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About ACT

The Association of Commercial Television in Europe (ACT) is a trade body for the commercial broadcasting sector in Europe. Formed in 1989, the ACT has 27 member companies active in 37 European countries, operating and distributing several thousand free-to-air and pay-tv channels and new media services.

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Marianne Ostrat, Estonian film producer

Since 6 May, one of the hottest debates in Brussels is linked to the Digital Single Market. After the official launch of the strategy by the European Commission, the pressure is now put on the European Parliament who is already writing its own report on this. As always, the outcome will not be beneficial for everyone, moreover we fear that in some cases, especially in the case of small EU member states and less-widely spoken languages it may be possibly even detrimental. Therefore, we are sharing the view of an Estonian film producer, **Marianne Ostrat** on these effects with you, in which she is especially focusing on films, videos on demand and the audio-visual sector in general.

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AVMS public consultation is open



The European Commission opened the public consultation on AVMS at the beginning of the summer, more precisely on 7 July.

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ACT reaction to the Reda Report



German Pirate MEP Julia Reda's own initiative report on the Implementation of the Infosoc Directive was adopted in the last plenary sitting before the August recess of the European Parliament.

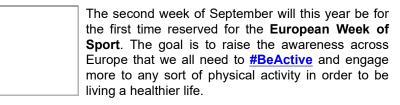
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Creativity Works! coalition organises a high level conference on the Future of the Creative & Cultural Industries



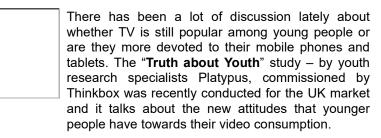
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ITV wins Sustainability and Inspiring Young Talent Award and becomes the first Living Wage broadcaster

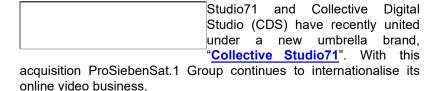


ITV's Work <u>Inspiration scheme</u>, which is intended to raise young people's awareness of opportunities within the television industry, were national finalists and regional winners of the

Business in the Community's Inspiring Young Talent Award.

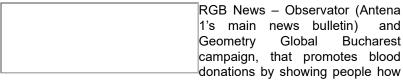
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ProSiebenSat.1 founds global multichannel network, "Collective Studio71"



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The Romanian news bulletin Observator wins four awards in Cannes, Antena 3 launches its daily news bulletin in English



life would literally be without red, **received four awards at Cannes Lions Festival** (Gold at PR Lions and Silver & Bronze in Media Lions, Silver in Promo & Activation). It also received the "Care Awards" distinction from the European Communications Agencies Union.

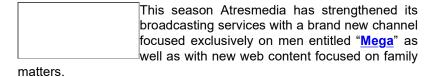
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MTG to make major investment in the world's largest Esports company (ESL) and is currently producing the first Franco-Swedish co-production

MTG has signed an agreement to acquire 74% of
Turtle Entertainment, the world's largest esport
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Sky Launches Pan-European Arts Initiative and teams up with Monument Valley game-

maker for kids TV app



Sky is about to launch a major <u>initiative</u> to bring the best of the arts to its customers across Italy, Germany, Austria, Ireland and the UK. It will focus on the production of pan-European events that unite an international audience in a unique way and

will produce even more top-quality arts programming.

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Canal + group expands its subscribers interactive experience

The creative innovation division of Canal+Group recently launched a new service next to the existing **MyCanal**, called **Cube S**, adding the third one in autumn which will be named **SUGGEST**. In this way, the

company is adapting to fast changing technology trends and offers extended subscribers' experiences, online and offline.

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In April 2015, RTL Group published its Annual Report 2014. Committed to meeting the changing needs of its audience, in addition to the print version, RTL Group's Annual Report is now also available as a fully interactive online

report, allowing readers to interact directly with its content and access it anytime, anywhere.

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ANTENNA Group expands to the South Eastern Europe and increase its presence in Greece

ANTENNA Group, has strengthened its position in the market thanks to the acquirement of the B92 assets which broadcast in South Eastern Europe. ANT1TV, member of the ANTENNA Group, has finished this season with the most complete programme of recent years and it has secured exclusive rights for this season's Eurobasket.

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TVI, the leading FTA TV channel in Portugal, launched TVI Player – www.tviplayer.iol.pt – a platform that allows viewers to watch TVI's channels and programmes whenever and

wherever they are, whether in Portugal or abroad.

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Mediaset signs strategic agreements for multiplatform distribution

Mediaset has finalised a series of contracts to make its offer available on different platforms proving the quality and attractiveness of Mediaset's exclusive content.

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