



MONTENEGRO

Name of Regulatory Authority: Agency for Electronic Media / Agencija za elektronske medije
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Basis for operation

Legal framework: Law on Electronic Media, Statute of the Agency for Electronic Media

General remit: TV broadcasting radio broadcasting telecommunications
Funding mechanism: licence fee industry fee state budget
 mixed funding (please specify):
 other (please specify):

Composition

Number of members: 5 Council members + Director Term of office: 5 years Re-election possible:

Proposal of members of the Council: *Designated subjects by the Law on Electronic Media:*
1) *Universities, one member;*
2) *Non-governmental organizations for protection of human rights and freedoms, one member;*
3) *Non-governmental organizations in the field of media, one member,*
4) *Montenegrin P.E.N. Centre, one member*
5) *Associations of commercial broadcasters, one member.*

Appointment of members: *Parliament of Montenegro appoints and dismisses the Council members*

Revocation of mandate possible:
based on: 1) *it is established that, on the occasion of submission of the proposal for appointment, he/she submitted inaccurate personal data or omitted to reveal the data or circumstances that are of relevance for the possible appointment;*
2) *he/she fails to attend sessions and meetings of the Council for the period longer than six months;*
3) *it is established that, during the term of the Council, any of the circumstances referred to in the Article 16 of this Law occurred;*
4) *because of illness, on the basis of results of a competent medical institution, he/she is not able to perform duty of the Council Member for the period longer than 6 (six) months.*

Number of staff: 17 full-time (including director) + 3 part time staff
 Chairman of the Agency for Electronic Media Council: Mr. Ranko Vujovic
 Director of the Agency: Goran Vuković

Competences

		national	regional	local
Granting of licences (authorisations)	terrestrial analogue broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	terrestrial digital broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	satellite analogue broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	satellite digital broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	cable analogue broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	cable digital broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	others(please specify): in the areas where your authority is not competent to grant licences, please specify the authority in charge: Please add any other relevant information: Agency for Electronic Media issues authorizations for a service and content provider.			
	Based on our authorization (issued after the tender procedure), the national regulatory authority for electronic communication (Agency for Electronic Communications and Postal Services) grants rights of use for radio frequencies.			
Granting of registrations	terrestrial analogue broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	terrestrial digital broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	satellite analogue broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	satellite digital broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	cable analogue broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	cable digital broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	others(please specify):	✓	✓	✓
	in the areas where your authority is not competent to grant registrations, please specify the authority in charge: Please add any other relevant information:			
Frequency allocation	Agency for Electronic Media is a competent body for broadcasting frequencies' assignments. Agency for Electronic Communications and Postal Services is a competent body for adoption of the Broadcasting Frequencies Allocation Plan			
Supervision of	private broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	public broadcasters	✓	✓	✓
	others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Handling complaints	✓			
Sanctioning	✓ issue warning	✓ impose minimal fines	✓ demand to broadcast announcement	
	✓ revoke authorization	✓ suspend authorization	✓ Initiates court procedure for imposing higher fines in cases of infringement of the law	
	✓ suspend a programme / broadcast			
	<input type="checkbox"/> other (please specify):			

- Rule making ✓ codes ✓ rules (please specify): program and commercial AV communications standards, EU works and Independent producers works quotas rules, major events and right to short reports rules,...
- other (please specify):
- Consultative powers ✓ Cooperation with the Agency for Electronic Communications and Postal Services
Power of nomination ✓ Agency for Electronic Media Council nominates the Director of the Agency for Electronic Media
(e.g. chairman of
PSB)
- Monitoring ✓ programming
 financial performance
 ✓ others (please specify): copyright and neighbouring rights
- others Please specify:
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