



Election to a vacant position of Vice-Chairperson in the EPRA Executive Board

Official list of candidates

25 April 2018

Elections to a vacant position of Vice Chairperson in the EPRA Executive Board will be held in Luxembourg on **24 May 2018**.

Further to EPRA's [Statutes](#), member authorities were requested to send their nominations, at the latest one month before the election, by 24 April 2018 at the latest.

To be eligible for election, a nominee has to be nominated by at least two separate EPRA members and must have accepted the nomination in writing before the meeting.

Further to the call for nominations, the Secretariat received **nine (9)** valid nominations for one single candidate on behalf of the following authorities: **Communication Regulatory Agency (BA)**, **Federal Office of Communications (CH)**, **Directors Conference of the State Media Authorities (DE)**, **National Communications Commission of Georgia (GE)**, **Agency for Electronic Media of Croatia (HR)**, **Broadcasting Authority of Ireland (IE)**, **Radio and Television Commission of Lithuania (LT)**, **Swedish Press and Broadcasting Authority (SE)**, **Council for Broadcasting and Retransmission of the Slovak Republic (SK)**.



Maria Donde

Head of International Content Policy, [Ofcom](#), United Kingdom

She has formally accepted to stand for election.

Maria works for the UK Office of Communications (Ofcom) as Head of International Content Policy, covering media, content and broadcasting issues. She leads on Ofcom's engagement with other European media regulators, most particularly through EPRA, as well as international bodies, and represents Ofcom on the full range of media policy questions. She oversaw Ofcom's input into the recently concluded negotiations on the AVMS Directive and manages its relationship with the European Commission on matters relating to the Directive.

Maria has been actively involved in the work of the EPRA network for the last six years, having acted as content producer for several working groups and plenary sessions. She directly supported Monica Arino during her time as EPRA Board Member and was responsible for Ofcom's hosting of EPRA in Edinburgh in 2017.

Her regulatory background is in advertising, having spent four years at the Advertising Standards Authority before joining Ofcom's Broadcasting Standards department. Prior to that, she worked in media analysis, and before that as a radio producer for the BBC World Service. She has a Modern Languages degree from Cambridge University and a Masters degree in Literary Translation.