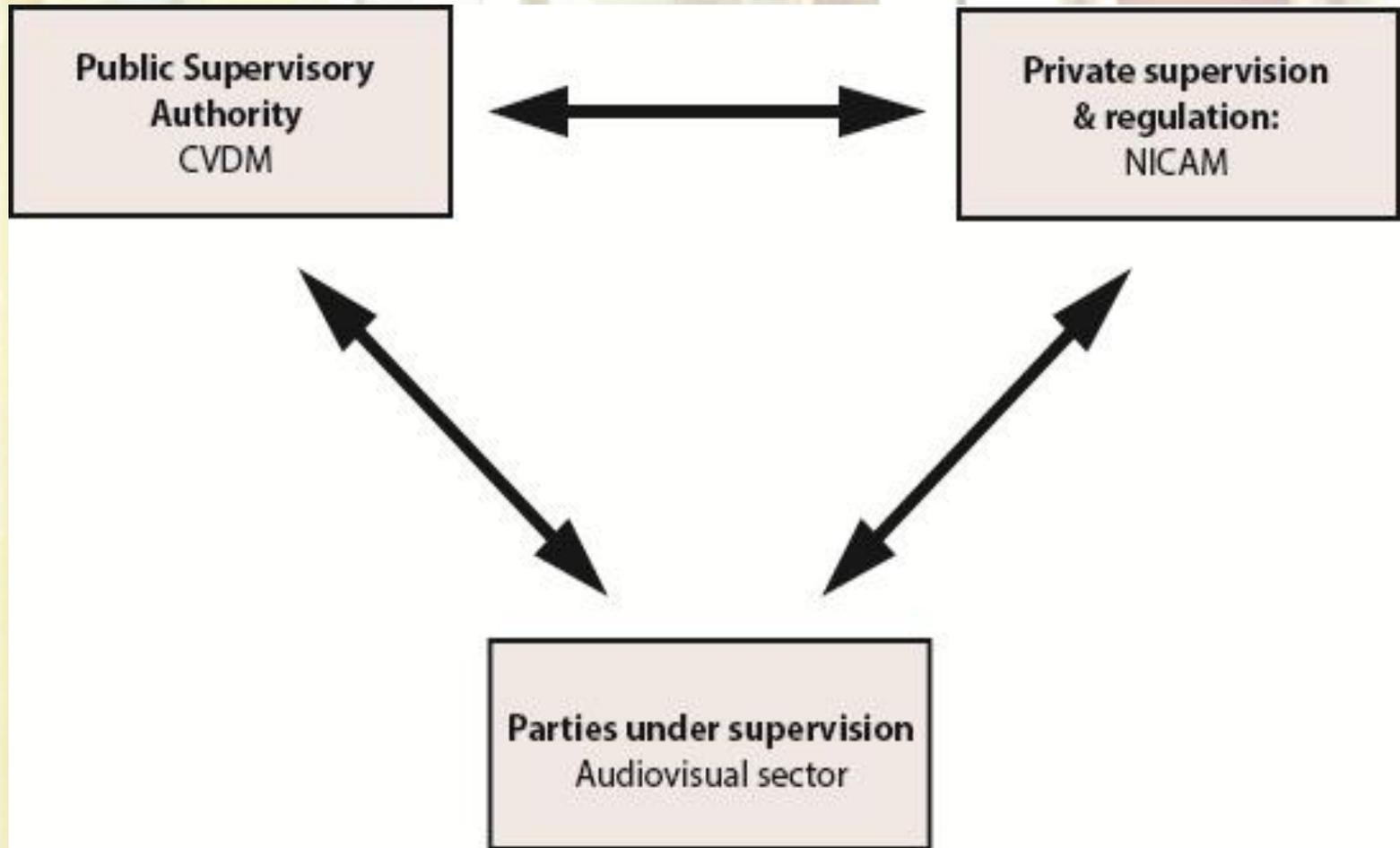
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Uitzending Gemist

Uitgelicht



# Kijkwijzers' co-regulatory design



### 3. Voluntary initiatives by industry



# Compliance to Kijkwijzer

- Public service broadcasters
- Private broadcasters
- Film distributors
- Cinema operators
- Producers, importers and retailers of DVD, video and games

## Recent developments

- 2012: agreement with HBO
- 2013: agreement with VodNed
- 2014: agreement with Netflix NL



# You Rate It

- International qualification Tool
- Rating of User Generated Content (UGC)
- Introduced by the British Board of Film Classifications (BBFC) and NICAM
- Simple uniform tool to qualify UGC on UGC platforms on the basis of the answer to several simple questions
- Ratings can differ from country to country to reflect different national sensitivities and concerns over content.





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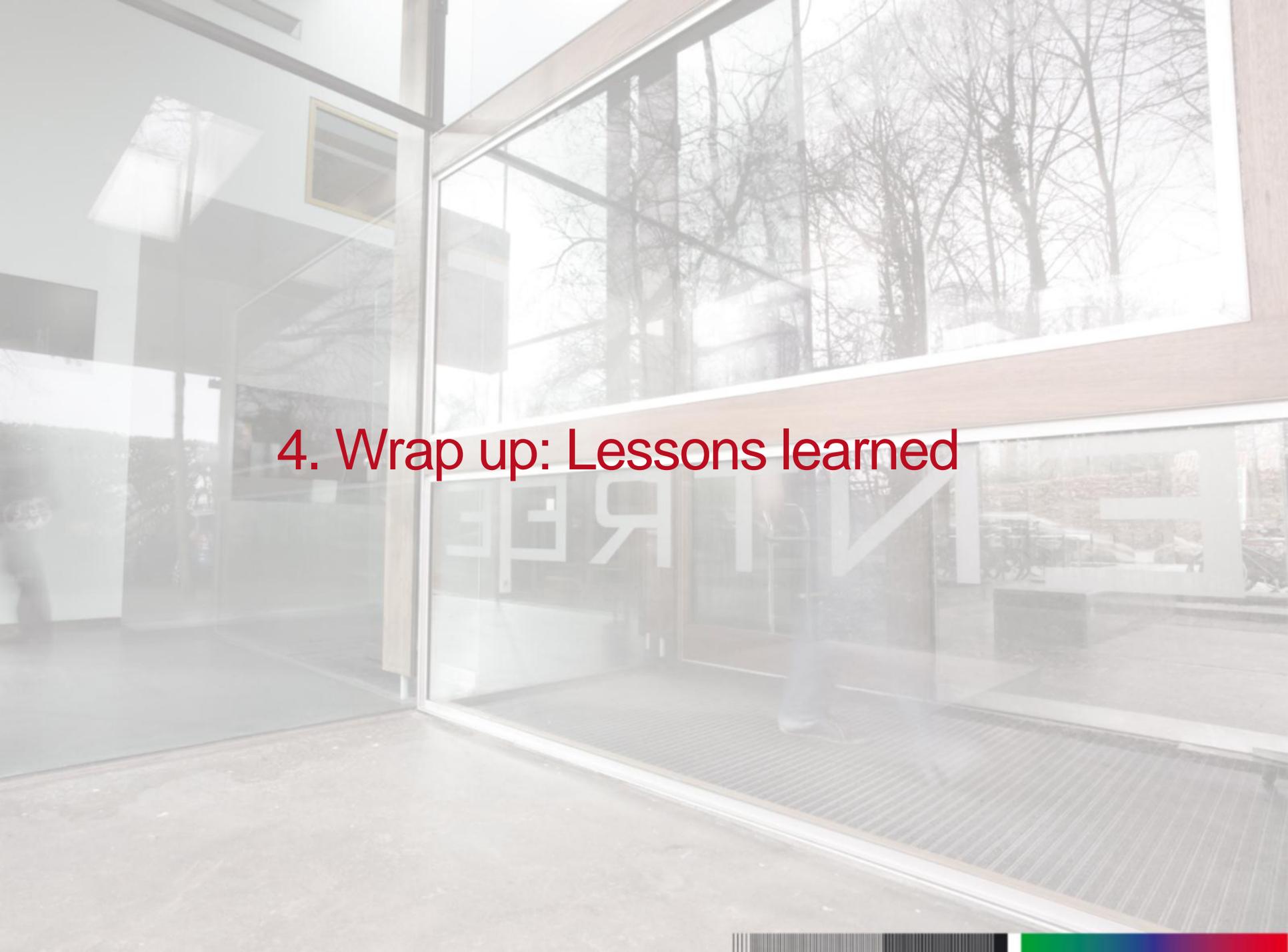
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Love

Classifica

20 utenti hanno classificato questo video: il risultato è "per tutti".

87 likes, 20 per tutti

A photograph of a modern building's glass entrance. The image shows a large glass door and window reflecting the surrounding environment, including trees and a sky. The text "4. Wrap up: Lessons learned" is overlaid in red. The background is a blurred view of a building interior and exterior. The text is centered horizontally and vertically.

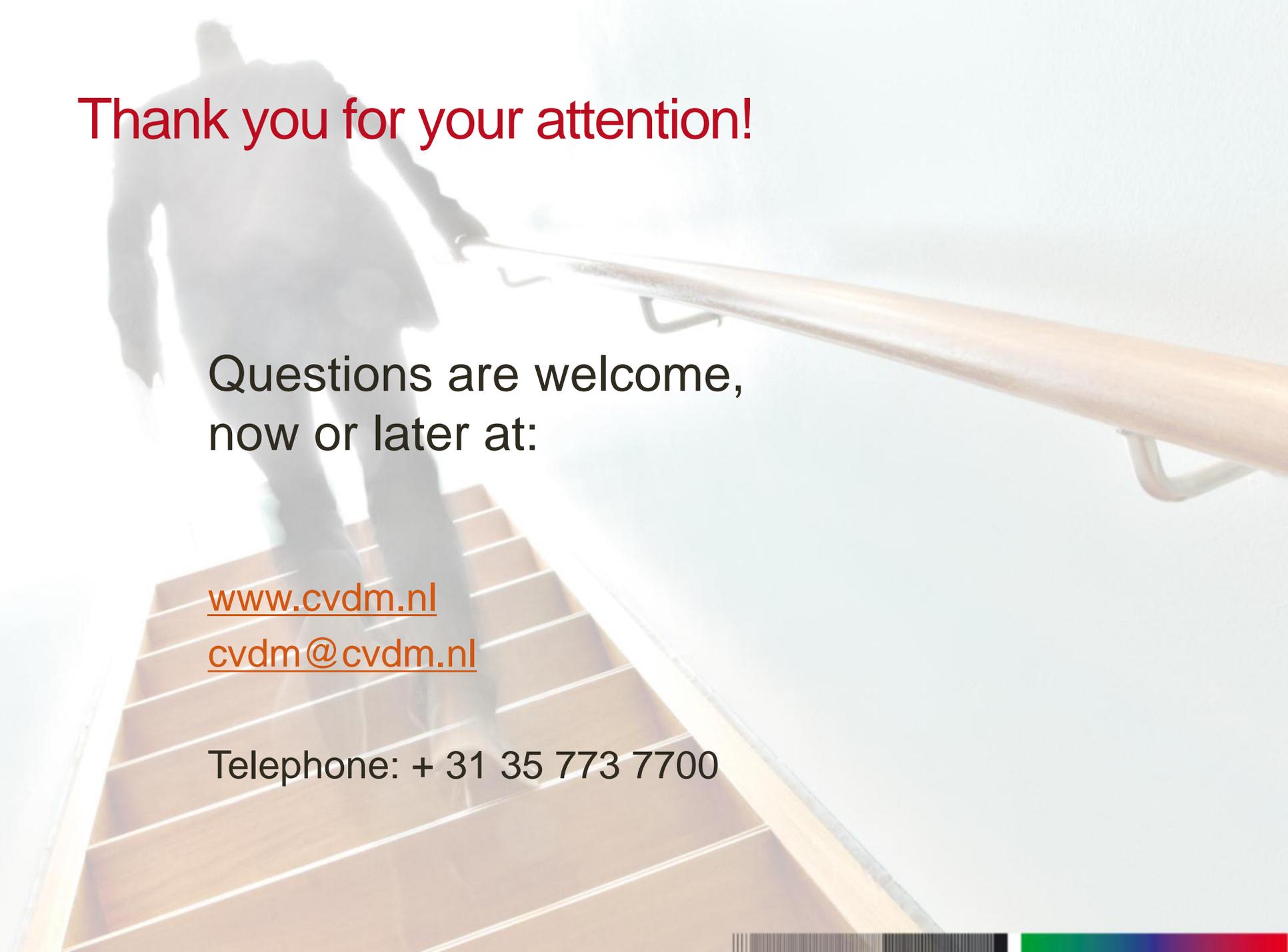
## 4. Wrap up: Lessons learned

# Challenges for pan EU co-regulatory system?

- How can we safeguard freedom of expression?
- How can we get full commitment of the industry?
- How can we obtain the trust of the audience?
- How can we encourage the participation of all EU member states and even outside the EU?
- How can we stimulate a permanent development of the system?

# Requirements for pan EU co-regulatory system?

- Provide constitutional guarantees
- Align public and private interests as much as possible
- Create system of checks and balances
- Arrange for high level of organization and low administrative burden
- Guarantee the basic principles of good-regulation
- Take account of cultural differences build in the system
  - Provide for universal concepts during the classification process
- Arrange for frequent and adequate evaluation



Thank you for your attention!

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