

What's happening in European Commercial Broadcasting 1-5 June 2020

Policy & business developments go hand in hand. This quick snapshot is designed to help EU media stakeholders to keep up with the innovative world of commercial broadcasting.

- AMC Networks Launches Campaign to Support Advertisers and Media Agencies
- NENT Group launches Norwegian drama-comedy 'Suck It Up' as next original production
- RTL Group: Safe homes for women
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AMC Networks Launches Campaign to Support Advertisers and Media Agencies

AMC Networks presents, in its fourteen channels, a campaign to recognise the fundamental role of brands, advertisers and media agencies within the audiovisual industry and reactivate the advertising sector at the moment.



NENT Group launches Norwegian drama-comedy 'Suck It Up' as next original production

Families, frustration and fulfilment are the themes of Norwegian drama-comedy `Suck It Up', which is the next original series from Nordic Entertainment Group (NENT Group). Created, written by and starring award-winning Norwegian actress Henriette Steenstrup, the six-part show will premiere exclusively across the Nordic region on NENT Group's Viaplay streaming service in 2021.



RTL Group: Safe homes for women

UFA and the agency Die Botschaft in cooperation with the Bertelsmann Content Alliance and Natalia Wörner are launching a campaign to fight domestic violence against women. Domestic violence against women is a crime that is committed worldwide and has been further exacerbated by the measures instituted to contain the coronavirus. The #sicherheim (#safehome) initiative is calling attention to the problem and actively combating violence against women.





Sky News to debate how the world will change after COVID-19

Sky News has announced a new series of debate programmes titled 'After The Pandemic: Our New World', the first "The World At Large' aired on 1 June. The one-off series will look at what the world could look like post COVID-19. The debate format will involve experts from around the world and Sky News viewers asking questions about how the pandemic could change their environment.

VIACOMCBS

<u>ViacomCBS Networks Channels Ran 8:46 Seconds of Breathing Sounds in Honor of George</u> Floyd

ViacomCBS Networks channels went dark for nearly nine minutes, at 5 p.m. on 1 June, to make a very poignant statement. The channels cut to a black screen with the word, "I Can't Breathe" on it and a timer that counted down from 8:46. That was the amount of time a white police officer used his knee to kneel on the neck of black Minnesota resident George Floyd, whose death in police custody has set off a week of demonstrations across the country and the world as part of a movement to fight police brutality against black and brown men and women.



The Walt Disney Company EMEA Celebrates Pride Month 2020

Disney EMEA are honouring Pride Month 2020 with a range of activity including a brand new product range available across key European markets, with donations being made to LGBT+ charities across the region.



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